

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 569

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Prospect Harbor Village  
Corporation.

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

Section 1. All that part of the town of Gouldsboro  
2 embraced within the following boundaries, viz.: Beginning  
3 at the town line between Winter Harbor and Gouldsboro on  
4 the south line of land owned by the G. W. Stevens estate and  
5 running thence northeasterly along the line on said Stevens  
6 land to shore of Forbe's pond; thence by the shore of said  
7 pond easterly and northerly to the southern line of Calvin  
8 C. Tracy's land, or the old Cobb line; thence easterly along  
9 said Cobb line to the eastern line of land of G. W. Allen;

10 thence southerly along the line of G. W. Allen's land and  
11 land owned by John Bridges to the east shore of Sand bay;  
12 thence to the tide waters by various courses and distances  
13 to the southern corner of land of Charles Blance; thence in  
14 a westerly direction following the southern line of the Pros-  
15 pect Harbor lots to the Winter Harbor town line; thence  
16 northerly along said line to the place of beginning together  
17 with the inhabitants thereon be and the same is hereby  
18 created a board corporate by the name of "Prospect Harbor  
19 Village Corporation" with all the rights and privileges  
20 granted by the laws of the state to similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and vested  
2 with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, or  
3 at its annual meeting, to raise money by taxation, or other-  
4 wise, including the power to issue bonds or notes therefor,  
5 provided the whole amount does not at any one time exceed  
6 five per cent of the assessed valuation of such corporation;  
7 for the purpose of organizing and maintaining within the  
8 limits of said corporation, an efficient fire department; for  
9 the building, purchasing, repairing and maintaining engine  
10 houses, hook and ladder carriage houses and lockups or  
11 police stations; for purchasing, repairing and maintaining  
12 fire engines, hose, ladders, buckets, machines and other  
13 apparatus for the extinguishment and prevention of fire; for  
14 the location, construction and repair of reservoirs and aque-  
15 ducts; for the procuring of water and pumps, pipes, hydrants  
16 and machinery for handling and distributing the same, for

17 building, repairing and maintaining schoolhouses; for build-  
18 ing, repairing and maintaining sidewalks; for building,  
19 repairing and maintaining sewers; for setting out, main-  
20 taining and caring for shade trees; for maintaining and  
21 improving the common lands, for the purchasing and rent-  
22 ing of real estate for any of the above purposes; to pay for  
23 the services of one or more police officers, night watchmen  
24 or any other officers to whom the said corporation may vote  
25 a salary or other compensation; to erect and maintain lamp  
26 posts and lamps, and provide for lighting the streets within  
27 the limits of said corporation; and for school purposes, and  
28 may receive, hold and manage devises, bequests or gifts for  
29 and any of the above purposes.

Sect. 3. For the purpose of building schoolhouses, said  
2 corporation shall have all the powers that towns now have,  
3 for taking land for schoolhouses and play grounds, and the  
4 proper officers of the town of Gouldsboro shall have the same  
5 power in such taking as they would have if it was the town  
6 taking said land, so far as it relates to the locating and  
7 appraising said land, and all such taking shall be governed  
8 by the same laws.

Sect. 4. Any money raised by taxation by said corporation  
2 for the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the prop-  
3 erty 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 assessors  
6 may copy the last valuation of said property by the assessors

7 of the town of Gouldsboro, and assess the taxes thereon, if  
8 said corporation shall so direct, and may abate any tax by  
9 them so assessed; the tax on polls not to exceed the sum of  
10 one dollar to any one person in one year.

Sect. 5. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors  
2 of said corporation by the clerk thereof of the amount of  
3 money raised at any meeting for the purposes aforesaid, it  
4 shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be, to  
5 assess said amount upon the polls and estates of the persons  
6 residing on the territory aforesaid and upon the estates of  
7 non-resident proprietors thereof, and lists of the assessment  
8 so made, to certify and deliver to the collector, whose duty  
9 it shall be to collect the same in like manner as county and  
10 town taxes are by law collected by towns, and pay over the  
11 same to the treasurer of said corporation, who shall receive  
12 the same and pay it out to order or direction of the said  
13 corporation, and keep a regular account of all moneys  
14 received and paid out and exhibit the same to the assessors  
15 whenever requested; and said corporation shall have the  
16 same power to direct the mode of collecting said taxes as  
17 towns have in the collection of town taxes.

Sect. 6. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a  
2 clerk, treasurer, assessors, collector and such other officers  
3 as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation.

Sect. 7. Said corporation at any legal meeting thereof may  
2 adopt a code of by-laws for the government of the same,

3 provided, the said by-laws are not repugnant to the laws of  
4 the state.

Sect. 8. All officers of said corporation shall be chosen by  
2 ballot and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties;  
3 the first election to be at the meeting of the legal voters of  
4 said corporation, at which this charter is accepted, and the  
5 annual election of officers shall be in the month of March.

Sect. 9. The collector shall give bonds in double the  
2 amount of the tax so raised, and the treasurer in such sum  
3 as the assessors direct, which bonds shall be approved by the  
4 assessors and clerk.

Sect. 10. William F. Bruce, Daniel Deasy, Louis P. Cole,  
2 or either of them are hereby authorized to call the first meet-  
3 ing of the said corporation, and to notify the legal voters  
4 thereof to meet at some suitable time and place within the  
5 limits aforesaid, by posting up notices in two public and  
6 conspicuous places within said limits seven days at least  
7 before the time of said meeting; and either of said persons  
8 are authorized to preside at said meeting until after its  
9 organization, and until after a moderator shall have been  
10 chosen by ballot and sworn, and at all meetings of said cor-  
11 poration a moderator shall be chosen in the manner and with  
12 the same powers as in town meetings.

Sect. 11. All persons liable to be taxed for polls residing  
2 in the limits of said corporation, shall be legal voters at any  
3 meeting of said corporation.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved by the  
2 governor, so far as to empower the first meeting of said cor-  
3 poration to be called.

Sect. 13. In the meeting prescribed in section ten of this  
2 act for the first meeting of said corporation, the legal voters  
3 shall vote by ballot on the question of accepting this charter;  
4 and if the majority shall vote in favor of its acceptance then  
5 it shall take effect in all its parts, and the corporation shall  
6 proceed to organize and choose its officers as provided in  
7 section eight of this act. There shall be but one meeting  
8 called each year for the purpose of the acceptance of this  
9 charter.





STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 14, 1907.

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ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*