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ACTS AND RESOLVES
OF THE
SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1905.

Chapter 13.

An Act to validate and legalize the organization of Muscle Ridge Plantation.

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

Section 1. The incorporation and organization of Muscle Ridge plantation, as organized at a meeting of said plantation held on the twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, in accordance with the return made to the secretary of state on said twenty-eighth day of October, and received by him October thirty-one, nineteen hundred and four, is hereby declared to be and is made the legal and valid organization of the territory therein described, and said territory is thereby organized as, and constituted a plantation in accordance with the votes passed at said meeting, and entitled to all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities of plantations organized under section one hundred and fifteen, chapter four and the following sections of the revised statutes, and the acts done by said plantation are hereby ratified and declared valid.

Organization made valid.

--acts made valid.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1905.

Chapter 14.

An Act to provide for sewerage in the town of Caribou.

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

Section 1. George W. Irving, Everett E. Haynes and John P. Donworth with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Caribou Sewer Company, for the purpose of providing in the town and village of Caribou, a system of public sewers and drainage, for the comfort, convenience and health of the people of said Caribou, with all the rights, privileges and immunities incident to similar corporations.

Corporators.

Section 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold real and personal estate, necessary and convenient for the purpose aforesaid, not exceeding in amount fifty thousand dollars; may sell and convey the same; may issue certificates of stock to an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock, and may issue and sell bonds to an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock to aid in the construction of works.

May hold real and personal estate not to exceed \$50,000.

--may issue certificates of stock.

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May take
land for
basins, etc.

Section 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take and hold by purchase or otherwise, any land, or real estate or easement therein, necessary for forming basins, reservoirs and outlets; for erecting buildings for pumping works, and for laying and maintaining conduits for carrying and collecting, discharging and disposing of sewerage matter and waters and for any other object necessary, convenient and proper for the purpose of this act.

May
construct
conduits into
Aroostook
river.

Section 4. Said corporation may construct conduits, in manner aforesaid, in and through said village of Caribou, to and into the Aroostook river, the discharge therefrom to be at such points in said river as the municipal officers of said town have designated, at or near the Aroostook river bridge in said village of Caribou, and convey through the same sewage, surface water and the natural flowage of existing water courses, and secure and maintain basins, reservoirs and outlets; may construct and maintain flush tanks, man holes, lamp holes, and all usual appliances for collecting, holding, distributing, and disposing of sewerage matter; may establish regulations for the use of sewers and fix and collect the prices to be paid for entering the same, and also the annual rental for using thereof; and said corporation is hereby authorized for the purposes aforesaid, under permission of the municipal officers of said town, and under such restrictions and regulations as said municipal officers have prescribed, to lay down in and through the streets, highways and lands of said town, and take up, replace and repair all such conduits, pipes and fixtures, as may be necessary for the objects of its corporation; to carry and lay conduits, any pipes under any water course, railway or private way, and to cross any drain or sewer, or, if necessary, to change its direction in such a manner as not to obstruct the use thereof, and to enter and dig up any such street, road or way for the purpose of laying down pipes beneath the surface thereof, for placing man holes or other fixtures, and for maintaining and repairing the same, and in general, to do any other act or things necessary, convenient and proper to be done for the purposes of this act.

--may
maintain
flush tanks,
etc.

--may fix
rates and
prices for
entering and
use of.

May lay
down,
replace and
repair pipes,
etc.

Shall file
description
of land taken.

Section 5. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds, for the southern district of Aroostook county, a certificate containing a description of land taken, or in which an easement may be taken, under the provisions of this act, and a statement of the purposes for which it is taken to be recorded by the registry; and such land or easement, shall be deemed to be taken upon the filing of said certificate.

--for record
in registry
of deeds.

Section 6. Said corporation shall be liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person in his property by taking of any land, or easement therein, under the provisions of this act; and if any person sustaining damage as aforesaid, and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum to be paid thereof, such person may cause his damages to be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the location of railroads.

Damages,
how assessed.

Section 7. Said corporation, at all times, after it shall commence receiving pay for the facilities supplied by it, shall be bound to permit the owners of all premises, abutting upon its lines of pipes and conduits, to enter the same with all proper sewerage, upon conformity to the rules and regulations of said company, and payment of the prices and rentals established therefor.

Abutters
shall have
right to enter
sewer.

Section 8. Any person who shall place or leave any offensive or injurious matter or materials in the conduits, catch basins or receptacles of said corporation, contrary to its regulations, or shall wilfully injure any conduit, pipe, reservoir, flush tank, catch basin, man hole, lamp hole, outlet, engine, pump or other property held, owned or used by said corporation for the purposes of this act, shall pay twice the amount of damages to said corporation, to be recovered in any proper action; and every such person, on conviction of either of said acts of wilful injury aforesaid, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, and by imprisonment not exceeding one year.

Injury to
property of
corporation
forbidden.

—penalty for
violation.

Section 9. The affairs of said corporation shall be controlled by a board of directors, consisting of not less than three members, two-thirds of whom shall be citizens of the town of Caribou, and elected annually by vote of the stock holders of the corporation; and the board of directors shall choose such officers as may, from time to time, be required by the by-laws of the corporation.

Board of
directors.

Section 10. Any one of the persons mentioned in the first section of this act, may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving one week's notice to each of the others.

First meeting,
how called.

Section 11. This act shall take effect when approved.