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STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE

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Thence same course along a spotted and painted line for a distance of three thousand three hundred and four (3,304) feet more or less to the westerly end of a stone wall located on the easterly bank of Swett Brook, so-called;

Thence same course along the last mentioned stone wall and spotted and painted line for a distance of six hundred and fifty-five (655) feet more or less to a cut granite post which stands on the westerly side of the Hunt's Corner Road, sometimes called Pumping Station Road;

Thence same course crossing said road and along a spotted and painted line for a distance of two hundred and ninety-six (296) feet more or less to the westerly end of a stone wall;

Thence North 70° East along the last mentioned stone wall and a spotted and painted line for a distance of twenty-three hundred and seventy-five (2,375) feet more or less to a cut granite post inscribed "W/A" and a wooden post inscribed "W/A 1949 CSM" which stand in the intersection of two stone walls;

Thence same course along a spotted and painted line for a distance of fourteen hundred and seven (1,407) feet more or less to a square cut wooden post standing in a pile of stones;

Thence North $72^{\circ} 05'$ East along a spotted and painted line for a distance of fourteen hundred and four (1,404) feet more or less to a cut granite post inscribed "W/A/N" which marks the northwesterly corner of the Town of Norway.

Copies of this Act shall be recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Eastern District of Oxford County.

Effective July 13, 1982.

CHAPTER 86

H.P. 2142 - L.D. 2051

AN ACT to Incorporate the Farmington
Falls Water District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, uninterrupted collection and distribution of water is essential to the health and welfare of inhabitants of Chesterville and Farmington; and

Whereas, interruption of service is imminent if improvements are not made; and

Whereas, the Farmington Falls Company has not adequately maintained the system for the past 30 years; and

Whereas, the formation of the water district is urgently needed to assure that the collection and distribution of water is not interrupted; and

Whereas, the water district may apply and receive grants-in-aid to assure continual uninterrupted water service; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Territorial limits; corporate name and purpose. The inhabitants of Chesterville and Farmington, who reside within the territory of the district as defined in this section, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of the "Farmington Falls Water District" for the purpose of supplying the district and the inhabitants thereof and others with pure water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes.

The territory of the district shall be comprised of all real property located in Farmington and Chesterville and described as follows. Starting at a point on the northerly side of U.S. Route #2 at its intersection with the Farmington-New Sharon town line, thence southerly along the town line to the Sandy River and continuing in the same line across the river and Thomas Road to a point on the westerly side of an unnamed brook, thence along the westerly side of the brook to the most southerly spring now or formerly owned by the Farmington Falls Water Company, thence northwesterly to the easterly abutment of the Wilson Stream Bridge, also known as the Green Bridge, thence northeasterly to an iron post at the southeast corner of the Blake Cemetery, so-

called, thence southeasterly to a point on the aforementioned Farmington-New Sharon town line, thence southerly along the town line a distance of 300 feet to the point of beginning.

All inhabitants of legal voting age residing within the district boundaries shall be eligible to vote on the referendum question as defined in section 20. Following approval of the referendum question, all inhabitants residing within the district or persons doing business within the district and served by the district shall be deemed eligible voters of the district.

Sec. 2. Powers; authority to locate, construct and maintain. The district, for the purpose of its incorporation, is authorized within its territory to take, collect, hold, divert, use and distribute to that district, or any part thereof, water from any lake, pond, stream, brook, river, spring, well or other source, natural or artificial; to locate pipes, mains, conduits, aqueducts and fixtures, and to take up, replace, repair and maintain the same, in, along and through any public or private ways, public grounds or lands of any person or corporation as provided in this Act; to erect, construct and maintain dams, reservoirs, aqueducts, pipes, standpipes, mains, wells, conduits, hydrants, pumping stations, treatment facilities and all other structures, equipment, fixtures and appurtenances necessary and convenient for those purposes; and, generally, to do any and all things and perform any and all acts necessary or incidental to accomplish the purpose of this Act.

