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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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**Chapter 22.**

An Act to establish a Street and Sewer Commission for the city of Bath.

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

Section 1. All work done and money expended by the city of Bath in the building and maintenance of streets, sidewalks, bridges, public landings and drains and sewers shall be under the direction of a board to be designated the Street and Sewer Commission, who shall have charge and control of all property and apparatus held by the city of Bath for use in this department and shall have the powers of surveyors of highways.

Bath Street and Sewer Commission, powers and duties of, defined

Section 2. This board shall consist of five members, including the mayor, who shall be a member, *ex-officio*.

Board, how constituted.

Section 3. The other four members to be citizens of Bath, who shall be elected by the voters at the annual municipal election in March, one to be elected each year to serve four years.

How elected.

Section 4. At the first election of this board four members shall be elected, one to serve one year, one to serve two years, one to serve three years and one to serve four years, the term of each to be determined by lot among the members at their first meeting.

Term of each, how determined.

Section 5. Any vacancy occurring in the board may be filled for the remainder of the current municipal year by ballot of the city council in joint convention, and at the next municipal election a member shall be elected to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

Vacancies, how filled.

Section 6. No member of the city council shall be eligible for service upon this board, and no two members of the board shall be residents of the same ward.

No member of city council and no two residents of same ward eligible.

Section 7. This board shall on the third Monday in March organize by the choice of one of its members, other than the mayor, as chairman, and shall elect a secretary whose duty it shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the board, to notify members of meetings and perform such other duties as the board may elect.

Organization of board.

Section 8. The board shall also elect a superintendent of streets and sewers who shall have executive charge of work under the direction and control of the board. He may contract for necessary labor and materials subject at all times to the approval of the board, to whom he shall render an account monthly, or oftener if required, of all receipts, expenditures and outstanding bills.

Shall elect a superintendent.

—his powers and duties.

Section 9. The weekly pay roll and all bills not passed upon by the board shall be approved by the chairman of the board,

Pay roll and bills, how approved.

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or in his absence by some member designated by him before being paid from the city treasury.

Compensation of officers.

Section 10. The compensation of the secretary of the board and of the superintendent of streets and sewers shall be fixed by the board and shall be paid from the appropriation made for the work of the board.

Board shall, at beginning of each year, submit estimates, etc., to city council.

Section 11. The board shall, at the beginning of each year, submit to the city council for its guidance in making appropriations, a statement of work proposed to be done in its department, with approximate estimates of cost, and such other information regarding its work as the city council may require, and shall at the close of the year make a full, detailed report to the city council of receipts and expenditures and of work done, and shall have no authority to make expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated for its use by the city council, and no part of said appropriation shall be paid to any member of the board for services as a member of the commission.

—at close of year shall make report.

When first election under this act shall be held.

Section 12. The first election under this act shall be held at the municipal election next after the act shall have been accepted by the city of Bath, and the other provisions of the act shall take effect at the beginning of the municipal year immediately following, and any and all acts or parts of acts now in force which conflict with the same are hereby repealed.

—inconsistent acts, repealed

Section 13. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 12, 1903.

## Chapter 23.

An Act to confer additional powers upon the Lincoln County Street Railway.

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

Lincoln County Street Railway authorized to maintain a street railroad in Wiscasset, Edgecomb, Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor and Newcastle.

Section 1. The Lincoln County Street Railway, a corporation duly created under the general laws of this state, is hereby authorized to construct, operate and maintain a street railroad, for street traffic for the conveyance of persons and property, in the towns of Wiscasset, Edgecomb, Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, and Newcastle, along and over such streets, roads and ways as shall, from time to time, be determined by the municipal officers of said towns, upon petition of said company, and over and across such lands as may seem advisable and necessary to said company, with such single or double tracks, sidetracks, switches, turnouts, stations and appurtenances, and with such poles, wires and appliances as shall be reasonably convenient in the premises, with all the powers and privileges incident to or usually granted to similar corporations.