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For the purpose of carrying out the terms of said agreements and for other purposes not inconsistent therewith, a toll is hereby granted for the benefit of said terminal company upon all passengers and property which may be conveyed and transported on or over its terminal facilities at such rates as may be permitted to be established in the manner now or hereafter provided by statute and on such business as it may do over its telephone and telegraph lines and through its express facilities, subject to such general laws relating thereto as are or may be from time to time established by the legislature.

**Sec. 8. City of Portland authorized to raise money to assist in acquisition of property; may guarantee bonds.** The city of Portland, in the county of Cumberland, is hereby expressly empowered and authorized by majority vote of its qualified voters, voting thereon, at any regular election or any special election for the purpose, called and held pursuant to the statutes of Maine governing proceedings in relation thereto, to raise money by loan, taxation or otherwise, to assist in the acquisition, improvement and operation of said property through the purchase of capital stock or other securities or by direct contribution toward the cost thereof, and also, by similar action, from time to time to guarantee the payment of all or any part of said bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of said terminal company, but not at any time to involve the city in debt in violation of the constitution of the state.

Approved April 1, 1927.

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## Chapter 70

An Act Creating the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation.

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

**Sec. 1. Corporate limits; name.** The territory which lies westerly of Long pond in the town of Bridgton, county of Cumberland, and embraced within the following described lines, the occupancy of certain lots named herein being as existing and commonly known on the eighth day of March A. D. eighteen hundred ninety-nine, namely: Beginning on the westerly shore of said Long pond, at a point thereon where the southerly range line of the fourteenth range of lots of said town intersects said shore; thence westerly on said range line, being northerly line of land of Mary G. Perley, about forty-four rods to the southwesterly corner of the Eli Plummer estate; thence north one degree west, eighty-nine rods by the westerly line of said Plummer estate, to the northwesterly corner thereof; thence south seventy degrees west, one hundred twelve rods, running across the Delano road, to a point on the east line of lot numbered eight in said fourteenth

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range, being the northwesterly corner of land of Hanson Fields and the southwesterly corner of the homestead lot of Martha M. Steadman; thence north twenty degrees west, on the east end line of said lot numbered eight in said fourteenth range, twenty-four and one-fifth rods, to the northeasterly corner of said lot; thence north thirty-two and one-half degrees west, on the east end line of lot numbered eight in the thirteenth range of said town's lots to the division corner thereon of land of Chester E. Douglass and Lucinda C. Gray; thence south sixty-seven and one-fourth degrees west, running at a distance of about one hundred rods by the north line of said Chester E. Douglass' land, to the center of the north Bridgton road leading over Hoyt's hill; thence south about seventy degrees west, by the northerly line of land of Joshua F. Bennett, eighty-seven rods to the southwest corner of land of Augustus E. Douglass; thence north nine and one-half degrees west, by the westerly line of said Douglass' land, twenty-seven rods to the southwest corner of lot numbered seven in the twelfth range of said town's lots; thence northerly, to wit, north twenty-three and one-half degrees west, and by the east end line of said lot seven in said twelfth range, one hundred twenty-eight rods to the northeasterly corner of said lot; thence south seventy-two degrees west, and on the north range line of said lot seven in the twelfth range, and running on the northerly side of George W. Emery's homestead lot and across the Ridge road nearly in front of said Emery's residence, a distance of fifty-two rods, to the easterly shore of Highland lake; thence crossing said Highland lake on said range line, to a point where said line intersects the westerly shore line of said lake, south of Little island; thence northerly by said Highland lake's westerly shore, to the division corner thereon of land of William H. Larrabee and A. Kimball Carsley; thence south thirty-four and one-half degrees west by the northerly line of land of said Larrabee, thirty-six rods to the center of North High Street; thence south sixty-nine degrees west, on the northerly line of said Larrabee's land, about one hundred sixty rods to a point on the west end line of lot numbered six in the eleventh range of said town's lots; thence southerly on the west end line of said lot six, to the southwesterly corner of said lot; thence southerly by the west end lines of lot numbered six in the twelfth range, and lot numbered six in the thirteenth range, to the southwesterly corner of said lot numbered six in said thirteenth range; thence easterly on the southerly range line of said lot numbered six in the said thirteenth range, seventy-eight rods to land of Walter S. Hazen; thence south eighteen degrees east, eighteen rods, by said Hazen's westerly line, to the southwesterly corner of said Hazen's land; thence north seventy-two degrees east, by the southerly line of said Hazen's land, eighty-three rods to the center of High Street; thence due south, down the center of said High Street, eighteen and four-fifths rods to a point therein; thence north