Whenever the district shall enter, dig up or excavate any public water or other land in order to locate, take up, replace, repair or maintain any pipes, mains, conduits, aqueducts and fixtures, or for any other purposes, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction as practicable to the public travel, and shall, at the completion thereof, without unnecessary delay, restore or replace the way or land to its prior or other proper condition.

Sec. 3. District and town authorization to make contracts. The district through its trustees may contract with persons and corporations, including the Towns of Chesterville and Farmington, or both, for the supply of water for municipal purposes.

Sec. 4. Powers; authority to acquire and hold property; eminent domain. The district, for the purposes of its incorporation, may acquire and hold as for public uses real estate and personal estate necessary and convenient for the aforesaid purposes, and is expressly granted the right of eminent domain. The district is hereby authorized to take,

use and hold by purchase, lease or otherwise, or by the exercise of eminent domain as hereinafter provided, any land or interest therein or water rights necessary for erecting and maintaining dams, plants and works for flowage, for pumping, for supplying water through its mains, for reservoirs, for preserving the purity of the water and watershed, for laying and maintaining mains, aqueducts and other structures for taking, distributing, discharging and disposing of water, for forming basins and reservoirs, for erection of buildings for pumping works for use therein, for laying pipes and maintaining same, and for laying and maintaining conduits for carrying, collecting and discharging water, for filtering, rectifying and treating plants, works and facilities, for such other objects necessary, convenient and proper for the purposes of its incorporation and for rights-of-way or roadways to its sources of supply, dams, reservoirs, mains, aqueducts, structures, plants, works, facilities and lands.

Nothing herein contained may be construed as authorizing the district to take, by right of eminent domain, any of the property or facilities of any other public service corporation or district used or acquired for future use by the owner thereof in the performance of a public duty, unless expressly authorized thereto, therein or by subsequent Act of the Legislature.

Sec. 5. Procedure as to the exercise of right of eminent domain. In exercising any rights of eminent domain that are herein conferred upon the district, the district shall file, for record in the registry of deeds in Franklin County, plans of the location of lands or interest therein to be taken, with an appropriate description and the names of the owners thereof, if known. When, for any reason, the district fails to acquire property which it is authorized to take and which is described in that location, or, if the location as recorded is defective or uncertain, it may, at any time, correct and perfect that location and file a new description thereof and, in that case, the district is liable in damages only for property for which the owner had not previously been paid, to be assessed as of the time of the original taking, and the district shall not be liable for any act which would have been justified if the original taking had been lawful. No entry may be made on any private lands except to make surveys until the expiration of 10 days from that filing, where upon possession may be had of all those lands or interest therein so taken, but title thereto shall not vest in the district until payment therefor.

If any person sustaining damages by any taking as aforesaid shall not agree with the trustees of the district upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party, upon peti-

tion to the county commissioners of Franklin County, may have those damages assessed by them. The procedure and all subsequent proceedings and the rights of appeal therefrom shall be had under the same restrictions, conditions and limitations as are or may be prescribed in the case of damages by laying out of highways.

Sec. 6. Procedure if public utility must be crossed. In case of any crossing of any public utility, unless consent is given by the company owning or operating that public utility as to place, manner and conditions of the crossing within 30 days after the consent is requested by the district, the Public Utilities Commission, upon petition by the district, shall determine the place, manner and conditions of that crossing; and all work on the property of that public utility shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of that public utility or as prescribed by the Public Utilities Commission, but at the expense of the district.

Sec. 7. Board of trustees; election; vacancies. All the affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of trustees comprised of 5 members, resident of the district, who shall be elected by Australian ballot at a special district meeting as soon as possible following the acceptance of this Act. Two trustees shall be elected from Chesterville, 2 trustees shall be elected from Farmington and one trustee shall be elected at large.

