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—shall be ratified by legal voters at special meeting.

Section 4. This act shall not become operative unless it is ratified by the legal voters of said town of Eden, at a town meeting to be called and held in August, nineteen hundred fifteen, by warrant containing an article for that purpose. Said ratification shall be by written or printed "Yes" or "No" ballot provided by town clerk for that purpose.

Approved April 2, 1915.

Chapter 202.

An Act to Incorporate the Wells Beach Lighting District.

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

Wells Beach Lighting District incorporated. Section I. That part of the territory of the town of Wells, in the county of York, embraced, within the following limits:

—territory included.

Beginning at a point where the Lower Post road crosses Maryland river, so-called; thence following the line of the western division of the Boston and Maine Railroad to the railroad crossing near the former residence of Herbert Bragdon; thence running a southwesterly course to the Ogunquit river, at a point on said river one thousand feet above the old dam near the residence of John Tebbitts; thence southeasterly by said river and the line of Ogunquit Village Corporation to the ocean; thence by the ocean, northeasterly, to Maryland river; thence by said river to the place of beginning, together with the inhabitants within said territory, is hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of Wells Beach Lighting District.

—may supply lights in said district. Section 2. Said district is hereby authorized and vested with the power to provide for the lighting of all roads, streets or ways within its limits, and may establish, maintain or discontinue any lights as may be necessary for the purpose of lighting said district, and shall have authority to contract with any individual, firm or corporation to furnish light for purposes above mentioned.

Officers of corporation.

Section 3. The officers of said corporation shall be a clerk, three assessors and treasurer and collector and the treasurer and collector may be one person; and said corporation may have such other officers as the by-laws thereof may require. Said corporation is empowered to adopt, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, a code of by-laws for the government of the same, and for the proper management of its prudential affairs and other purposes connected therewith, provided said

-may adopt by-laws. by-laws are not repugnant to the laws of the State. Such code of by-laws may be altered or amended at any legal meeting of the corporation, in the call for which, notices of the proposed change have been given. The officers aforesaid shall be sworn and the treasurer shall give bond to said corporation in such sum as the assessors may direct, which said bond shall be approved by the assessors. All persons residing within the limits of said district, who would be legal voters in the town of Wells, shall be legal voters at any meeting of the corporation, and the assessors of said corporation shall determine who are legal voters. Any person who is a legal voter within the limits of said district may be elected or appointed to any office therein, but shall cease to hold said office whenever he ceases to be a resident of said district.

Section 4. Said assessors shall be the general municipal officers of said corporation, and shall have general charge of the expenditure of all money raised under this act. Said assessors shall have the same authority, for the purposes of the act, to assess taxes on all property within said-district, as the assessors of the town now have, the same to be computed on the valuation on the property within said district as made annually by the assessors of the said town of Wells, to be a charge against all property assessed, and payment of such taxes to be enforced by the treasurer of said corporation in accordance with the provisions of chapter ten of the Revised Statutes and amendments thereto.

Section 5. The first election of officers shall be at the meeting at which this charter is accepted. Said officers shall hold their respective offices until the next annual meeting of the corporation, at which said meeting officers shall be elected, and thereafterward at each annual meeting. But in any event all officers duly elected shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The annual meeting of said corporation shall be held on the first Monday of April of each year, and all assessments of taxes made under this act after the year nineteen hundred fifteen shall be made as of the same date, and for the year nineteen hundred fifteen shall be assessed as of date of acceptance of this charter.

Section 6. Whenever this charter shall be accepted by a majority of the voters of said district, present and voting at a meeting called for that purpose, then the same shall take and have effect in all its parts. This charter may be accepted as soon as a meeting may be legally called after this act shall become a law.

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—Treasurer shall give bond.

—rights of voters in district.

Assessors shall have charge of said corporation.

—first election of officers.

—annual meetings.

Charter shall be accepted by majority of voters.

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-calling of meeting of corporation previous to acceptance of charter. Section 7. Any justice of the peace or notary public in the county of York may call a meeting of the corporation previous to the acceptance of this charter and the election of officers, and notify the persons entitled to vote therein to meet at some suitable time and place within the limits of said district, by posting notices in two places within said district, at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting. All subsequent meetings shall be called and notified by the assessors of said district as town meetings are called and notified. Any legal voter in said district is authorized to preside at any meeting previous to the acceptance of this charter, until the meeting is organized, and until a moderator shall have been chosen and sworn. At all meetings of the corporation a moderator shall be chosen in the same manner and with the same powers as moderators at town meetings.

Approved April 2, 1915.

Chapter 203.

An Act to Amend Chapter Seven of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred Three, Relating to the Bar Harbor Municipal Court.

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

Ch. 7, Sec. 3, P. & S. Laws of 1903, amended.

Governor shall appoint a recorder.

—recorder shall give bonds,

-duties of recorder.

Section 1. Section three of chapter seven of the Private and Special Laws of nineteen hundred three is hereby amended so that it shall read as follows:

The Governor by and with the consent of the 'Section 3. Council, shall appoint a recorder of said court, who shall be a resident of the town of Eden and a member of the Hancock county bar, and hold his said office for the term of four years. Said recorder shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties, and shall give bonds in such sum as the county commissioners shall approve. He may administer oaths and shall have such powers and perform such duties in civil matters as are possessed and performed by clerks of the Supreme Judicial courts; and in case of the absence of the judge or when the office of the judge shall be vacant, the said recorder shall have and exercise all the powers of judge by this act relating to both civil and criminal proceedings as fully and with the same effect as the judge could do if he were acting in the premises; and the signature of the recorder, as such, shall be sufficient evidence of his right to act instead of the judge. Said recorder

—salary of recorder.