eighty-five degrees east, to the easterly line of said High Street, continuing on same course on the northerly side line of land of Eben A. Cross, twenty-nine rods to a jog in the line wall of a pasture lane; thence due north, by said jog, one rod; thence north seventy-eight degrees east, forty rods, thence north seventy degrees east, fifty-eight rods, to a white pine tree standing on a point on the westerly bank of Willett brook; thence on same course, about eighteen rods, across said Willett brook, to a post on the easterly bank thereof, and near the road bed of the Bridgton and Saco River railroad; thence south sixteen degrees east, and along the road bed of said railroad, eighty-nine and one-fifth rods, to a point midway between the rails of said railroad; thence north seventy-two and one-fourth degrees east, nineteen and one-fifth rods to a point on the easterly side line of Portland Street, and at its intersection with the center line of the Martin road; thence on the same course up said Martin road, forty-seven and two-fifths rods, to a point in the center thereof; thence north seventy-nine and one-fourth degrees east, up the center of said road, eighteen rods and twenty-two links to a point; thence north seventy-one and one-half degrees east, up the center of said road, twenty and three-fifths rods to a point; thence north seventy-nine and three-fourths degrees east, thirty rods to the end of the wall on the north side of the gate way leading out of the easterly side of the door yard at the Martin homestead, into the pasture of William H. Larrabee; thence north seventy-three and one-fourth degrees east, thirty-six and one-half rods to corner of land of said William H. Larrabee and the Forest Mills Company; thence north seventy-eight degrees east, on the division line of lands of said Larrabee and said Forest Mills Company, twenty-four rods to their common corner in the mill pond of said company, just westerly of the Kansas road; thence north fifty-six degrees east, crossing said road and running a distance of nine and three-fifths rods, to the center of the southwesterly outlet or waste way of said mill pond; thence down said outlet, south about sixty-six degrees east, about eighteen rods to the center of Stevens brook below the lower mill of said Forest Mills Company; thence easterly, and down the thread of said Stevens brook, to a point therein opposite an old spotted maple tree standing in a bend on said brook's southerly bank, said maple being the westerly corner of the Levi Butters homestead; thence southerly to said spotted maple tree and from thence south seventy-six degrees east, on the southerly line of said Butters homestead, thirty-two rods, crossing the Harte tannery road, to the southeasterly corner of said Butters' homestead; the same being a stake and stones on the easterly side and near to said Harte tannery road; thence north twenty-four and one-half degrees east, seven and one-fifth rods, to a stone corner on the easterly side of said road, between land of said William H. Larrabee and the Bridgton

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and Harrison Electric Company; thence easterly, south about eighty-one and one-half degrees east, by the northerly line of said Larrabee's land, eighty-one rods to said Long pond, together with the inhabitants thereon, be and the same hereby is created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation.

**Sec. 2. Powers.** Said corporation is hereby invested with the power, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, to raise such sums of money as may be sufficient for the construction, purchase, repair and preservation of one or more fire engines, combination motor fire trucks, engine houses, hose, buckets, ladders, ladder houses, and other apparatus for the extinguishment of fire; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts; for the procuring of water for fire purposes and for organizing within the limits of said territory an efficient fire department; for the construction and repair of sewers and a general sewerage system; for lighting the streets and for furnishing and equipping one or more police officers, night watchmen, or other officers, within the limits of said corporation and for the purchase and repair of any other object or thing deemed necessary for enforcing or putting into effect any by-law which has been or which may hereafter be adopted by said corporation.

**Sec. 3. Taxes, how assessed; poll tax; collection of taxes.** All money appropriated by said corporation for the purposes herein enumerated shall be assessed upon the property and polls, within said territory, by the assessors of said corporation, hereinafter provided for, in the same manner as it is provided by law for the assessment of town taxes; provided, however, that the poll tax shall be assessed at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents annually for each taxable poll. Taxes shall be committed for collection and shall be collected in the same manner as is now or hereafter may be provided by general law for the commitment and collection of town taxes.

**Sec. 4. Officers; how chosen; duties.** The officers of said corporation shall consist of a clerk, a treasurer, three or more assessors of taxes, tax collector, auditor of accounts, engineers of the fire department, seven or more fire police and such other officers as may be now or hereafter provided for in the by-laws. They shall be chosen and their duties defined in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation. All persons holding office in the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation, when this act takes effect, shall continue in office until the expiration of his term and until his successor is elected or appointed, unless a vacancy occurs by reason of death, resignation, removal from the corporate limits or for any other cause.

**Sec. 5. Authorized to adopt by-laws; specific purposes for which by-**

laws may be adopted; procedure in adopting by-laws. Said corporation may adopt by-laws or ordinances, not inconsistent with law, and may enforce them by suitable penalties, not exceeding five dollars, for each violation, subject to the approval of a justice of the supreme judicial court, for the following purposes:

(a) For the regulation and government of the corporation, for the formation and management of an efficient fire department and for defining and setting forth the duties and the manner of election or appointment of all officers of said corporation.

(b) For the appointment of police officers and for the establishment of police regulations; for the prevention of crime, protection of property and preservation of good order.

