

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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hereby set off from the town of Bridgton and annexed to the town of Naples: said land shall be holden to pay all taxes legally assessed, that remain due and unpaid in the town of Bridgton.

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Holden to pay all taxes legally assessed, remaining unpaid.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved February 29, 1856.]

**Chapter 574.**

An act to incorporate the Kendalls' Mills Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory embraced within the limits of school district number one, with its inhabitants, in the town of Fairfield, in the county of Somerset, is hereby created a body politic and corporate, with all the rights and privileges provided by the general laws of the state relating to similar corporations, by the name of Kendalls' Mills Village Corporation.

Territory incorporated.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and vested with the power, at any legal meeting called for the purposes to raise money to defray the expenses of a night watch, of a police, and all other necessary measures for the better security of life and property, and for the promotion of good order and the observance of the laws within its limits; for purchasing and keeping in repair engines and other apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water; for the erection and keeping in repair suitable engine houses; for organizing and maintaining an efficient fire department, and for ringing the bell.

Powers, rights and privileges.

SECT. 3. The officers of said corporation shall be a clerk, a treasurer, a collector and three assessors, who shall be chosen by ballot and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties in the same manner as town officers; and they shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

Officers.

How chosen.

Tenure of office.

SECT. 4. The first election of officers of said corporation, shall be at the meeting of the legal voters of the corporation called to accept this charter, and the annual election of officers shall be on the first Monday of April in every subsequent year.

First election.

Annual election

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Records, how kept.  
Treasurer and collector.  
Bonds of.

SECT. 5. The clerk shall keep a record of all the doings and proceedings at the meetings of the said corporation.

SECT. 6. The treasurer and collector shall each give bonds to the said corporation in such sum and with such surety or sureties as shall be approved by the assessors in writing.

Assessors, duty of.

SECT. 7. The assessors shall assess upon the polls and estates of the resident inhabitants within the limits of said corporation, and upon the estates of non-residents within said limits, whatever sums said corporation may vote to raise for the purposes aforesaid, and in making such assessment and taking the inventory therefor, the said assessors shall be governed by the same rules as are provided in similar cases for assessors of towns, and shall have similar powers to abate any tax by them assessed. But instead of making a new valuation, they may, in any year, adopt the valuation made by the assessors of the town of Fairfield. The tax on polls shall not exceed at any one assessment the sum of fifty cents to any one person.

Authorized to abate taxes.

Poll tax.

Board of assessors, duty of.

SECT. 8. The clerk, treasurer and assessors of said corporation are hereby constituted a board, a majority of whom shall in writing under their hands approve of any sum of money voted by said corporation to be raised before the same shall be assessed and collected.

Taxes, manner of collecting, &c.

SECT. 9. The assessors of said corporation shall assess and commit with a warrant, all taxes by them authorized to be assessed and collected to the collector of said corporation, and the said assessors, collector and treasurer shall have the same power and authority in assessing and enforcing the collection of taxes which assessors, collectors and treasurers of towns may have.

Collector and treasurer, duty of.

SECT. 10. The collector shall pay all moneys by him collected to the treasurer on demand, and the treasurer shall receive the same and pay it out to the order or direction of the assessors, and keep a regular account of all moneys received and paid out, and exhibit the same to the assessors whenever requested.

Fire companies.

SECT. 11. The assessors of said corporation shall have full power to organize efficient companies for the fire department, by the appointment of engine men, engineers and fire wards, which engine men, engineers and fire wards when organized, shall be entitled to all exemptions, and subject to all duties and responsibilities, and invested with similar powers as if they had been appointed by the selectmen of towns, or in pursuance of the special and general provisions of the statute

laws of this state; said engine men, engineers and fire wards shall hold their office during the pleasure of the assessors of said corporation. **CHAP. 574.**  
Office, tenure of.

SECT. 12. All meetings of said corporation, after the first, shall be notified by a warrant of the assessors, notices of which shall be posted up in two public places within its limits, seven days prior to the meeting, stating the time and purposes of the meeting; and a meeting shall at any time be called on the written application of seven voters to said assessors, stating the time and purposes for which said meeting is requested. **Meetings called, and how notified.**

SECT. 13. All persons liable to be taxed for polls, residing in the limits of said corporation, shall be legal voters at any meeting of said corporation. **Voters.**

SECT. 14. The said corporation at any legal meeting may choose a board of police officers and night watch, to consist of such numbers as the corporation may decide, who shall be duly sworn; which officers when sworn, shall have power to execute all warrants, and shall have the same power to prevent public disturbances and preserve public peace within said corporation, as is given by the statute laws of this state to constables; also to restrain all infractions of, and carry into effect such by-laws as said corporation shall adopt in pursuance of this act. **May choose police, &c.**  
**Police, powers of, &c.**

SECT. 15. The said corporation at any meeting legally called for the purpose, may adopt such by-laws and provisions not inconsistent with the constitution and public laws of this state, as they may deem expedient and necessary for the better government and regulation of the municipal affairs within said corporation; in which case such by-laws and provisions so adopted shall extend to said corporation as fully to all intents and purposes as the other provisions of this act, subject only to alterations or addition by a two-thirds vote, at a legal meeting of the corporation called for the purpose. **By-laws.**

SECT. 16. E. W. McFadden and William B. Snell are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, and for that purpose to notify the legal voters thereof to meet at some suitable time and place within the limits aforesaid, the notice to be posted up in two public places in said limits seven days prior to such meeting; and either of the said persons is authorized to preside at said meeting until after its organization, and until the officers shall be chosen and sworn; and afterwards, at all regular meetings of the corporation, a moderator shall be chosen in the same manner, and with the same powers as in towns. **First meeting, how called and notified.**  
**Moderator, how chosen.**

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Charter,  
acceptance of.

SECT. 17. At the first meeting prescribed in the sixteenth section of this act, the legal voters shall vote by ballot on the question of accepting this charter, and if a majority shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then this act shall take effect, and the corporation shall then proceed to organize and choose its officers.

Act, when to  
take effect.

SECT. 18. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor, so far as to empower the said first meeting to be called, and if the inhabitants shall accept this act as aforesaid, then the same shall take and have complete effect in all its parts.

[Approved March 1, 1856.]

**Chapter 575.**

An act granting further powers to the association for the relief of aged and indigent women, to hold property.

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

Powers  
increased.

SECT. 1. The association for the relief of aged, indigent women, established in the city of Portland, under the statute authorizing the incorporation of charitable and benevolent societies, is hereby authorized to take and hold property and estate, for the purposes of their organization, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

May hold real  
estate, &c.  
Amount.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on its approval by the governor:

[Approved March 1, 1856.]

**Chapter 576.**

An act in addition to an act authorizing the inhabitants of the first school district in Bucksport to accept a bequest made by Joseph R. Folsom.

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

Additional  
powers to raise  
money, &c.

SECT. 1. The sum of money which the inhabitants of the first school district in Bucksport, are authorized to raise under the provisions of the act to which this is additional, to be ap-