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right and power to hold such personal property as may be necessary or convenient in the managing of said tract or tracts of land acquired and held as aforesaid, with the powers and privileges and subject to the duties set forth in chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes of the state of Maine, and in such other general laws as now are or hereafter may be in force relating to such corporations, providing, however, that said corporation shall have no capital stock nor shall it pay any compensation to any of its members in lieu of salary or wages.

Sec. 2. Authority to hold property; limit. Said corporation may acquire and hold by gift, grant, devise or purchase, real estate, such as it may deem worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public directly or indirectly, but not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in value, with the right to sell and convey any part of said real estate, if in the changing conditions it seems advisable to sell any part thereof and hold by gift, grant, devise or purchase, such other property, both real and personal, as may be necessary or proper to support or promote the objects of the corporation, but not exceeding in the aggregate the further amount of two hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 3. Exempt from taxation. All property held by said corporation shall be exempt from taxation.

Sec. 4. Dividends prohibited; income, how expended. Said corporation shall never make any dividend or division of or from its property or income among its members, but the net income and proceeds from any part of said property shall be expended for public benefits, not supported by taxation, in the town where said land from which said income or proceeds shall be derived is located.

Approved April 11, 1927.

Chapter 110

An Act Relating to the South Portland Sewerage District.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1925, c. 81, sec. 8; relating to authority to issue notes and bonds, amended. Section eight of chapter eighty-one of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred twenty-five is hereby amended by striking out the words "five hundred" in the sixth line thereof and inserting in place thereof the words 'six hundred,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 8. Bond limit increased to \$600,000. To procure funds for the purposes of this act, and for such other expenses as may be necessary for the carrying out of said purposes, the said district, without district vote, but by action of its board of trustees, is authorized to issue its notes and bonds in one series, or in separate series from time to time, to an amount not exceeding the sum of six hundred thousand dollars. Said bonds shall be a legal obligation of said district, shall be a legal investment for savings banks in the state of Maine, and shall be tax exempt. Each bond or note shall have inscribed on its face the words "SOUTH PORTLAND SEWERAGE DISTRICT BOND," or "SOUTH PORTLAND SEWERAGE DISTRICT NOTE," as the case may be, and shall bear interest at such rates as the trustees shall determine. If said bonds be issued from time to time each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan. Each loan shall be payable in annual amounts of principal, beginning not more than one year from its date, or made to run for such period as said trustees shall determine, but no series shall run for a longer period than twenty-five years from its date. All bonds or notes issued by said district shall bear the district seal, and shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the president of said district, and if coupon bonds be issued, each coupon shall bear the facsimile signature of the president and treasurer.'

Sec. 2. Local referendum provided for; form of ballot. This act shall take effect when accepted and approved by a majority vote of the legal voters in the South Portland Sewerage District, voting at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose. Such special election shall be called by the municipal officers of the city of South Portland upon request of the trustees of the district and shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections, provided, however, that the board of registration of said city of South Portland shall not be required to prepare for posting, or the city clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters said board shall be in session the three secular days next preceding such election; the first two days thereof to be devoted to the registration of voters, and the last day to enable the board to verify the corrections of said lists and to complete and close up their records of said session.

The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question:

"Shall the Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the South Portland Sewerage District be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross placed over the words "Yes" or "No," their opinion of the same.

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The result in said district shall be declared by the municipal officers of said city, and due certificate thereof filed with the city clerk.

Approved April 11, 1927.

Chapter 111

An Act Relating to the Charter of the City of Waterville.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1887, c. 195, sec. 3; relating to powers and duties of mayor, amended. Section three, chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the private and special laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended by inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 3. Mayor to appoint all city officers; salary increased. The mayor of said city shall be the chief executive magistrate thereof. It shall be his duty to be vigilant and active in causing the laws and regulations of the city to be executed and enforced, to exercise a general supervision over the conduct of all subordinate officers, and to cause their violations or neglect of duty to be punished. He shall appoint all city officers except those that are required by law to be elected by the qualified electors of said city or of the several wards in said city, or to be appointed or employed by authority of the board of education and may remove city officers so appointed by him, for cause. He shall also appoint an overseer of the poor, who shall hold his office for a term of two years. Such officer, so appointed, shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the municipal officers, and shall in general do and perform all the duties and exercise all the powers incumbent upon or vested in overseers of the poor by law. Such overseer may be removed by the mayor for cause. The mayor shall exercise the same power of appointment to fill a vacancy in any appointive city office. He may call special meetings of the board of aldermen and common council, when, in his opinion, the interest of the city requires it, by a notice in one or more of the papers printed in the city, or by causing a summons or notification to be given in hand, or left at the usual dwelling place of each member of the board to be convened. He shall, from time to time, communicate to the city council, such information and recommend such measures as the business and interests of the city may, in his opinion, require. He shall preside in the board of aldermen and joint meetings of the two boards, but shall have only a casting vote. The salary and compensation of the mayor shall be fifteen hundred dollars per year, which shall not be increased or diminished during his continuance in office unless