

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 188

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C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend the charter of The City of South Portland.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Section 1 of Chapter 30 of the Private and
2 Special Laws of the State of Maine, enacted in 1909, is
3 hereby amended by striking out the words "who shall be
4 a civil engineer and" in the fourth and fifth lines, so that
5 said Section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 1. The city council of the city of South Port-
7 land shall, on the second Monday of March, in the year
8 of our Lord, nineteen hundred and nine, or as soon there-
9 after as may be, elect a commissioner of public works, who
10 shall hold office for three years, and until his successor
11 is qualified, and each succeeding election thereafter shall

12 be for a term of three years. He shall receive such salary
13 as the city council may determine. In case any vacancy
14 should occur, it may be filled in the same manner for the
15 unexpired term. He may be removed for cause by the city
16 council.'

Sect. 2. Section 3 of said Chapter 30 is hereby amended
2 by striking out all of said Section after the word "city"
3 in the ninth line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the
4 following: 'all of which shall be subject to the instruction,
5 approval or orders of the Committee on Public Works, so-
6 called, selected as designated in Section 5 of said Chapter.
7 The commissioner shall also have charge of the construc-
8 tion of new streets, new sewers and new bridges when laid
9 out and ordered to be constructed by order of the city
10 council and according to law. He shall take general care
11 of all property belonging to the City which pertains to the
12 duties of said Commissioner. Said Commissioner, after
13 being duly authorized and empowered by the said Com-
14 mittee on Public Works, shall purchase everything neces-
15 sary and essential to conduct the business of his depart-
16 ment and make such contracts for the supply of materials
17 necessary to carry on the work under his charge; shall
18 employ such assistants, engineers, foremen and laborers
19 necessary to carry on any of the said works as the Com-
20 mittee on Public Works may order and direct. Said Com-
21 missioner shall on or before the twenty-fifth day of each
22 month render and turn over to the Committee on Public

23 Works, all bills contracted for labor performed and ma-
24 terials furnished up to the first day of the same month,' so
25 that said Section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. The said commissioner shall be vested with
27 all the authority now exercised by and shall perform all
28 duties now incumbent upon the street commissioner of said
29 city of South Portland, which office is hereby abolished,
30 and shall have charge of the maintenance and repair ac-
31 cording to law of all streets and public ways in said city
32 of South Portland, including sidewalks and bridges, and
33 of all public sewers and drains, and of the construction,
34 maintenance and repair of all culverts and catch basins
35 belonging to the city; all of which shall be subject to the
36 instruction, approval and orders of the Committee on Pub-
37 lic Works, so-called, selected as designated in Section 5 of
38 said Chapter. The Commissioner shall also have charge
39 of the construction of new streets, new sewers and new
40 bridges when laid out and ordered to be constructed by
41 order of the city council and according to law. He shall
42 take general care of all property belonging to the City
43 which pertains to the duties of said Commissioner. Said
44 Commissioner, after being duly authorized and empowered
45 by the said Committee on Public Works, shall purchase
46 everything necessary and essential to conduct the business
47 of his department and make such contracts for the supply
48 of materials necessary to carry on the work under his
49 charge; shall employ such assistants, engineers, foremen

50 and laborers necessary to carry on any of the said works
51 as the Committee on Public Works may order and direct.
52 Said Commissioner shall on or before the twenty-fifth
53 day of each month render and turn over to the Committee
54 on Public Works, all bills contracted for labor performed
55 and materials furnished up to the first day of the same
56 month.'