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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1863.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

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SECT. 2. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars.

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May hold real and personal estate.
First meeting, how called.

SECT. 3. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by personal notice to the corporators named herein given by either of them five days before the time of the meeting.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect from the time of its approval by the governor.

Approved March 17, 1863.

Chapter 262.

An act to incorporate the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company and to repeal an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Foxcroft Village Fire Company" and an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Dover and Foxcroft Fire Company."

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

SECT. 1. The territory embraced within the limits of lots numbered two, three, four and five in range twelve in the town of Dover, also Henry Cochran's buildings and a lot of five acres in said town under and adjacent to the same, as nearly in a square as may be, said lots according to a plan and survey of Lemuel Perham in eighteen hundred three, and eighteen hundred four, and lots numbered nine, ten and eleven in the first range of lots in the town of Foxcroft, with the buildings and lot of Daniel Brown, and the buildings of Ira Whittier and a lot of five acres of land under and adjacent to the same, as nearly square as may be, together with the inhabitants thereon, be and the same is hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company.

Corporation, limits of.

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.

Corporate name.

Authorized to raise money for certain purposes.

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 the polls shall not be taxed, and said assessors may copy the then last valuation made by the assessors of the said towns of Dover and Foxcroft and assess the tax thereon, or if the corporation shall so direct may correct said valuation, or make

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a new valuation according to the principles of the then last state tax act 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 thereof for the purpose aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors as soon as may be, to assess said amount upon the estate of persons residing on the territory aforesaid and upon the estate 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.

Assessments,
how collected.

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 the towns in town meetings now have.

Fire wardens,
duties of.

By-laws.

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.

Proviso.

Voters.

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.

Membership.

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.

Authorized to
hire money for
certain
purposes.

SECT. 9. Said corporation are authorized to hire money, not exceeding the sum of two thousand dollars, for the purpose of purchasing one or more fire engines, hose and apparatus for the extinguishment of fire, or for other purposes of the company, and may at any legal meeting called for the purpose authorize their treasurer to hire any sum not exceeding two thousand dollars on such terms as the corporation may direct.

First meeting,
how called.

SECT. 10. S. P. Brown, A. M. Robinson, T. S. Pullen, A. G. Lebroke, or either of them, 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 the Piscataquis Observer, published in said town of Dover, and by posting two notifications in two public places in each of said towns, seven days at least before the time of such meeting.

SECT. 11. All the franchise, privileges and property of every description, and all rights in law and equity which exist or in any form might arise to and in behalf of the Foxcroft Village Fire Company, are hereby transferred to, vested in, and made the absolute property of the company hereby incorporated; and all dues, debts, demands, obligations, actions, causes of action, and duties of every name and kind of the said Foxcroft Village Fire Company, are hereby made as binding for all purposes whatsoever upon the company hereby incorporated, as they were or would have been upon the said Foxcroft Village Fire Company had not this act been passed; and all actions and defences at law or in equity which might have been maintained or made by or against said Foxcroft Village Fire Company, may with full force and effect be maintained by and against the company hereby incorporated in the name of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company.

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Franchise,
privileges,
property, &c.,
how vested.

SECT. 12. An act entitled "an act to incorporate the Dover and Foxcroft Fire Company," approved August eighth, eighteen hundred and forty-six, and an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Foxcroft Village Fire Company," approved July fifteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, are hereby repealed; *provided however*, that all rights, privileges, debts, liabilities, duties and obligations of the said last named company are to be and remain in full force and effect in favor of and against the said Foxcroft Village Fire Company, until the same are made effectual in favor of and binding upon and against the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company.

Certain acts of
incorporation
repealed.

Proviso.

SECT. 13. If the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company hereby incorporated, shall on or before the twentieth day of June next organize by the choice of officers herein named, and shall vote by majority to accept the provisions of this act, which they may do at their first meeting, then this act shall take effect and be in force from and after such organization and acceptance; but if said corporation shall not be organized as aforesaid, and such acceptance shall not be voted on or before said twentieth day of June, then this act shall be inoperative and void.

Organization
and acceptance.

Approved March 20, 1863.