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Chapter 102.

An Act to Amend Chapter Two Hundred Eighteen of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Eleven, Entitled "An Act to Supply the Town of North Haven with Pure Water."

Emergency Preamble. Whereas, furnishing the people, both permanent and summer residents, living in that part of Vinalhaven bordering Fox Island Thoroughfare, with pure water for domestic purposes is an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of public health and safety, and,

Whereas, the same is to be furnished as a part of the water supply of the municipality of North Haven, and not by any corporation within the meaning of that word as used in the constitution of the State of Maine, as amended; now therefore,

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1911, c. 218, § 3, amended. That section three of said chapter two hundred eighteen is hereby amended by inserting after the words "any lands" in the first paragraph of said section, the words 'easements, rights of way,' so that the first paragraph of said section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Authority granted to take any easement or right of way. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, said town of North Haven, by its municipal officers, shall have power and is hereby authorized to take and hold by purchase or otherwise, any lands, easements, rights of way, or real estate necessary for laying and maintaining pipes, aqueducts, locks, gates, hydrants, dams, standpipes, reservoirs for taking, conducting, conveying, storing, holding, discharging, and distributing, and for roadways to be used as approaches thereto, doing no unnecessary damage.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1911, c. 218, § 5, amended. Section five of said chapter two hundred eighteen is hereby amended by striking out the words at the end of the first sentence in said section reading as follows: "upon lands taken as hereinbefore prescribed," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 5. May be constructed on lands not prescribed herein. The town of North Haven, by its municipal officers, is authorized and empowered to contract with any person or corporation to construct aqueducts, pipes, locks, gates, hydrants, dams, standpipes and reservoirs and any other structures necessary for a system of water works. And in case any such company or corporation is organized to construct any such aqueduct, it is empowered to place all or any part of its capital stock in the name of a trustee or trustees, and to contract that said trustee, or trustees, shall sell and deliver the same to the said town of North Haven in installments from year to year, as may be agreed upon.'

Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1911, c. 218, § 7, amended. Section seven of said chapter two hundred eighteen is hereby amended by inserting the word 'and'

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between the words "town" and "lay" in the fourth line, and by striking out from said section the words reading as follows: "and fill the trenches under the direction of the road commissioner of said town, or such person as may be acting in that capacity for the time being," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 7. Not necessary for trenches to be refilled under supervision of road commissioner, or agent. Said town of North Haven, through its municipal officers, is authorized for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act, to dig up and excavate any highway in said town, and lay pipes therein.'

Sec. 4. Rights and powers. Said town of North Haven under its charter shall have the right to furnish water for all its chartered purposes in that part of the town of Vinalhaven lying within two miles of Fox Island Thoroughfare, with the right to lay one or more lines of pipe across said Thoroughfare in such locations as may be approved by the United States Government.

All the provisions of said charter shall apply to the territory described in this section in the same manner they now apply to said town of North Haven, and said town shall have the right to furnish water for supplying shipping.

Said town of North Haven may by vote lease by one or more leases, the whole or any part of its rights conferred by this section, and such lessees within the limitations of their leases shall have all the rights of said town.

Sec. 5. Date when effective. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1917.

Chapter 103.

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Harmony Water Company.

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

Sec. 1. Charter extended for two years. All the rights, powers and privileges of the Harmony Water Company which were granted by chapter one hundred and seventy-one of the private and special laws for the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, are hereby extended for and during the period of two years from the first day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen; and all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said act, may and shall be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in said act to the persons therein named, and their associates and successors.

Sec. 2. Existing statutes continued in force. Nothing herein contained is intended to repeal or shall be construed as repealing the whole or any part of any existing statute. And all the rights and duties herein mentioned shall be exercised and performed in accordance with all the applicable provisions of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes.

Approved March 26, 1917.