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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1891.

Chapter 22.

An Act to incorporate the Cherryfield Village Corporation.

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

SECT. 1. The territory in the town of Cherryfield, comprising all of Union School District, together with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic and corporate, by the name of Cherryfield Village Corporation, with all the rights and privileges provided by the laws of the state relating to corporations.

Corporate name

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 night watch, a police force, of lighting the streets, and all other necessary measures for the better security of life and property, and for the promotion of good order and quiet within its limits; for the purchase, repair and preservation of one or more fire engines, engine houses, hose, buckets, ladders or other apparatus for the extinguishment of fires, for the construction and repair of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water, and for organizing and maintaining within the limits of said territory an efficient fire department.

Authorized to raise money for certain purposes.

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 Cherryfield 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.

Money, how raised.

—valuation.

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

Assessment and collection of taxes.

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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.

Officers.

—powers of fire
wardens, and
police officers.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, fire wardens, board of police officers, and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation; the said fire wardens to have exclusively all the power and authority within the limits of said corporation that fire wardens have or may have, chosen by towns at town meeting; the said board of police officers to consist of such number as the corporation may decide, who shall be duly sworn, and have power to execute all warrants, and have the same power to prevent public disturbances, and preserve public peace within said corporation as is given by the laws of this state to constables, and to restrain all infractions of, and carry into effect such by-laws as said corporation shall adopt in pursuance of this act.

By-laws.

SECT. 6. The said corporation, at any legal meeting thereof called for the purpose, may adopt such by-laws and provisions, not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state and the United States, 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 additions by a two-thirds vote at a legal meeting of the corporation called for the purpose.

Officers, how
chosen.

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 corporation called to accept this charter, and the annual election of officers shall be in the month of April.

Duty of clerk.

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

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

Bond of treasurer and collector.

SECT. 10. H. C. Bartlett, F. I. Campbell, W. M. Nash and G. R. Campbell or either of them are authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, by posting three notices in public and conspicuous places in said village, stating the time, place and objects of said meeting, at least seven days before the time of holding the same ; all subsequent meetings shall be called and notified in like manner by order of the assessors ; and a meeting shall at any time be called on the written application of seven legal voters to said assessors, stating the time, place and purposes for which said meeting is requested.

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.

Qualification of voters.

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 organize and choose its officers.

Acceptance of charter.

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

When act shall take effect.

Approved February 3, 1891.

Chapter 23.

An Act to accept the provisions of an act of Congress as approved August thirty, eighteen hundred and ninety, relating to the endowment and support of the College for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

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

SECT. 1. That the provisions of an act of Congress of the United States, approved August thirty, eighteen hundred and ninety, entitled "An Act to apply a portion of the proceeds of the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of the College for the benefit of Agriculture and the

Acceptance of act of Congress