The terms of the members of the board shall be as follows: Two members shall serve for one year from the date of the first election following acceptance of this Act; 2 members shall serve for 2 years from the date of the first election following such acceptance; and one member shall serve for 3 years from the date of the first election following such acceptance. The initially elected trustees shall draw lots for the one, 2 or 3-year terms. Following the expiration of each of the terms of the first 5 trustees of the district, their successors shall be elected for 3-year terms. The trustees shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. Trustees shall be eligible for reelection.

Whenever any trustee ceases to be a resident in the water district, he vacates the office of trustee. Vacancies in the office of trustees shall be filled by a special district election, except that a vacancy occurring within 6 months of the expiration of a trustee's term of office may be filled by appointment of a successor residing in the district to serve the unexpired portion of the term in which the vacancy occurs. Appointment shall be made by the municipal officers: Of Chesterville for a vacancy from

Chesterville; of Farmington for a vacancy from Farmington; or of Chesterville and Farmington jointly for an at large vacancy, after receiving recommendations from the trustees.

Sec. 8. Trustees; how appointed; vacancies. Within one week after each annual election, including the election of the first trustees, the trustees shall meet for the purpose of electing a chairman, treasurer and clerk from among them to serve for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected and qualified. The trustees, from time-to-time, may choose and employ, and fix the compensation of, any other necessary officers and agents who shall serve at their pleasure. The treasurer shall furnish bond in the sum and with sureties as approved by the trustees. The cost thereof shall be paid by the district.

At this original meeting, the trustees shall organize by electing from their own members a chairman and a clerk, and adopting a corporate seal and electing a treasurer who may or may not be a trustee. The trustees may adopt and establish bylaws, consistent with the laws of this State and necessary for their own convenience and the proper management of the affairs of the district, and perform any other acts within the powers delegated to them by law.

The trustees shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties, which shall include the duties of any member who serves as clerk or clerk pro tem. They shall make and publish an annual report, including a report of the treasurer.

The trustees shall have the same powers and perform the same duties as otherwise are exercised and performed by the selectmen of towns for the calling and holding of district elections and for the correction and preparation of lists of persons qualified to vote in the district.

All meetings of the district shall be presided over by the chairman of the board of trustees who shall have the same authority as moderators of town meetings. District meetings shall be conducted in the same manner as town meetings.

Members of the board of trustees shall be eligible for any office under the board. The trustees, as such, shall initially be compensated by a sum of \$100 each year. Thereafter, compensation shall be established as follows. The trustees shall receive compensation as recommended by them and approved by a majority of the municipal officers of the municipality, including compensation for any duties they perform as officers, as well as for their duties as trustees. For districts serving more than one municipality,

any change in the compensation received by the trustees for any duties they perform within the district shall be recommended by them and approved by majority vote of the municipal officers in municipalities representing a majority of the population within the district. Certification thereof shall be recorded with the Secretary of State and recorded in the bylaws. Their compensation for duties as trustees shall be on the basis of such specified amount as may be specified in the bylaws, for each meeting actually attended and reimbursement for travel and expenses, with the total not to exceed such specific amount as may be specified in the bylaws.

Sec. 9. Annual meeting of district. After the acceptance of this Act and the organization of the board of trustees as hereinbefore provided, the annual meeting of the district shall be held within the district on the first Monday of each April, at such hour and place as may be designated by resolution of the board of trustees as provided in the bylaws. Notice thereof, signed by the chairman or clerk of the board, shall be conspicuously posted in 2 public places within the district, not less than 7 days before the meeting.

