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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Seventy-fourth
Legislature

1909

Chapter 272.

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Belfast.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 4,
of charter
amended.

Section four of the charter of the city of Belfast is hereby amended by inserting after the word "year" first appearing in said section four, the words 'except road commissioner, who shall be elected by ballot, as now done by towns, at an annual election for a term of two years,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Executive
powers shall
be vested in
mayor and
aldermen.

'Section 4. The executive powers of said city generally, and the administration of police, with all the powers of selectmen of the town of Belfast, shall be vested in the mayor and aldermen as fully as if the same had been herein particularly enumerated; all other powers now vested in the inhabitants of said town, and all powers granted by this act, shall be vested in the mayor and aldermen and common council of said city, to be exercised by concurrent vote, each board to have a negative upon the other; but all elections of officers by the city council shall be by joint ballot of the two boards in convention. The city council shall, annually, on the third Monday of March, or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, elect and appoint all the subordinate officers and agents for the city for the ensuing year, except road commissioner, who shall be elected by ballot, as now done by towns, at an annual election for a term of two years, including a chief engineer and other engineers of the fire department, which chief engineer, or in his absence, any two other engineers, shall have all the power and authority that fire wards now have; shall define their duties and fix their compensation, in cases where such duties and compensation shall not be defined and fixed by laws of this state; and may by concurrent vote remove officers, when in their opinion sufficient cause for removal exists. All officers shall be chosen and vacancies supplied for the current year, except as herein otherwise directed. All the said subordinate officers and agents shall hold their offices during the ensuing year and until others shall be elected and qualified in their stead, unless sooner removed by the city council. All moneys received and collected for and on account of the city, by any officer or agent thereof, shall forthwith be paid into the city treasury. The city council shall take care that moneys shall not be paid from the treasury unless granted or appropriated; shall secure a prompt and just accountability, by requiring bonds with sufficient penalty and sureties from all persons trusted with the receipt, custody or disbursement

—other
powers.

—subordi-
nate offi-
cers, how
chosen.

—road com-
missioner,
election and
tenure.

—fire de-
partment.

—define du-
ties and fix
compensa-
tion.

—removal
of officers.

—tenure of
officers.

—all mon-
eys to be
paid into
city treas-
ury.

—money
shall not
be paid
from treas-
ury unless
appropri-
ated.

of money; shall have the care and superintendence of city buildings and the custody and management of all city property, with power to let or sell what may be legally let or sold; and to purchase and to take in the name of the city, such real or personal property, not exceeding the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, including the property now owned by the town, as they may think useful to the public interest. And the city council shall, often as once a year, cause to be published for the information of the inhabitants, a particular account of the receipts and expenditures and a schedule of the city property, and no money shall be paid from the treasury unless the same be appropriated by the city council, and upon a warrant signed by the mayor, which warrant shall state the appropriation under which the same is drawn.

—care of
city build-
ing, etc.

—report of
receipts and
expendi-
tures.

Approved March 24, 1909.

Chapter 273.

An Act to extend the time in which the Van Buren Sewerage Company is authorized to organize and commence business.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the private and special laws of the year nineteen hundred and three, continued in force by virtue of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the private and special laws of the year nineteen hundred and five, and further continued in force by virtue of chapter four hundred and nine of the private and special laws of the year nineteen hundred and seven, is hereby continued in force, and the corporators named therein are hereby given a further period of two years from the date of the approval of this act in which to organize and commence business under said act.

Charter
extended.

Approved March 24, 1909.

Chapter 274.

An Act relating to the Richmond Electric Company.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. The Richmond Electric Company, a corporation organized under the general laws of the state of Maine, is hereby authorized to make, generate, sell, distribute, and supply electricity for lighting, heating, power or mechanical purposes, in the towns of Richmond and Bowdoinham, county of Sagadahoc and state of Maine.

Authorized
to generate,
and supply
electricity.