

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

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sors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Trustees of St. Joseph's College.

**Sec. 2. Institution of higher learning; degrees.** Said corporation is empowered and authorized to establish, maintain and conduct at or near Standish in the County of Cumberland within this State, an institution of higher learning, to be known as St. Joseph's College, and to provide in said St. Joseph's College instruction in the languages and in the liberal and useful arts and sciences, including, but not limited to, courses in the humanities, mathematics, the natural and social sciences, philosophy, theology and the sacred sciences, as the Trustees of said corporation shall, from time to time, determine, with full power to grant and confer at and through said St. Joseph's College collegiate honors and degrees, including the academic degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science, and to grant the students in said college such certificates of proficiency and attainments in any special study as the Faculty of said college may deem fit and proper.

**Sec. 3. Corporate powers.** Said corporation is hereby vested with all the rights, privileges and immunities incident to similar corporations, with power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, and to have perpetual succession; to make and establish by-laws and regulations for the management of its affairs and the proper government of said corporation and of those in any way connected therewith, as are not repugnant to the laws of the State of Maine; to make and use a common seal, and the same to alter at pleasure; to acquire and take by deed, gift, purchase, devise, bequest or otherwise, real or personal property (tangible or intangible) in such amounts as may be required for the purposes of said college, and, for said purposes, to hold, convey or encumber the same, as the interest of said college may require; to receive and accept any gift, donation, bequest or devise to or for the benefit of said corporation, made in trust or otherwise, for any of the purposes of the college, and to apply and administer the same in conformity with the lawful conditions thereof.

**Sec. 4. Organization.** Either of the persons named in the first section of this Act may call a meeting of said trustees by giving each of the other persons named at least 10 days' written notice of the time and place of said meeting. The said Trustees shall organize by the choice of a President of the Board, Treasurer, Secretary, Clerk and all other necessary officers by a majority ballot. Elections to fill vacancies caused by death or resignation shall be held by the then remaining Trustees.

Effective August 20, 1955

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## Chapter 40

**AN ACT** Relating to Filling Vacancies in Membership of Council in Fort Kent.

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

P. & S. L., 1945, c. 34, § 2, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 2 of chapter 34 of the private and special laws of 1945 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'At the 1st meeting held under the provisions of this act, 5 councillors shall be chosen, as follows: 2 for the term of 1 year, 2 for the term of 2 years and 1 for the term of 3 years, who shall constitute the council; and thereafter at

each of said annual meetings 2 councillors shall be chosen as herein provided, each for a term of 3 years, provided, however, that in each 3rd year but 1 councillor shall be chosen; and provided further, that vacancies in the office of councillor, due to death, resignation or other cause, shall be filled at the next ~~annual~~ special or regular town meeting for the unexpired term.'

Effective August 20, 1955

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## Chapter 41

### AN ACT to Repeal the Act Creating the Bethel Village Corporation.

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

**Sec. 1.** P. & S. L., 1889, c. 379, repealed. Subject to the provisions of section 4 hereof, chapter 379 of the private and special laws of 1889, as amended, entitled "An Act Creating the Bethel Village Corporation" is hereby repealed.

**Sec. 2.** Rights, etc., of Bethel Village Corporation vested in the town of Bethel. Upon the acceptance of this act as provided in section 4 hereof, all real and personal property, or any interest therein, then owned by the Bethel Village Corporation, together with all accounts receivable, choses in action, and all other rights and benefits that may be either then due and payable to, or would accrue to, or for the benefit of said Bethel Village Corporation but for this act, shall be and become the property of the town of Bethel; said town being hereby vested with all rights and powers of holding, disposing of or enforcing such rights so acquired.

**Sec. 3.** Contracts, etc., to be assumed by town of Bethel. Upon the acceptance of this act as provided in section 4 hereof, all valid contracts, obligations and liabilities of said Bethel Village Corporation shall be assumed and executed by the town of Bethel.

**Sec. 4.** Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the town of Bethel at an annual or special town meeting held within 1 year after the effective date of this act, an appropriate article being inserted in the call for such meeting.

The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act to Repeal the Act Creating the Bethel Village Corporation,' passed by the 97th Legislature, be accepted?" and the qualified voters shall indicate in the usual manner their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided, however, that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act equals or exceeds 20% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Bethel and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective August 20, 1955