

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1860.

CHAP. 392.**Chapter 392.**

An act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation.

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

Corporation,
limits of.

SECT. 1. The territory in the town of Farmington, comprising front lots number twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six and twenty-seven, on the east side of Sandy river, together with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Farmington Village Corporation, with all rights and privileges provided by the general laws of the state relating to corporations.

Corporate
name.
Rights, privi-
leges, &c.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and vested with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money to defray the expenses of a police, and all other necessary regulations for the better security of property and the promotion of good order and quiet within its limits ; for the purchase of one or more engines, and all other apparatus for the extinguishment of fires ; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water ; for the erection of suitable engine houses and for organizing and maintaining an efficient fire department.

Authorized to
raise money for
certain
purposes.

—how raised.

SECT. 3. Any money raised by said corporation for the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property and polls within the territory aforesaid, by the assessors of said corporation, in the same manner as is by law provided for the assessment of town taxes. And said assessors may copy the last valuation of said property by the assessors of the town of Farmington, and assess the tax thereon ; or if the corporation shall so direct, may correct said valuation or make a new valuation thereof, according to the principles established by the last state tax, and assess the tax on that valuation.

Assessors,
duties of.

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 for the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be, to assess said amount upon the polls and estates of the persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and lists of the assessments so made, to certify and deliver to the collector whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like manner as county and town taxes are by law collected by towns, and to pay over the same to the treasurer of said corporation, who shall receive the same and pay it out to order or direction of the corporation, and keep a regular account of all moneys received and paid out, and exhibit the same to the assessors, whenever requested ; 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.

Assessments,
how collected.

Treasurer,
duties of.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a super-
 visor, clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, fire wardens and such
 other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corpo-
 ration; and said fire wardens shall have exclusively all the power
 and authority within the limits of said corporation, that fire ward-
 ens now have, or may have, chosen by towns.

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 Officers.

SECT. 6. Said corporation at any legal meeting thereof, may
 adopt a code of by-laws not repugnant to the laws of this state, for
 the efficient management of the municipal affairs of said corporation.

By-laws.

SECT. 7. All the officers of said corporation shall be chosen by
 ballot, and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties; the
 first election to be at the meeting of the legal voters of the corpo-
 ration, called to accept this charter, and the annual election of
 officers shall be in the month of January.

Officers, how
 chosen, &c.

SECT. 8. The clerk shall keep a record of all the doings and
 proceedings at the meetings of the said corporation.

Clerk.

SECT. 9. The collector and treasurer shall give bonds in double
 the amount of the taxes so raised, to the inhabitants of said corpo-
 ration, which bonds shall be approved by the assessors and clerk.

Bond.

SECT. 10. Epaphras Johnson and Jotham S. Milliken, or either
 of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation,
 by publishing the time, place and objects of said meeting, one week
 in the Chronicle, and in the Franklin Patriot, newspapers printed
 in Farmington, the publications to be seven days at least before
 the time of holding said meeting, and all subsequent meetings shall
 be called and notified in like manner by order of the assessors.

First meeting,
 how called.

SECT. 11. 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.

Taxes.

SECT. 12. At the meeting prescribed in section ten 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 it shall take effect and the corporation shall proceed to organ-
 ize and choose its officers.

Charter, how
 accepted.

SECT. 13. This act shall take effect when approved by the gov-
 ernor but shall not be binding on said corporation unless accepted
 by them as hereinbefore provided.

[Approved February 24, 1860.]