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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 381

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE**

AN ACT to Divide the Town of Wells and Incorporate the
Town of Ogunquit.

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

Section 1. All that part of the town of Wells, in York
2 county, that now constitutes The Ogunquit Village Cor-
3 poration, namely: Commencing at the southeasterly point
4 of the boundary line between the towns of York and Wells,
5 at the Atlantic ocean and extending northwesterly along
6 said boundary line to the south branch of the Ogunquit
7 river; thence by the Ogunquit river to the intersection of
8 Stevens brook with said Ogunquit river; thence south fifty-
9 five degrees east course to the Atlantic ocean; thence by

10 the Atlantic ocean to the boundary line between the towns
11 of York and Wells, and the point begun at, together with
12 the inhabitants within said territory, is hereby set off from
13 the town of Wells and incorporated into a separate town
14 by the name of Ogunquit; and said town of Ogunquit is
15 hereby invested with all the powers and privileges, and sub-
16 ject to all the duties and obligations incident to other towns
17 of said state.

Sect. 2. The several inhabitants of the town of Ogunquit
2 shall be holden to pay all taxes which have been legally
3 assessed upon them by the town of Wells, and the collect-
4 ors of taxes for said town of Wells are hereby authorized
5 and required to collect and pay all taxes to them already
6 committed according to their respective warrants. All
7 moneys now in the treasury of said town of Wells, and
8 all sums which shall hereafter be received, from taxes here-
9 tofore assessed, shall be applied to the several purposes for
10 which they were raised, and in case of any excess, said
11 excess shall be apportioned to the towns of Wells and Ogun-
12 quit in proportion to the assessed valuation of property and
13 polls as made April first, nineteen hundred and twenty, and
14 the treasurer of the town of Wells shall pay over to the
15 treasurer of the town of Ogunquit such sums as may be
16 found due said town of Ogunquit. The county commission-
17 ers of York county shall make said apportionment.

Sect. 3. The existing liabilities and obligations of the town
2 of Wells, including costs of repairs at Cole's Corner under-
3 pass, shall be divided as follows: The town debt of said

4 town of Wells shall be borne by said towns of Wells and
5 Ogunquit in proportion to the valuation of their respective
6 territories as of April, nineteen hundred and twenty. All pau-
7 pers now supported by the aid of the town of Wells shall,
8 after division, be maintained and supported by the town in
9 which territory they resided when they became paupers.
10 Each of said towns shall henceforth bear all expenses for
11 the care and maintenance of all roads and bridges within
12 its respective limits.

Sect. 4. All the property, real and personal, of the town
2 of Wells, shall be the property of the town in which it is
3 now located. All of said property, except the town hall and
4 lot, shall be appraised by the county commissioner of York
5 county, and each town shall pay for the property within its
6 limits the appraised valuation, so determined and the total
7 amount thereof shall constitute a sum to be divided between
8 said towns in proportion to the valuation of their respective
9 territories, as taken by the assessors in April, nineteen hun-
10 dred and twenty. The books, papers and records of the
11 town of Wells shall be retained by the town of Wells, and
12 each of said towns shall have access to the same.

Sect. 5. Any justice of the peace or notary public in said
2 county of York may issue his warrant to any legal voter in
3 the town of Ogunquit, directing him to notify the inhabi-
4 tants thereof to meet at a time and place specified in said
5 warrants, giving at least seven days' notice thereof, for the

6 choice of town officers, and to transact such business as
7 towns are authorized to do.

Sect. 6. Until the next legislative apportionment of rep-
2 resentatives the town of Ogunquit shall be classed with Wells
3 and York.