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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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capital stock authorized and issued; and may secure the same by mortgage or mortgages on the franchise and property of said corporation.

First meeting,  
how called.

Section 10. The first meeting of the said corporation shall be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any two of the corporators named herein, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

Approved March 21, 1901.

### **Chapter 458.**

An Act to amend the charter of the Northport Wesleyan Grove Campmeeting Association.

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

Chapter 319,  
special laws  
1878,  
amended.

Section 1. Chapter three hundred and nineteen of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three, being an act to incorporate the Northport Wesleyan Campmeeting Association, is hereby amended so that all the words of section one of said act beginning with "George Pratt" and ending with "successors" and all words intervening be stricken out and the following words inserted: 'Isaac H. W. Wharff, Henry B. Dunbar, Frank H. Nickerson, Norris E. Bragg, Gardner L. Farrand, Nathan A. Nickerson and Thomas F. Jones, trustees, their associates and successors, the preachers of the East Maine Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal church, their associates and successors, with one representative from each Methodist Episcopal church or society having a society cottage or lot on the campground, also representatives from the owners of private cottages to the number of one-fourth of the number of the Methodist Episcopal church or society cottages or lots on campground, said representatives to be selected as set forth in section two of this act, "are hereby constituted a body" etc.' And after the words "fifty thousand dollars," insert 'to build and maintain streets, paths, walks, by-ways, parks, and sewers for the draining of cottages and lands situated within the bounds of the land of said association, and full power to control the same, with full control over the laying of all pipes for furnishing water or gas, and setting poles for supplying electricity for any purpose whatsoever, and also full control of establishing all electric railroads within the bounds of the property of said association.'

—trustees.

The following shall be inserted as section two of the amended charter to read as follows:

'Section 2. The Methodist Episcopal churches or societies having cottages or lots on the campground of said association shall elect their representatives at the quarterly conference or official board meeting held in their respective churches at least seven days before the annual meeting of said association. The private cottage owners shall meet for the election of their representatives at least seven days before the annual meeting of said association; and at said meeting of said private owners the whole number of votes cast for the election of representatives to the annual meeting of said campmeeting association shall not exceed the number of private cottages within the association bounds, but no private owner of a cottage or cottages shall have more than one vote. The number of representatives chosen by said private cottage owners shall not exceed one-fourth the number of Methodist Episcopal churches or society cottages or lots on the said association campground.'

Section 2  
amended.

Section two of said act of eighteen hundred and seventy-three shall be numbered four, and amended by inserting after the words "pro rata among" the word, 'churches;' change "holders" to 'holding;' and change words "of tent lots," in both places where used in this section to 'society lots;' so amended part of said section shall read, 'pro rata among churches holding society lots according to their value as appraised by a committee chosen by, said holders of society lots.'

Section 4  
amended.

The following shall be inserted as section three of the amended charter to read as follows:

'Section 3. The words, "subject to such rules and regulations as the association has adopted or may adopt from time to time," used in all leases given by said association shall be understood to mean: First, said association shall have the right to collect an admission fee to its said grounds whenever its trustees shall so elect, and the occupants of all lots at such times are to be subject to the same charge as the general public. Second, the premises conveyed by said association are not to be used for any purposes of business or as a public place of amusement, except by special vote of the trustees and on such conditions as they may indicate. No stable, pen for pigs, or other buildings, shed or pen, from which unpleasant or disagreeable odors may come, shall be erected on the premises. Third, the occupants of all lots shall at all times be subject to the rules of the association so far as they relate to the sale of merchandise on the grounds of said association, sanitary and police regulations.'

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Sections 3 and  
4 renum-  
bered.

Trustees and  
corporators.

—corporate  
name.

—powers.

Churches,  
owners of  
lots shall  
elect repre-  
sentatives.

—when pri-  
vate cottage  
owners shall  
elect repre-  
sentatives.

