

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 72

House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1923.

Referred to Committee on Towns and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Jordan of Cape Elizabeth.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Incorporate the Prout's Neck Village Corporation.

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

Section 1. The territory in the town of Scarboro in the
2 county of Cumberland, embraced within the following
3 limits:

Commencing at a point in the northerly side of Black
2 Point road, said point marking the junction of the line of
3 said road with division line between the property now owned
4 by John A. Harmon and that now occupied by the Prout's
5 Neck Country Club golf course; thence in a northerly direc-
6 tion by said division line between land of John A. Harmon
7 and land now occupied by the Prout's Neck Country Club

8 to the shore of Libby's river; thence starting in a south-
9 westerly direction, by the shore of Libby's river to the shore
10 of the ocean and continuing by the shore of the ocean out
11 around the peninsula and returning on the easterly side
12 thereof in a northeasterly direction, to a point on the shore
13 which marks the division between land now owned by P. W.
14 Sprague and land now owned by J. H. Merrick; thence in
15 a northerly direction by the division line between land of
16 said P. W. Sprague and land of said J. H. Merrick to the
17 southerly side of Black Point road; thence across said
18 Black Point road to the point begun at, together with the
19 inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic and
20 corporate by name of Prout's Neck Village Corporation.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with power
2 at any legal meeting called for the purpose to raise money
3 or to call upon the assessors of the town of Scarboro to
4 raise money for the village of Prout's Neck in such sums as
5 may be sufficient to plant, cultivate, and maintain flowers,
6 trees, and shrubbery, and to build and maintain walks, to
7 otherwise beautify said village, to provide fire and police
8 protection in addition to that provided, for the town of
9 Scarboro, and to do such other legal acts for the benefit
10 of the corporation as shall from time to time be ordered
11 and approved by its voters in their annual meetings.

Sect. 3. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a
2 clerk, treasurer and board of managers, the number of said
3 managers to be annually determined by the voters. Other

4 officers or agents of the corporation may be appointed by
5 the managers. The first election of officers shall be at the
6 meeting at which this charter is accepted. Said officers
7 shall hold their respective offices until the next annual
8 meeting of the corporation at which said meeting officers
9 shall be elected and thereafterwards at each annual meet-
10 ing, but in any event all officers duly elected shall hold
11 office until their successors are elected and duly qualified.
12 The annual meetings of said corporation shall be held on
13 the third Friday of August in each year. Said managers
14 shall be the general municipal officers of said corporation
15 and shall have general charge of its affairs and of the ex-
16 penditure of all money therein except so far as the same
17 may be committed to other officers or persons. All persons
18 residing within the limits of said territory who are qualified
19 by law to vote in town affairs in said town of Scarboro
20 shall be legal voters at meetings of said corporation at
21 which they are present; and in addition thereto, persons of
22 lawful age owning land within said territory, or residing or
23 commorant therein, who shall be members of the Prout's
24 Neck Association for two consecutive years, shall be qual-
25 ified to vote in the meetings of said corporation.

Sect. 4. Any money raised by virtue of vote of said cor-
2 poration for the purposes aforesaid shall be assessed upon
3 the property and polls within the territory aforesaid, by
4 the assessors of this town of Scarboro in the same manner
5 as is provided by law for the assessment of county and town

6 taxes; or said corporation itself may assess such tax in the
7 same manner on a valuation made by itself, and said cor-
8 poration may abate any tax by it assessed.

Sect. 5. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors
2 of said town of Scarboro by the clerk of this corporation,
3 of the amount of money voted at any meeting for the pur-
4 poses aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors as soon
5 as may be, to assess said amount upon the estates and polls
6 of persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the
7 estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and to certify
8 and deliver to the collector of said corporation such assess-
9 ment, whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like
10 manner as county and town taxes are, by law, collected by
11 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 this state,
4 as they may deem necessary for the better government of
5 the corporation, and such by-laws shall be subject to altera-
6 tions or additions only by a majority vote at a legal meeting
7 called for the purpose.

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

7 petition of seven legal voters, stating the time, place and
8 purposes of 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
5 vote thereon shall be held in any one calendar year. Minot
6 Simons, Samuel S. Sewall, Phineas W. Sprague, James F.
7 Shaw, F. X. Janelle, and Stuart W. Webb, or any one of
8 them may call all meetings of the inhabitants of said terri-
9 tory previous to the acceptance of this charter, by posting
10 a notice stating the time, place and object of said meeting
11 in at least one public place in said territory, at least seven
12 days, before the time of holding said meeeting.

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