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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1847.

CHAP. 34.

Chapter 34.

An act to incorporate the West Pittston Village Fire Company.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Limits of territory embraced.

SECT. 1. That the territory embraced within the limits of the two school districts, known as number four, and north number four, in the town of Pittston, together with the inhabitants thereon be, and the same hereby is created a body politic and corporate by the name of the West Pittston Village Fire Company.

Power to raise money for certain purposes.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with power at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money for the purchase, repair and preservation of one or more fire engines, hose and apparatus for the extinguishment of fire, for a site and house for said engines ; for the procuring of water and for the organizing and maintaining, within the limits of said territory, an efficient fire department.

How assessed.

SECT. 3. The money raised by said corporation for the purpose aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property within the said territory by the assessors of said corporation in the same manner as is provided by law for the assessment of state taxes by the then last tax act, excepting that polls shall not be taxed ; and said assessors may copy the then last valuation made by the assessors of the said town of Pittston, and assess the tax thereon, or if the corporation shall so direct, may correct said valuation or make a new valuation, according to the principles of the then last state tax act, and assess the tax on that valuation.

Same subject.

SECT. 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors of said corporation by the clerk thereof, of the amount of money raised at any meeting thereof for the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be, to assess said amount upon the estates of persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and the assessment so made to certify and deliver to the treasurer or collector of said corporation, whose duty it shall be to collect the same, in like manner as state taxes are by law collected by towns ; and said corporation shall have the same power to direct the mode of collecting said taxes as towns have in the collection of town taxes.

Officers.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, collector, three assessors, four or more fire wardens, and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation ; which said fire wardens shall have exclusively all the power and authority within the limits of said

corporation that fire wardens now have or may have, chosen by CHAP. 35.
towns in town meeting.

SECT. 6. The said corporation at any legal meeting thereof By-laws.
may adopt a code of by-laws for the government of the same, and
for the efficient management of the fire department.

SECT. 7. No person shall be entitled to vote at any of the Persons not entit-
led to vote.
meetings of the said corporation, who shall not be liable to be taxed
for the purposes aforesaid.

SECT. 8. Stephen Young, Hiram Stevens, George H. Robin- First meeting,
how called.
son, or either of them, be and they are hereby authorized to issue a
warrant directed to some member of said corporation, requiring him
to notify the members thereof to assemble at some suitable time
and place, within the limits of said corporation, by posting up copies
of the warrant in two or more public places within said limits seven
days at least before the time of such meeting.

SECT. 9. This act shall take effect from and after its approval
by the governor.

[Approved July 3, 1847.]

Chapter 35.

An act to authorize the First Baptist Society in Hallowell to alter the arrange-
ment of the pews in their meeting house.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The proprietors of the pews in the meeting house of the First Authorized to
change the loca-
tion of the pulpit.
Baptist Society in Hallowell, are hereby authorized to alter the
arrangement of the meeting house belonging to said society, by
changing the location of the pulpit from the east to the west end of
the house, and the pews to be numbered in such manner as to give
each pew the same relative position to the pulpit that it now has.
Provided, that a majority of the owners of pews in said house con- Proviso.
sent to such alteration and the alteration is made without expense
to the owners of the pews.

[Approved July 3, 1847.]