

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

LEGISLATURE,

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ABRAHAM W. THAYER, PRINTER TO THE STATE,

1822.

CHAPTER CXXII.

AN ACT to incorporate the Trustees of the School Fund in the town of Freeman.

SECT. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That Barnabas Whitney, Thomas Allen, Simeon Putnam, John Williams, Jonathan Brown and their successors, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic by the name of the Trustees of the School Fund in the town of Freeman; with power to sue & be sued; to have a common seal and to change the same; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the State; and to sell and convey all the lands originally reserved in said town for schools; and any deed thereof duly executed and acknowledged by the Treasurer of said corporation, and by direction of the trustees shall be good and valid in law to pass the same land to the purchaser; and the money arising from such sale, as soon as may be, shall be put at interest by said trustees and secured by mortgage of real estate, or by bond or note with two or more sufficient sureties, or invested in public funded securities or bank stock.

Persons incor-
porated Trus-
tees.

Powers, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the number of said Trustees shall not at any time be less than three, nor more than five, any three of whom shall constitute a quorum for doing business; and shall at their annual meeting, which shall be holden on the day succeeding the annual meeting of said town for the election of town officers, elect by ballot a President, Clerk and Treasurer; the Clerk shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duty, and the treasurer shall give bond to the corporation in double the amount of their funds, for the faithful discharge of his trust. And the said town of Freeman, may at any such annual town meeting remove all or either of said Trustees, who shall have become incapable of discharging the duty of his office, or who shall have removed from said town; and shall at said annual meeting fill all vacancies in said board of Trustees by written ballots.

Number of
Trustees fixed

Annual meet-
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Officers to
chosen.

Town may re-
move Trus-
tees and fill
vacancies.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said Trustees shall keep an account of the receipts and expend-

Trustees to
keep an ac-

count and exhibit the same. itures of the funds accruing from said school lands, and annually exhibit said account to the town at the annual meeting for the choice of town officers; the interest of said school fund shall be appropriated for the support of the public free schools in said town in the same manner as money raised by law for that purpose. And it shall not be in the power of said town, or Trustees to alienate said fund or to alter the appropriation of the income thereof.

Interest ap-propriated. **SECT. 4.** *Be it further enacted;* That said Trustees and their successors, be, and they hereby are authorized to take, hold and possess, any estate, personal or real, by gift, grant or devise, for the use of the public free schools in said town of Freeman, the income whereof shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, and shall appropriate the same according to the intention of the donor, grantor, or devisor.

May hold real and personal estate not exceeding a certain amount. **SECT. 5.** *Be it further enacted,* That said Trustees shall be responsible to the town of Freeman, for the faithful discharge of their duty, and liable to pay all damages occasioned by their misconduct or negligence, to be recovered by said town by action of the case, in any Court competent to try the same, and the debt or damage so recovered shall be added to said school funds.

Trustees liable to the town. **SECT. 6.** *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this Act may be enlarged, restrained, or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

Powers granted may be altered, &c. **SECT. 7.** *Be it further enacted,* That Barnabas Whitney, be, and he hereby is authorized to call the first meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as he may direct, by notifying each Trustee of the time and place of meeting.

[This Act passed February 6, 1822.]

CHAPTER CXXIII.

AN ACT to annex lot number seven in the thirteenth range, in township number four, to Dixfield.

Annexation to Dixfield. **BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,** That lot number seven,