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Capital stock.

Section 9. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, said stock to be divided into five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

First meeting, how called.

Section 10. The first meeting of this corporation, may be called by written notice, signed by any one of the incorporators and served upon each of the other incorporators, at least seven days before the day of said meeting.

May contract for supplying water.

Section 11. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with said town of Cherryfield, and with other corporations and individuals, for the purpose of supplying water, for municipal and other purposes; and said town by its selectmen, is hereby authorized to enter into contract with said company for the supply of water, with such exemption from public burden as said town and said company may agree upon, which, when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto.

After five years, town may purchase water works.

Section 12. Said town of Cherryfield at any time after the expiration of five years from the opening for use and service of a system of water works constructed by said corporation and after a vote in a legal town meeting to that effect has been passed, shall have the right to purchase, and by this act said corporation is required to sell to said town said system of water works including everything appertaining thereto, and if said town and corporation cannot agree upon the terms, and price as shall be determined and fixed by the chief justice of the supreme court of the state of Maine, after due hearing of the parties interested, and from the decision of said chief justice there shall be no appeal.

Approved March 16, 1911.

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**Chapter 114.**

An Act to incorporate the Norridgewock Water Company.

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

Incorporators.

Section 1. Justin D. Ames, F. L. Ames and Ernest Gilman, all of Norridgewock in the county of Somerset, with their successors and associates, are hereby made a body corporate by the name of the Norridgewock Water Company, for the purpose of conveying to, and supplying the inhabitants of the said town of Norridgewock with water for domestic, sanitary, municipal and commercial purposes, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the general laws of this state.

—corporate name.  
—purposes.

May take and hold necessary real estate.

Section 2. Said corporation may take and hold by purchase or otherwise, real and personal estate necessary and convenient

for the purposes aforesaid not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

Section 3. For any of the purposes aforesaid, or for the preservation and purity of said water, said corporation is hereby authorized to take and use water, from Amese's springs, so-called, in the town of Norridgewock, or from Sawyer's or Sucker brook, so-called, also in the town of Norridgewock, or from the Kennebec river at that place, to conduct and distribute the same into and through the town of said Norridgewock, to survey for, locate, lay, erect and maintain suitable dams, reservoirs, machinery, pipes, aqueducts and fixtures; to carry its pipes or aqueducts over or under any water course, bridge, street, railroad, highway or other way; and said corporation is further authorized to enter upon and excavate any highway or other way in such a manner as to least obstruct the same.

Source of water supply.

—may erect dams and lay pipes.

To enter, pass over, and excavate any lands, and in general to do any act necessary, convenient or proper, for carrying out any of the purposes hereinbefore specified. And said corporation may establish written regulations for the use of said water, and change the same from time to time.

—may enter and pass over lands.

Section 4. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds in the county of Somerset, plans of the location of all lands and water rights taken under the provision of this act, and no entry shall be made upon any lands except to make surveys, until the expiration of ten days from said filing; and with such plan the corporation may file a statement of the damages it is willing to pay to any person for any property thus taken, and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed that sum, the corporation shall recover costs against said person, otherwise such person shall recover costs against the corporation.

Shall file plans of locations, etc.

—statement of damages willing to pay.

Section 5. Said corporation shall be held to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person or persons, to themselves or their property, occasioned by the use of said streets and ways, and shall pay to said town all sums recovered against said town of Norridgewock, from obstructions occasioned by said corporation, and for all expenses including reasonable counsel fees, incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same, but said corporation may assume the defense of suits brought to recover damages as aforesaid; and also for damages sustained by any person or persons by the taking of any lands, water, rights of way, or other property, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of surveying, locating, laying or building dams, reservoirs, pipes and aqueducts, and for any other injuries resulting from said acts; and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid shall not agree with said corpora-

Shall be held for damages.

—may defend suits.

—damages, how assessed, if parties fail to agree.

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tion upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party, upon petition to the county commissioners of Somerset county, within twelve months after said plans are filed, may have said damages assessed by them, and subsequent proceedings, and rights of appeal thereon shall be had 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. Failure to apply for damages within said twelve months shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

May lay pipes, etc., in and through streets.

Section 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay down and maintain in and through the streets and ways of the town aforesaid, all said pipes, aqueducts, and fixtures as may be necessary for the purposes hereinbefore specified.

—may contract for supplying water.

Said town of Norridgewock is hereby authorized to contract with the said corporation for a supply of water for fire or for other purposes for a term of years, and at the expiration of such contract to renew or change the same.

Shall not interfere with existing rights.

Section 7. Said corporation shall not by this charter acquire any rights to, or interfere in any way with, the existing rights of those persons who are now supplying water from springs to the inhabitants of Norridgewock, or with the rights of such person or persons as may desire to take spring water for their own use and furnish it to such other person or persons as may wish for said spring water.

After five years, town or water district may purchase water works.

Section 8. Said town of Norridgewock, or any quasi-public service corporation, chartered as a water district in said Norridgewock, in said county of Somerset, at any time after the expiration of five years from the passage of this act and after a vote in legal town meeting to that effect, or a vote passed at a meeting of said water district, shall have the right to purchase, and by this act said corporation is required to sell to said town or said water district, said system of water works, including everything herewith, together with the franchise of said corporation, at a price to be agreed upon between said company and said town, or said water district, and if said price cannot be agreed upon, then at a price that shall be determined by a commission of three competent and disinterested men to be appointed by the chief justice of the supreme judicial court of Maine. In determination of said price said commission shall allow for said franchise a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars. The award of said commission shall be binding upon said company and said town, or water district, and said town or water district shall pay the amount of said award for said system of water works and franchise within ninety days from the date when such award shall be rendered. The cost of said commission

—price to be agreed upon.

—price, how determined, if parties fail to agree.

shall be bourn equally by said company and said town or water district.

Section 9. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars. Capital stock.

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

Section 11. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue bonds, not to exceed in amount one-half of its capital stock, the same to be a first lien upon its franchise and property. May issue bonds.

Approved March 16, 1911.

## Chapter 115.

An Act to incorporate the Town of Eagle Lake.

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

Section 1. Township number sixteen in the seventh range of townships, west of the east line of the state of Maine, heretofore known as Eagle Lake plantation, is hereby incorporated as a town under the name of Eagle Lake; and the inhabitants thereof are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges and subject to the duties and liabilities incident to other towns in this state. Town incorporated.

Section 2. The collectors of the plantation of Eagle Lake shall have power to finish the collection of all taxes which shall have been committed to them for collection prior to the passage of this act, and to settle with and pay the same to the treasurer of the town of Eagle Lake; and the several officers of said plantation are empowered to perform all the duties of town officers in the town created by this act, until their successors shall have been legally chosen and qualified as town officers of the town of Eagle Lake under this act. Collection of taxes.  
—duties of officers.

Section 3. Any justice of the peace may call the first meeting of the town of Eagle Lake by posting a warrant therefore, stating the objects of said meeting, in three public and conspicuous places in said town, at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting. First meeting, how called.

Section 4. All property now belonging to Eagle Lake plantation shall belong to, and the title thereof is hereby vested in the town of Eagle Lake. Title to property.