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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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**Chapter 154.**

An Act for the better protection of Deer in the County of York.

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

Section 1. No person shall take, catch, kill, chase or hunt any deer in the county of York, except during the month of October of each year, and no person shall during the open season in this county, take, catch, kill or have in possession more than two deer or parts thereof. Whoever shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty of one hundred dollars and costs for each offense.

Close time on deer, in York county.

Section 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

Approved March 11, 1903.

**Chapter 155.**

An Act to incorporate the Liberty Water Company.

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

Section 1. Lucius C. Morse, J. J. Walker, W. J. Knowlton, Arthur Ritchie and A. C. Crockett, and such persons as they may associate with themselves in the enterprise, and their successors, are hereby incorporated into a corporation by the name of the Liberty Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the town of Liberty, in the county of Waldo, and the inhabitants of said town, with pure water for industrial, manufacturing, domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including extinguishment of fires.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—purposes.

Section 2. Said company, for said purposes, may detain, collect, take, store, use and distribute water from Saint George's lake or stream, or any other water source or sources, in said town of Liberty.

May take water in town of Liberty.

Section 3. Said company is hereby authorized to lay, construct, and maintain in, under, through, along and across the highways, ways, streets and bridges in said town, and to take up, replace and repair all such sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants, and structures as may be necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, under such reasonable restrictions and conditions as the selectmen may impose. And said company shall be

May lay pipes, in and across highways, etc.

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responsible for all damage to all corporations, persons and property occasioned by the use of such highways, ways and streets, and shall pay to said town all sums recovered against said town for damages from obstruction caused by said corporation, and for all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same.

May cross  
water  
courses, etc.

Section 4. Said company shall have power to cross any water course, public or private sewer, or to change the direction thereof when necessary for the purpose of their corporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, and said company shall be liable for any injury caused thereby. Whenever said company shall lay down any fixture in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall, at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements thus removed by it, to be replaced in proper condition.

-damages.

May lay pipes  
in highways.

Section 5. Said company is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain its pipes under the highways, ways and streets in said Liberty and to build and maintain all necessary structures thereof, to build dams and reservoirs for storage of water across any brook or stream in said Liberty.

-may build  
dams.

May take  
lands.

Section 6. Said company may take and hold any lands necessary for reservoirs, hydrants and other necessary structures, and may locate, lay and maintain pipes, hydrants and other necessary structures or fixtures in, over and through any land for its purposes, and excavate in and through such lands for such locations, construction and maintenance. It may enter upon such lands to make surveys and locations and shall file in the registry of deeds in said county of Waldo, plans for such locations and lands showing the property taken.

-may make  
surveys.

Damages,  
how  
assessed.

Section 7. Should the said company and the owner of such land, be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may within twelve months after said filing of plans of location, apply to the county commissioners of said county of Waldo and cause such damages to be assessed 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 highways, so far as such law is consistent with the provisions of this act.

May contract  
to supply  
water.

Section 8. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, and with corporations and inhabitants of said town of Liberty, or any village corporation or association in said town, for the purpose of supplying water as

contemplated by this act, and said town of Liberty, or part thereof, is hereby authorized by its selectmen to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water for any and all purposes mentioned in this act, and for such exemption from public burden as said town and said company may agree, which, when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto. Any village corporation in said town through its assessors, is also authorized to contract with said company for water for all public purposes.

Section 9. Whoever shall wilfully or maliciously corrupt the water of said company, whether frozen or not, or in any way render such water impure, or whoever shall wilfully or maliciously injure any of the works of said company, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding two years, and shall be liable to said company for three times the actual damage, to be recovered in any proper action.

Corruption of water, how punished.

Section 10. The capital stock of said company shall be ten thousand dollars, which may be increased to fifty thousand dollars by a vote of said company, and said stock shall be divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each.

Capital stock.

Section 11. Said company for all of its said purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount one hundred thousand dollars.

May hold real and personal property.

Section 12. Said company may issue its bonds for the construction of its works of any and all kinds, upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, not exceeding the sum of fifty thousand dollars, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of said company.

May issue bonds.

—may mortgage property.

Section 13. The first meeting of said company may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any three corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting.

First meeting, how called.

Section 14. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1903.