Sections three and four of the said act of eighteen hundred and seventy-three shall be numbered five and six, so the amended act shall read as follows:

'Section 1. Isaac H. W. Wharff, Henry B. Dunbar, Frank H. Nickerson, Norris E. Bragg, Gardner L. Farrand, Nathan A. Nickerson and Thomas F. Jones, trustees, their associates and successors; the preachers of the East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, their associates and successors; with one representative from each Methodist Episcopal church or society having a society cottage or lot on the campground, also representatives from the owners of private cottages to the number of one-fourth of the number of Methodist Episcopal church or society cottages or lots on the campground, said representatives to be elected or selected as set forth in section two of this act, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Northport Wesleyan Grove Campmeeting Association, with full power by that name to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to take and hold by gift or purchase, property, real and personal, to the amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, to build and maintain streets, paths, walks, by-ways, parks, and sewers for the drainage of cottages and lands situated within the bounds of the lands of said association and full power to control the same, with full control over the laying of all pipes for furnishing water or gas, and setting poles for supplying electricity for any purpose whatsoever, and also full control of establishing of all electric railroads within the bounds of the property of said association, to sell and convey the same and to establish such by-laws and regulations as are necessary for the further and proper management of their affairs, consistent with the laws of this state.

'Section 2. Methodist Episcopal churches or societies having cottages or lots on the campground of said association shall elect their representatives at the quarterly conference or official board meeting held in their respective churches at least seven days before the annual meeting of said association. The private cottage owners within the limits of said association shall meet for the election of their representatives at least seven days before the annual meeting of said association; and they are empowered to organize for the purpose of electing delegates to the meetings of association; and said cottage owners may elect a chairman and clerk, who shall serve until their successors are elected. At said meeting of said private cottage owners the whole number of votes cast for the election of representatives to the annual meeting of said campmeeting association shall not exceed the number of private cottages within the association bounds, but no owner of a cottage or cottages shall have more than one vote. The

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number of representatives chosen by said private cottage owners shall not exceed one-fourth the number of Methodist Episcopal church or society cottages or lots on said association camp-ground. It shall be the duty of the president of said association to call the first meeting of such cottage owners and to notify them as to the number of delegates to which they are entitled in the meetings of said association, under the terms of this charter; and said association, through its president, shall annually thereafter, at least thirty days before the annual meeting of said association, notify said cottage owners as to the number of delegates to which they are entitled as aforesaid.'

Number of representatives.

—first meeting, how called.

'Section 3. The words 'subject to such rules and regulations as the association has adopted or may adopt from time to time,' used in all leases given by said association shall be understood to mean: First, said association shall have the right to collect an admission fee to its said grounds whenever its trustees shall so elect, and the occupants of all lots at such times are to be subject to the same charge as the general public. Second, the premises conveyed by said association are not to be used for any purpose of business or as a public place of amusement, except by special vote of the trustees and on such conditions as they may indicate. No stable, pen for pigs, or other buildings, shed or pen, from which unpleasant or disagreeable odors may come shall be erected on the premises. Third, the occupants of all lots shall at all times be subject to the rules of the association so far as they relate to the sale of merchandise on the grounds, of said association, sanitary and police regulations.'

Rules and regulations, meaning of.

—admission fee.

—premises not to be used for business or amusement.

—nuisances not permitted.

—sanitary and police regulations shall be observed.

Section 4. When the lands of said association shall cease to be used by it, as a place of religious worship, they shall be sold and the proceeds of such sale divided pro rata among churches holding society lots according to their value as appraised by a committee chosen by said holders of society lots by lease; notice of time and place of such meeting to be given in one or more papers in Bangor and Belfast, at least three weeks before the time of such meeting.

When lands cease to be used for worship shall be sold.

Section 5. This association shall have the right to build and extend into the tide waters on their lands, such wharfs as may be necessary to make the landing convenient. Said wharves may be closed to the landing of all boats, vessels or steamers on Sunday as said association or its trustees may direct.

May extend lands and wharves into tide waters.

Section 6. Any person named in this act may call the first meeting of said association, by giving due notice.

First meeting, how called.