(c) For the regulation, supervision and control of all kinds of vehicles, on any street, park, parkway, or walk within the limits of said corporation; and said corporation, subject to the general laws of the state, shall have exclusive jurisdiction in the control and supervision of all such vehicular traffic. It shall be the sole authority to locate traffic beacons, traffic lines, traffic signs of all descriptions, and all other objects placed in or upon the streets or walks of said corporation, for the purpose of assisting in directing traffic, or for carrying out any of the objects or purposes of this act, and no such objects, placed as aforesaid, if located in accordance with such by-laws and ordinances shall be deemed defects or obstructions in or upon such street or walk.

(d) Respecting the erection and repair of buildings in said corporate limits, defining their proportions, dimensions and the materials used in the construction and repair thereof, and any building erected or repaired contrary to a by-law or ordinance adopted under this provision, shall be deemed a nuisance.

(e) For the protection of persons against injury from the sliding of snow and ice from roofs of buildings; for keeping the sidewalks clear of snow and other obstructions, regulating the use thereof and for the proper protection and care of public parks and squares and of all monuments, statues and erections therein.

(f) For the protection against fire by prohibiting the accumulation of any debris, waste or inflammable material in any place where such accumulation would tend to create a situation from which fire might result.

(g) To prevent the accumulation of any material whatsoever within the limits of the highway, which would tend to mar the general beauty of the landscape, or which would be a menace to the public health or safety of the corporation or of any section thereof.



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(h) For regulating the sale of all kinds of merchandise by peddlers and hawkers, so called, by providing that no person not having a regular bona fide place of business in the corporation in which he carries a stock of merchandise upon which he pays a tax, shall be allowed to sell or take orders for any kind of goods by means of a house to house canvass or from any vehicle, temporary structure, or otherwise, unless said person shall first have obtained a license or permit so to do; in accordance with any ordinance which may be adopted by the corporation and authority is hereby conferred upon said Bridgton Centre Village Corporation, to require such license. Provided, however, that no such license shall be required of travelling salesmen, soliciting orders from bona fide merchants; nor for the sale of farm produce of any kind, either by the producer or by some person in his actual and immediate employ.

(i) Also for any other purpose of whatsoever kind, for which towns and cities, chartered under the general law, now have authority or may hereafter be granted authority by the legislature to adopt ordinances or by-laws.

The adoption and promulgation of all such by-laws or ordinances shall be in accordance with the procedure now provided by general laws for towns and cities, and no such by-law shall be adopted unless first approved by a majority vote at any meeting of the corporation, the warrant for the calling of which shall contain an article or articles clearly defining and fully setting forth the same; provided, however, that all by-laws or ordinances in force when this act takes effect shall remain in full force and effect until repealed or amended, by the corporation, at any meeting called for that purpose. The by-laws and ordinances adopted by the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation on April fourteenth, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, and approved by Guy H. Sturgis, justice of the supreme judicial court, on June thirteenth, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid and are continued in force until repealed or amended.

**Sec. 6. Contracts of present village corporation to remain in force.** All legal acts, contracts and doings of the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation or its officers acting in behalf of said corporation, heretofore existing, shall remain in full force and effect until terminated, repealed or amended.

**Sec. 7. Local referendum provided for; certificate to secretary of state.** This act shall not take effect until ratified by a vote of the majority of the legal voters of the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation, now existing, present and voting at any meeting legally called for that purpose. If the

majority of such voters are in favor of the acceptance of this act, it shall thereupon immediately take effect and the clerk shall certify the fact to the secretary of state of the state of Maine.

**Sec. 8. Inconsistent acts repealed; unconstitutionality of part of act not to affect whole.** All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby repealed. If any provision of this act should at any time be declared unconstitutional such fact shall not affect the act as a whole but only such part as may be so declared.

**Sec. 9. Assets of original corporation to become property of one hereby created.** All the assets, property and records of the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation, as it existed prior to the passage of this act shall become the property of said Bridgton Centre Village Corporation, now created, and said corporation shall assume all the liabilities now outstanding against the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation as it existed prior to the taking effect of this act.

Approved April 1, 1927.

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## Chapter 71

An Act for the Purchase of Books for the Kennebec County Law Library.

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

**County authorized to pay additional sum to law library association.** The treasurer of Kennebec county shall pay during the year nineteen hundred twenty-seven to the treasurer of the Kennebec Law Library Association in addition to the annual sum provided by statute the sum of one thousand dollars for the purchase of books for said library by said association.

Approved April 1, 1927.

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## Chapter 72

An Act to Incorporate Lemon Stream Log Driving Company.

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

**Sec. 1. Corporators; corporate name; rights.** Fred C. Luce, Almon B. Sargent and Blaine S. Viles, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate under the name of Lemon Stream Log Driving Company with all the rights, powers and privileges of log driving companies.