

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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may seize said logs and lumber and sell at public auction so many and so much thereof as shall be necessary to pay such tolls, costs and charges. Notice of the time and place of such sale shall be given fourteen days before such sale, in some newspaper printed in Machias.

SECT. 4. When said corporation shall have received from tolls its outlay on dams and improvements, and the repairs made up to that time, and eight per cent interest, then the tolls shall be reduced, pro rata, to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repair.

When tolls shall be reduced.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 22, 1891.

### Chapter 546.

An Act to incorporate the Gorham Water Company.

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

SECT. 1. Frank H. Emery, Frederick Robie, Henry R. Millett, Joseph Ridlon, George H. Griffin, Joseph F. Shackford, Roscoe G. Harding, Milton Shaw, Edward W. Guptill, Isaac W. Dyer, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Gorham Water Company for the purpose of conveying to and supplying the inhabitants of Gorham with water for all domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the general laws of the state of Maine.

Co. porators.

—corp orate name.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to take, hold and convey to said town of Gorham, and through any part thereof, or any adjoining town, water from the Little river in said town of Gorham, or from any other supply which may be selected within said town of Gorham, or adjoining town except from Sebago lake or the Presumpscot river; to survey for, locate, lay, erect and maintain suitable dams, reservoirs and machinery, pipes, aqueducts, hydrants and fixtures; to carry its pipes or aqueducts under or over any water course, creek, river, bridge, street, railroad, highway or other way, but in such manner, however, as not to obstruct

Purposes.

—shall not obstruct travel.

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—lay pipes through any private or public land.

—responsibility for all damages.

Shall file plans of location, in registry of deeds, Cumberland county.

Liability, for all damages, and how ascertained, in case of disagreement.

the same, and for that purpose to enter upon and excavate any street, road or way in such a manner as not to unnecessarily obstruct the same, and to take up, replace and repair all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures as may be necessary for said purposes, and to enter upon, pass over, excavate and flow any lands and to take and hold by purchase or otherwise, any real estate, rights of way or water. And said corporation is further authorized for the purpose of making all necessary repairs, surveys or connections, to lay its pipes through any private or public lands or ways, with the right to enter upon the same and dig therein, and said corporation may establish written regulations for the use of said water. Said corporation shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by such use of said streets and ways, and shall be further liable to pay to said town all sums recovered against said town for damages by reason of any defect in any highway, way or street therein occasioned by any fault or neglect of said company together with reasonable costs incurred in defending such suits; provided, said company shall have notice of any suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

SECT. 3. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds in the county of Cumberland, plans and descriptions of the location of all lands and water rights taken under the provisions of this act, and no entry shall be made upon any land, except to make surveys, until the expiration of twenty days from such filing, and with such plan the corporation may file a statement of the damages it is willing to pay to any person for any property so taken, and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed that sum the company shall recover costs against said person, otherwise such person shall recover such costs against said company.

SECT. 4. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person by the taking of any land or other property, or by flowage, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes and aqueducts, building dams and reservoirs, and also damages for any other injuries resulting from said acts; and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, and said corporation cannot mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person may cause his damages to be ascer-

tained in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages, by the laying out of railroads.

SECT. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. And said corporation for the purposes of this charter, may hold real or personal estate necessary or convenient therefor and not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

Capital stock.

—may hold real and personal estate, not exceeding \$100,000.

SECT. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with said town of Gorham and with other towns and corporations, associations and individuals for the purpose of supplying them with water as contemplated by this act; and said town of Gorham, by its selectmen or by its duly authorized agents, is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with said company for the supply of water and from such exemption from public burden as said town and said company may agree upon, which, when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto. Manufacturing and other corporations are hereby authorized to subscribe and hold stock of said Gorham Water Company.

Authorized to contract to furnish water.

—town, may contract for water, and exempt from taxation.

—other corporations, may take stock.

SECT. 7. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works upon such rates and times as it may deem expedient, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchises and property of said company.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

SECT. 8. The first meeting of said corporation shall be called by written notice thereof signed by any two corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand or by leaving same at his last usual place of abode seven days before the time of said meeting.

First meeting, how called.

SECT. 9. This act shall become null and void in two years from the approval hereof, unless said corporation shall have organized and commenced actual business under this charter.

When act shall be void.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.