

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 422

In Senate, March 3, 1913.

*Reported by Senator Stearns from Committee on Judiciary,
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter 292 of the Private and Special
Laws of Maine, 1909, relating to the Mexico Water Com-
pany.

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

Section 1. Sections 3, 4, 5, and 7 of chapter 292 of the
2 Private and Special Laws of 1909, are hereby amended so
3 that same will read as follows:

‘Sect. 3. Said corporation for the purposes of its incorpo-
5 ration, is hereby authorized to take, collect, store, divert,
6 use and distribute water from Swift River and any brook,
7 stream. lake or pond, tributary thereto, in the towns of Mex-

8 ico, Roxbury and Byron; provided, however, that the rights
9 hereby conferred as to Swift River and all brooks, streams,
10 lakes and ponds, tributary to Swift River, in which the Rum-
11 ford and Mexico Water District has franchise rights, how-
12 ever acquired, that said rights are hereby conferred shall be
13 equal, concurrent and joint with the rights already vested
14 in the Rumford and Mexico Water District, and shall vest
15 in said Mexico Water Company, the right to take and use
16 no more than one-half the natural flow of said Swift River.

‘Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay
18 down, in and through the streets and ways in said towns of
19 Mexico, Roxbury and Byron, and to take up, replace and
20 repair, all such pipes, aqueducts, conduits, hydrants and fix-
21 tures as may be necessary for the purposes of its organiza-
22 tion; to carry and lay any conduit, aqueduct and pipes under
23 any water course, public or private way, or railroad or elec-
24 tric railroad, in said town, in the manner prescribed by law,
25 and to cross any sewer or drain, or, if necessary, to change
26 its direction in such manner as not to obstruct the use there-
27 of; and to take up any such roads and ways for the purpose
28 of laying down pipes, conduits or aqueducts beneath the sur-
29 face thereof, for placing man-holes, hydrants or other fix-
30 tures, or for maintaining and replacing the same under such
31 reasonable restrictions as may be imposed by the selectmen
32 of said towns. And said corporation shall be responsible
33 for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the
34 use of said streets and highways; and shall further be liable

35 to pay to said towns all sums recovered against said towns
36 for damages for obstructions caused by said corporation.'

'Sect. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take
38 and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or other real
39 estate within the towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron nec-
40 essary for any of the purposes of its incorporation; and also
41 for the protection of the water shed or any sources of supply
42 of water which it may have, take or acquire under the au-
43 thority of this charter. Said corporation shall not, under the
44 provisions of this charter, take any real estate now owned
45 by the town of Mexico, nor any water system, aqueduct or
46 extension of the same now owned by any citizen of the town
47 of Mexico, or Shaw Ridlon Land Co., except by purchase.
48 It may enter upon such lands, make surveys and locations,
49 and shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Ox-
50 ford plans of such locations and lands, showing the property
51 taken, and within thirty days thereafter publish notice of
52 such filing in some newspaper in said county, such publica-
53 tion to be continued three weeks successively. And with
54 such plans said corporation may file a statement of the dam-
55 ages it is willing to pay for any property so taken and if the
56 amount finally awarded does not exceed that sum the corpo-
57 ration shall recover costs against such parties; otherwise
58 such parties shall recover costs against said corporation.'

'Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make
60 contracts with other corporations, individuals, the towns of
61 Mexico, Roxbury and Byron, and any village corporation in

62 the town of Mexico, for the purpose of supplying water as
63 contemplated by the purposes of this organization. And
64 said towns of Mexico, Roxbury and Byron by their select-
65 men, and any village corporation by its assessors, is hereby
66 authorized to enter into contracts with said corporation, for
67 the supply of water for public uses, on such terms and for
68 such time as the parties may agree, which, when made, shall
69 be legally binding upon all the parties thereto.'