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fifty-one and three hundred and fifty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and chapter two hundred fifty-five of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and five, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the erection or alteration of any structure or the improvement of any water ways in contravention of said chapters three hundred fifty-one and three hundred fifty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-seven and chapter two hundred fifty-five of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred five, all of which shall remain in full force and effect; except that in case of drought during the period from July first to March fifteenth in any year, said Gould Electric Company may impound waters in Munsungan and Millinocket and Mooseleuk lakes aforesaid by improvement and use of the dams located on said lakes, without hindrance, however, to the use of water for the driving of logs by the Ashland Company, its successors and assigns and the Ashland Manufacturing Company, its successors and assigns, and persons or corporations to them incurring obligations for tolls therefor.

Sec. 5. State may take over property and franchise. The State of Maine reserves the right to acquire by proper legislation and by such agencies as it may provide for the purpose the whole or any part of the franchises and rights hereby granted and the whole or any part of the structures erected by authority of this act upon the payment of just compensation; but such compensation shall not include the value of the franchises granted by this act.

Approved April 4, 1921.

Chapter 112.

An Act to Amend Chapter Four Hundred and Thirty-six of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Thirty-four, Entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the City of Bangor," and Acts Amendatory thereof or Additional thereto.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1834, c. 436, as amended; relating to the charter of the city of Bangor, further amended. Chapter four hundred and thirty-six of the private and special laws, approved February twelfth, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the City of Bangor," and acts amendatory thereof or additional thereto, or affecting said act, are hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2. Board of public safety created. On the first date fixed by law for electing subordinate officers after this act shall become operative, the city council shall elect a board of public safety, as herein provided.

Sec. 3. Board to have entire management of fire department; shall appoint chief and permanent men; tenure of members of board; qualifications, filling of vacancies. A board to be known as the board of public safety, to consist of three members, is hereby established in and for the City of Bangor, which shall have and exercise all the powers and be charged with all the duties relative to the entire management and control of the operation of the fire department of the City of Bangor, including the appointment of the chief of the department, who shall serve in that capacity, unless removed by the board for cause after a hearing, until he has reached the age of sixty-five years, select and appoint the so-called permanent men, call men and all others connected with the department, define the duties of each and fix the compensation for their services, purchase all supplies and equipment required for the department; payment for salaries, compensation and purchases to be paid from the appropriations made for that department.

At their first election the three members of the board shall be elected, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, all from the date of their election, and thereafter on the date required for election of subordinate officers for the City of Bangor, each year, one shall be elected for a term of three years therefrom; on the first election no more than two shall be chosen from the same political party.

All such members shall be legal voters in and residents of said city and shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the mayor, city clerk or any justice of the peace or notary public in said city.

Each vacancy in said board shall be filled by the city council for the unexpired term and the new member so elected shall be of the same political party as that of the person whose death, resignation or removal has caused such vacancy.

No member of the board during his term of office shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract entered into by or under authority of the board.

Sec. 4. Organization of board; secretary to be chosen by board; members of board to serve without compensation. On the date of the election of subordinate officers each year, or as soon as may be thereafter, the board of public safety shall organize and elect one of their number chairman, also elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the board, notify members of meetings and perform such other duties as the board may direct; said secretary shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties by the mayor, city clerk or any justice

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of the peace or notary public in said city, and his compensation shall be fixed by the board and paid from the appropriations made by the city council for use of the board.

The board shall not incur expenses in excess of the appropriations made for the board by the city council. All payrolls and bills for work done or purchases made by authority of the board, shall be approved by the chairman, or in his absence, by some member designated by him.

No member shall hold any other office under the city during his term nor shall he receive any compensation for his services as such member, but may be reimbursed for any cash expenditures for expenses in connection with his duties in such official capacity, only when approved by the finance committee.

Sec. 5. Budget estimates to be submitted to city council. The board shall, at the beginning of each financial year, submit to the city council for its guidance in making appropriations, a statement of the requirements of the board together with estimated cost of same for the ensuing year and such other information as the city council may require, and shall, at the close of the year, make a full detailed report to the city council of receipts and expenditures during the year.

Sec. 6. Term of office of chief of fire department and other officers to expire when successor has been appointed. The term of office of the chief of the fire department of the City of Bangor, who may be in office and all others serving the city in that department, when this act becomes operative, shall expire when notified by the board of public safety that his successor has been appointed and qualified.

Sec. 7. Inconsistent statutes repealed. All provisions of the city charter of said city, or amendments or additions thereto, and all provisions of any other acts which are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. Subject to referendum. This act shall not take effect unless at the next election in said city following that of March fourteenth, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, a desire for its adoption shall have been made manifest by a majority of the legal votes cast on the question, which question shall have been submitted to the people at said election after such notice as may be required by the municipal officers of said city.

Approved April 5, 1921.