

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 112

House of Representatives, Feb. 10, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Towns.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Evans of Bridgton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

AN ACT to incorporate the North Bridgton Village Corporation.

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

Section 1. The territory in the town of Bridgton embraced
2 within the following limits: Commencing on the northerly
3 shore of Long Lake at the mouth of Moose Pond Brook;
4 run northerly by said brook to the northerly line of home-
5 stead premises of Freeman H. Brown at the time of his de-
6 cease; thence westerly on said line of said Brown premises
7 and northerly line of homestead premises of Joseph N.
8 Adams to the North Bridgton and Waterford Road (so
9 called), thence westerly by northerly line of pasture land of

10 Elton B. York and northerly line of land of Luther Monk
11 to the North Bridgton and Sweden Road (so called), thence
12 westerly by northerly line of land of George S. Marr to
13 easterly line of homestead farm of George E. Chadbourne;
14 thence southerly by said line of said Chadbourne farm and
15 westerly line of said Marr land to the Chadbourne Hill or
16 Ridge Road (so called); thence easterly by said last named
17 road to westerly line of land of Bridgton Academy; thence
18 southerly by said line of said Bridgton Academy land and
19 westerly line of homestead premises of Elsie L. Moore at
20 time of her decease and westerly line of homestead prem-
21 ises of Joseph W. Witham to southwesterly corner thereof;
22 thence southerly across homestead premises of Henry W.
23 Evans to the northwesterly corner of house lot of Augusta
24 Ward; thence southerly by westerly line of said Ward lot,
25 westerly line of land of Helen B. Randolph and westerly
26 line of land of Gertrude Adams to northerly line of home-
27 stead premises of Dr. W. N. Decker; thence easterly by said
28 line of said Decker premises to the Bridgton Center and
29 North Bridgton Road (so called); thence southerly by said
30 last named road to the southwesterly corner of a small field
31 on the easterly side thereof owned by James C. Mead at the
32 time of his decease; thence easterly by the stone wall on the
33 southerly side of said field and thence onward on same
34 course as said wall to Long Lake aforesaid and thence north-
35 easterly by said lake to the point of commencement; together
36 with the inhabitants thereon is hereby created a body politic

37 and corporate by name of North Bridgton Village Cor-
38 poration.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with power at
2 any legal meeting called for the purpose to raise by assess-
3 ment such sums of money as may be sufficient to purchase a
4 fire engine, hose, ladders and other apparatus for the extin-
5 guishment of fires and to organize and maintain within the
6 limits of said corporation an efficient fire department and to
7 contract with individuals or corporation for the supply of
8 water under pressure for the extinguishment of fires and
9 to contract with individuals or corporations for the lighting
10 of the streets within said corporate limits and to set out,
11 maintain and care for shade trees.

Sect. 3. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a
2 clerk, treasurer, collector and three assessors, and they shall
3 have the same power and authority that similar officers
4 chosen by towns now have. Other officers or agents of the
5 corporation shall be appointed by the assessors. The first
6 election of officers shall be at the meeting at which this char-
7 ter is accepted. Said officers shall hold their respective of-
8 fices until the next annual meeting of the corporation at
9 which said meeting officers shall be elected and thereafter-
10 wards at each annual meeting, but in any event all officers
11 duly elected shall hold office until their successors are elected
12 and duly qualified. The annual meeting of said corporation
13 shall be held on the third Wednesday of March in each year.
14 Said assessors shall be the general municipal officers of said

15 corporation and shall have general charge of its affairs and
16 of the expenditure of all money therein, except so far as the
17 same may be committed to other officers or persons. All per-
18 sons residing within the limits of said territory who are
19 qualified by law to vote in town affairs in said town of
20 Bridgton shall be legal voters at any meeting of said corpo-
21 ration at which they are present.

Sect. 4. Any money raised by said corporation for the
2 purposes aforesaid shall be assessed upon the property and
3 polls within the territory aforesaid, 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 and the enum-
7 eration of polls within said territory by the assessors of the
8 town of Bridgton and assess the tax thereon, or they may
9 assess said tax on valuation and enumeration of polls made
10 by themselves, and may abate any tax by them assessed.

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 as-
5 sess said amount upon the estates and polls of persons resid-
6 ing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of non-
7 resident proprietors thereof, and to certify and deliver to
8 the collector of said corporation such assessment, whose
9 duty it shall be to collect the same in like manner as county
10 and town taxes are, by law, collected by towns.

Sect. 6. The said corporation at any legal meeting called
2 for the purpose, may adopt such by-laws and provisions not
3 inconsistent with the laws and constitution of the state, as
4 they may deem necessary for the better government of the
5 corporation, and such by-laws shall be subject to alterations
6 or additions only by a majority vote at a legal meeting called
7 for the purpose.

Sect. 7. All meetings of the corporation after the first
2 shall be called by warrant of the assessors stating time, place
3 and purposes of the meeting, a copy of which shall be posted
4 in a conspicuous place within its limits, seven days at least
5 prior to the meeting; and any special meeting of the corpo-
6 ration shall be so called by the assessors upon petition of
7 seven legal voters, stating the time, place and purposes of
8 meeting requested.

Sect. 8. This charter may be accepted at any time within
2 two years after granted and its rejection in any calendar
3 year shall not prevent its acceptance in the next calendar
4 year during the time aforesaid, but only one meeting to vote
5 thereon shall be held in any one calendar year. James E.
6 Bird, William H. Foster, Guy Monk and George S. Marr,
7 or any one of them may call all meetings of the inhabitants
8 of said territory previous to the acceptance of this charter,
9 by posting a notice, stating the time, place and object of
10 said meeting in at least one public place in said territory,
11 at least seven days, before the time of holding said meeting.

Sect. 9. In the meeting prescribed in section eight of this
2 act for the first meeting of said corporation, the legal voters
3 shall vote by ballot on the question of the acceptance of the
4 charter, and if a majority shall vote in favor of its accept-
5 ance then it shall take effect in all its parts and the corpo-
6 ration shall proceed to organize and choose its officers.