Sec. 10. Temporary loans negotiated; issue of bonds. For accomplishing the purposes of this Act, the water district, through its trustees, is authorized to borrow money temporarily and to issue therefor the negotiable notes of the district, and for the purpose of refunding the indebtedness so created, for paying any necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of this Act, including the expenses incurred in the creation of a district, in securing sources of supply, taking water and land, paying damages, taking rights-of-way or other interests in real estate, by purchase or otherwise, laying pipes, aqueducts and mains, constructing, installing, maintaining and operating reservoirs, standpipes, dams, pumping stations and whatever equipment may be necessary or incidental to the construction and installation of that system of water works and making renewals of or extensions, additions and improvements to the same, the district by votes of its board of trustees, without district vote except as provided in this Act, is also authorized to issue, from time to time, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the district in the amount or amounts, not exceeding the sum of \$500,000 outstanding at any one time, bearing interest at such rate or rates, and having such terms and provisions as the trustees determine. In the event that the trustees vote to authorize bonds or notes, the estimated cost of which, singly or in aggregate included in any one financing, is \$25,000 or more adjusted, relative to 1981 as the base year according to the Consumer Price Index, the trustees shall

provide notice to the general public of the proposed bond or note issue and the purposes for which the debt is being issued. The notice shall be published at least once, in a newspaper having general circulation in the district, and notice shall be given to each rate payer by mail by the trustees. In the case of a vote by the trustees to authorize bonds or notes to pay for the acquisition of property, for the cost of a water system or part thereof, for renewal or additions or for other improvements in the nature of capital costs, or for renewing or refunding existing indebtedness, notice of the proposed debt and of the general purpose or purposes for which it was authorized shall be given by the clerk by publication at least once in a newspaper having a general circulation in the Towns of Chesterville and Farmington. No debt may be incurred under the vote of the trustees until the expiration of 7 full days following the date on which the notice was first published and mailed.

Prior to the expiration of the 7-day period, the trustees shall call a special district meeting for the purpose of permitting the voters of the district to express approval or disapproval of the amount of debt so authorized. If, at the district meeting, a majority of voters present and voting thereon express disapproval of the amount of debt authorized by the trustees, the debt may not be incurred and the vote of the trustees authorizing the same shall be void and of no effect. The bonds, notes and evidences of indebtedness may be issued to mature serially in annual installments of not less than 1% of the face amount of the issue and beginning not later than 2 years from the date thereof, or may be issued with equal annual payments, applied first to interest and the balance to principal, or made to run for such periods as the trustees may determine, but no issue may run for a longer period than 40 years from the date of original issue. Bonds, notes or evidences of indebtedness may be issued with or without provision for calling the same prior to maturity and, if callable, may be made callable at par or at such premium as the trustees may determine. All bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness shall have inscribed upon their face the words "Farmington Falls Water District," shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the chairman of the board of trustees of the district and, if coupon bonds are issued, the interest coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile of the signature of the treasurer. All bonds, notes and evidences of indebtedness so issued by the district shall be legal obligations of the district, which is declared to be a quasi-municipal corporation within the meaning of the Revised Statutes. The Revised Statutes, Title 30, section 5053, as amended, and all provisions of this section shall be applicable thereto.

The district may, from time to time, issue its bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness for the purpose of paying, redeeming or refunding outstanding bonds, notes or evidences of indebtedness and each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan. All bonds, notes and evidences of indebtedness issued by the district shall be legal investments for savings banks in the State and shall be tax exempt. The district may enter into agreements with the State or Federal Government or any agency of either or any corporation, commission or board authorized by the State or Federal Government to grant or loan money to or otherwise assist in the financing of projects, such as the district is authorized to carry out, and to accept grants and borrow money from any government agency, corporation, commission or board as may be necessary or desirable to enforce this Act. All notes and bonds with the maturity of more than one year in connection with the water system must first be approved by the Public Utilities Commission.

Sec. 11. Sinking fund provided for. The money set aside for the sinking fund shall be devoted to the retirement of the notes and bonds, and shall be used for no other purposes, and shall be invested in such securities as savings banks are allowed to hold.

Whenever any bonds of the district become due or can be purchased by the trustees on favorable terms, the trustees may, if sufficient funds have accumulated in the sinking fund, redeem or purchase the bonds and cancel them. In no case may bonds so canceled or redeemed be reissued.

In case the amount in the sinking fund is not sufficient to pay the total amount of the bonds falling due at any one time, the trustees may issue new bonds sufficient to redeem as many of the bonds as cannot be redeemed from the sinking fund.

