

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 111.

STATE OF MAINE.

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND NINETY-FIVE.**

AN ACT creating the Rangeley Village Corporation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. The territory embraced within the following limits and situate in the town of Rangeley and county of Franklin, is hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of Rangeley Village Corporation to wit: All of lots numbered five, six and nine in the town of Rangeley on the easterly boundary thereof and all of lots numbered seven and eight laying westerly of lots six and nine, excepting therefrom however so much of said lot numbered seven as is now owned or occupied by George W. Heath and James Snowman and so much of lot numbered eight as is now owned or occupied by James Snowman and F. H. Philbrick.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose to raise

3 such sums of money by assessment or loans as may be
4 sufficient for the support of a suitable number of hydrants,
5 in case water is brought into its limits in a suitable man-
6 ner and in sufficient quantity and suitable fire engines,
7 engine houses, hose, buckets, hooks and ladders, and pro-
8 vide a sufficient quantity of water in the different parts of
9 the corporation for the extinguishment of fire, and for the
10 organizing and maintaining within its limits an efficient
11 fire department; to erect and maintain lamp posts and
12 lamps and provide for lighting the streets within the
13 limits of said corporation, and to make contracts with any
14 persons or corporations for said purposes, and it may
15 authorize its assessors to make such contracts, which
16 shall be binding on said corporation, and no money shall
17 be raised for any other purpose except as above specified.

SECT. 3. Any money raised by said corporation for the
2 purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property
3 and polls within the territory, by the assessors of said
4 corporation in the same manner as is provided by law for
5 the assessment of county and town taxes, and said assess-
6 ors may copy the last valuation of said property by the
7 assessors of the town of Rangeley, and assess the tax
8 thereon, if said corporation shall so direct, and may abate
9 any tax by them so assessed, the tax on polls not to
10 exceed the sum of one dollar to any one person in one
11 year.

SECT. 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the assess-
2 ors of said corporation by the clerk thereof, of the amount
3 of money raised at any meeting for the purposes aforesaid
4 it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be,
5 to assess said amount upon the polls and estates of the
6 persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the

7 estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and lists of
8 the assessments so made, to certify and deliver to the col-
9 lector, whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like
10 manner as county and town taxes are by law collected by
11 towns, and to pay over the same to the treasurer of said
12 corporation, who shall receive the same and pay it out to
13 order or direction of the corporation, and keep a regular
14 account of all moneys received and paid out, and exhibit
15 the same to the assessors whenever requested; and said
16 corporation shall have the same power to direct the mode
17 of collecting said taxes as towns have in the collection of
18 town taxes.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall consist
2 of a clerk, treasurer, assessors, collector, fire wardens, and
3 such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws
4 of said corporation; and said fire wardens shall have,
5 exclusively, all the power and authority within the limits
6 of said corporation that fire wardens now have, chosen by
7 towns in town meetings.

SECT. 6. Said corporation, at any legal meeting thereof
2 may adopt a code of by-laws for the government of the
3 same, and for the efficient management of the fire depart-
4 ments aforesaid, provided the same are not repugnant to
5 the laws of the state or to this charter.

SECT. 7. All the officers of said corporation shall be
2 chosen by ballot, and sworn to the faithful performance of
3 their duties, the first election to be at the meeting of the
4 legal voters of the corporation, called to accept this charter,
5 and the annual election of officers shall be in the month of
6 March.

SECT. 8. The collector and treasurer shall give bonds
2 in double the amount of tax so raised, to the inhabitants of

3 said corporation which bonds shall be approved by the
4 assessors and clerk.

SECT. 9. J. B. Marble and H. A. Furbush or either of
2 them, are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of
3 said corporation, and to notify the legal voters thereof to
4 meet at some suitable time and place, within the limits
5 aforesaid, by posting up notices in two public places within
6 the limits of said corporation seven days at least before
7 the time of said meeting; and either of said persons are
8 authorized to preside at said meeting until after its organ-
9 ization, and until after a moderator shall be chosen by
10 ballot and sworn, and at all meetings of the corporation,
11 a moderator shall be chosen in the manner, and with same
12 powers as in town meetings.

SECT. 10. All persons liable to be taxed for polls,
2 residing in the limits of said corporation, shall be legal
3 voters at any meeting of said corporation.

SECT. 11. This act shall take effect when approved by
2 the governor, so far as to empower the first meeting of said
3 corporation to be called, and if this charter shall be
4 accepted at said first meeting of said corporation, by a
5 majority of the legal voters of said corporation, then the
6 same shall take and have complete effect in all its parts.
7 But there shall be but one such meeting called in each year
8 for such purpose.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
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W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*