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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1848.

CHAP. 118.**Chapter 118.**

An act to incorporate the Foxcroft Village Fire Company.

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

Territory embraced.

SECT. 1. The territory embraced within the limits of lots numbered nine, ten and eleven in the first range of lots, together with the inhabitants thereon, be and the same hereby is created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Foxcroft Village Fire Company.

Empowered to raise money for the purchase of engine, &c.

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 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 purposes 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 Foxcroft 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.

Duty of assessors.

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 the said assessors as soon as may be to assess said amount upon the estate 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.

—of the treasurer or collector.

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; said fire wardens shall have exclusively all the power and authority within the limits

of said corporation that fire wardens chosen by towns in town meetings, now have. CHAP. 118.

SECT. 6. The said corporation at any legal meeting thereof may adopt a code of by-laws for the government of the same and for the efficient management of the fire department, *provided*, the same are not repugnant to the laws of the state. By-laws.

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

SECT. 8. Any person living without the prescribed limits of this company may become a member by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting and by paying such proportional tax as may be determined by said corporation. Persons living without the limits, may become members.

SECT. 9. The said corporation are authorized to hire money, not exceeding the sum of six hundred dollars for the purpose of purchasing one or more fire engines, hose and apparatus for the extinguishment of fire and may at any legal meeting called for the purpose, authorize their treasurer to hire any sum not exceeding six hundred dollars on such terms as the corporation may direct. Authorized to hire money.

SECT. 10. All the territory describing in an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Dover and Foxcroft Fire Company," approved August eighth, eighteen hundred and forty-six, which is situated in the town of Foxcroft is hereby set off from the said company. And so much of the said act as relates to territory within the limits of the town of Foxcroft is hereby repealed. Inconsistent acts.

SECT. 11. Nathaniel Chamberlain, D. D. Vaughan, Melvin Stevens 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 publishing such notice in any newspaper published in either of the towns of Foxcroft or Dover and by posting notifications in two public places in Foxcroft seven days at least before the time of such meetings. First meeting.

SECT. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved July 15, 1848.]