

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 225

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide for sewerage in the town of Stockton
Springs.

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

Section 1. Simeon B. Merrithew, Albert M. Ames and
2 Ralph H. Rockwood with their associates, successors, or
3 assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the
4 Stockton Springs Sewer Company, for the purpose of pro-
5 viding in the town and village of Stockton Springs, a system
6 of public sewers and drainage, for the comfort, convenience
7 and health of the people of said Stockton Springs with all the
8 rights, privileges and immunities incident to similar corpora-
9 tions.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold real and
2 personal estate, necessary and convenient for the purpose
3 aforesaid, not exceeding in amount fifty thousand dollars;
4 may sell and convey the same; may issue certificates of stock
5 to an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock,
6 and may issue and sell bonds to an amount not exceeding the
7 amount of its capital stock to aid in the construction of
8 works.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take and
2 hold by purchase or otherwise, any land, or real estate or
3 easement therein, necessary for forming basins, reservoirs
4 and outlets; for erecting buildings for pumping works, and
5 for laying and maintaining conduits for carrying and col-
6 lecting, discharging and disposing of sewerage matter and
7 waters and for any other object necessary, convenient and
8 proper for the purpose of this act.

Sect. 4. Said corporation may construct conduits, in man-
2 ner aforesaid, in and through said village of Stockton
3 Springs, to and into the Penobscot river and Stockton har-
4 bor, the discharge therefrom to be at such points as the
5 municipal officers of said town may designate, and convey
6 through the same sewage, surface water and the natural
7 flowage of existing water courses, and secure and maintain
8 basins, reservoirs and outlets; may construct and maintain
9 flush tanks, man holes, lamp holes, and all usual appliances
10 for collecting, holding, distributing, and disposing of sew-
11 erage matter; may establish regulations for the use of sew-

12 ers and fix and collect the prices to be paid for entering the
13 same, and also the annual rental for using thereof; and said
14 corporation is hereby authorized for the purposes aforesaid,
15 under permission of the municipal officers of said town, and
16 under such restrictions and regulations as said municipal
17 officers have prescribed, to lay down, in and through the
18 streets, highways and lands of said town, and take up,
19 replace and repair all such conduits, pipes and fixtures, as
20 may be necessary for the objects of its corporation; to carry
21 and lay conduits, and pipes under any water course, rail-
22 way or private way, and to cross any drain or sewer, or, if
23 necessary to change its direction in such a manner as not
24 to obstruct the use thereof, and to enter and dig up any
25 such street, road or way for the purpose of laying down
26 pipes beneath the surface thereof, for placing man holes or
27 other fixtures, and for maintaining and repairing the same,
28 and in general, to do any other act or things necessary, con-
29 venient and proper to be done for the purposes of this act.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds
2 for Waldo county, a certificate containing a description of
3 land taken, or in which an easement may be taken, under
4 the provisions of this act, and a statement of the purposes
5 for which it is taken to be recorded by the registry; and
6 such land or easement, shall be deemed to be taken upon
7 the filing of said certificate.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall be liable to pay all dam-
2 ages that shall be sustained by any person in his property

3 by taking of any land, or easement therein, under the pro-
4 visions of this act; and if any person sustaining damage as
5 aforesaid, and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon
6 the sum to be paid thereof, such person may cause his
7 damages to be ascertained in the same manner and under
8 the same conditions and limitations as are by law prescribed
9 in the case of damages by the location of railroads.

Sect. 7. Said corporation, at all times, after it shall com-
2 mence receiving pay for the facilities supplied by it, shall be
3 bound to permit the owners of all premises, abutting upon its
4 lines of pipes and conduits, to enter the same with all proper
5 sewerage, upon conformity to the rules and regulations of
6 said company, and payment of the prices and rentals estab-
7 lished therefor.

Sect. 8. Any person who shall place or leave any offensive
2 or injurious matter or materials in the conduits, catch basins
3 or receptacles of said corporation contrary to its regulations,
4 or shall wilfully injure any conduit, pipe, reservoir, flush
5 tank, catch basin, man hole, lamp hole, outlet, engine, pump
6 or other property held, owned or used by said corporation
7 for the purposes of this act, shall pay twice the amount of
8 damages to said corporation, to be recovered in any proper
9 action; and every such person, on conviction of either of
10 said acts of wilful injury aforesaid, shall be punished by a
11 fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, and by imprison-
12 ment not exceeding one year.

Sect. 9. The affairs of said corporation shall be controlled
2 by a board of directors, consisting of not less than three
3 members, two-thirds of whom shall be citizens of the town
4 of Stockton Springs, and elected annually by vote of the
5 stockholders of the corporation; and the board of directors
6 shall choose such officers as may, from time to time, be
7 required by the by-laws of the corporation.

Sect. 10. Any one of the persons mentioned in the first
2 section of this act, may call the first meeting of said corpora-
3 tion by giving one week's notice to each of the others.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 8, 1907.

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on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.