

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 523

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT amending the charter of the city of Rockland.

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

Section eleven, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hun-
2 dred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by inserting after
3 the word "who," in the tenth line of said section, the words
4 'under the control of and subject to the approval of the city
5 council,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 11. The city council shall annually, on the second
7 Monday in March, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient,
8 by ballot in joint convention, elect for the ensuing year the
9 following officers: A city clerk, a city treasurer, a chief of
10 police, who shall be styled the city marshal, and who shall
11 exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of a con-

12 stable, one overseer of the poor, one assessor of taxes, a road
13 commissioner, or in lieu of a road commissioner, a board of
14 road commissioners consisting of three members who, under
15 the control of and subject to the approval of the city council,
16 shall have charge of all the work and expenditures upon the
17 streets, sidewalks and sewers; and when the city council shall
18 by vote decide to elect a board of commissioners as aforesaid
19 they shall be elected, one for three years, one for two years,
20 and one for one year; after the first election one member
21 thereof shall be elected annually; a collector of taxes, and one
22 or more city constables. All said officers and agents shall
23 hold their offices during the ensuing year and until others are
24 elected and qualified in their stead, unless sooner removed by
25 the city council; and all moneys received and collected for
26 and on account of the city by any officer or agent thereof,
27 shall forthwith be paid into the city treasury. The city coun-
28 cil shall take care that moneys shall not be paid from the
29 treasury unless granted or appropriated; shall secure a prompt
30 and just accountability by requiring bonds with sufficient
31 penalties and sureties from all persons trusted with the receipt
32 or custody of public money; shall have the care and superin-
33 tendence of the city public buildings and the custody and
34 management of all city property, with power to let or sell
35 what may be legally let or sold, and to purchase in the name
36 of the city such real or personal property, not exceeding the
37 sum of two hundred thousand dollars, including the property
38 now owned by the city, as they deem of public utility. And
39 the city council shall, as often as once a year, cause to be pub-
40 lished, for the information of the inhabitants, an account of

41 receipts and expenditures and a schedule of the city property,
42 and no money shall be paid from the city treasury unless the
43 same be appropriated by the city council and upon a warrant
44 signed by the mayor, which warrant shall state the appro-
45 priation under which the same is drawn.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 23, 1903.

Reported by Mr. LITTLEFIELD of Rockland, from Committee on the
Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*