In the event that the district establishes a payment schedule that does not require the use of a sinking fund, the provisions of this section shall not apply.

Sec. 12. Powers; authority to acquire certain property of Farmington Falls Company. The district, through its trustees, is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase all or part of the entire plant, properties, franchises, rights and privileges owned by Farmington Falls Water Company, including all lands, waters, water rights, reservoirs, pipes, machinery, fixtures, hydrants, tools and all apparatus and appliances used or usable in supplying water in the district; and the company is hereby authorized to sell, transfer and convey their plants, properties, franchises, rights and privileges to the district.

Sec. 13. Procedure in case trustees and Farmington Falls Company fail to agree on terms of purchase. In case the trustees fail to agree with the Farmington Falls Water Company upon terms of purchase, then the district through its trustees aforesaid, is hereby authorized to take the properties, interest and franchises of the Farmington Falls Water Company as set forth in section 12, in the manner hereinafter provided wherein the Farmington Falls Water Company and its mortgagees, if any, or those having an interest in any realty which is of record, shall be the parties defendant. The district, through its trustees, is hereby authorized to file a petition in the clerk's office of the Superior Court for the County of Franklin addressed to any justice thereto who, after notice to the defendant aforesaid, shall, after hearing and within 60 days after the filing of the petition, appoint 3 disinterested appraisers for the purpose of fixing the valuations of the plant, property and franchises of the Farmington Falls Water Company as described in section 12. The court may order under proper terms the production for inspection by the trustees or the appraisers of all books and papers pertaining to the issue on petition for same by the petitioner, unless same are voluntarily produced. The appraisers shall have the power to administer oaths. The appraisers so appointed shall, after due notice and hearing, fix the valuation as of the date of filing the petition of the plants, properties and franchises at what they were fairly and equitably worth so that the company shall receive just compensation for same. The report of the appraisers or of a majority of them together with the report of a stenographer certified by the appraisers as correct, shall be filed in the clerk's office within 6 months after their appointment and any Justice of the Superior Court may after notice and hearing confirm or reject the same or recommit it if justice so requires. Upon the confirmation of the report, the court so sitting shall thereupon make final decree upon the entire matter, including the application of the purchase money and transfer of the property, jurisdiction over which is hereby conferred, and with the power to enforce the decree as in equity cases. All findings of fact by the court and the appraisers shall be final, but any party aggrieved may take exceptions as to any matters of law, the same to be accompanied by so much of the case as may be necessary to a clear understanding of the question raised thereby. These exceptions shall be claimed on the docket within 10 days after the final decree is signed, entered and filed and notice thereof has been given by the clerk to the parties and the exceptions so claimed shall be made up, allowed and filed within that time unless further time is granted by the court or by agreement of the parties. They shall be entered at the next term of the law court to be held after the filing of these exceptions and there heard, unless otherwise agreed, or the law

court for good cause shall order further time for hearing thereon. On payment of tender by the district of the amount determined by the final decree and the performance of all other terms and conditions imposed by the court, the plant, properties and franchises of Farmington Falls Water Company, as described in section 12, shall become vested in this district.

Sec. 14. Quasi-municipal district. The district shall be a quasi-municipal district in accordance with the Revised Statutes.

Sec. 15. Water rates; application of revenue; sinking fund. All individuals, firms and corporations, whether private, public or municipal, shall pay to the treasurer of the district the rates established by the board of trustees for the water used by them. These rates shall be uniform within the territory supplied by the district and shall, to the extent required by law, be subject to the approval of the Public Utilities Commission.

1. Just and reasonable rates. The trustees shall establish rates, tolls or charges which are just and reasonable and which provide revenue as may be required to perform its public utility service and to attract necessary capital on just and reasonable terms.

2. Uniform rates. The trustees shall establish rates which are uniform within the territory supplied whenever the installation and maintenance of mains and the cost of service is substantially uniform. If, for any reason, the cost of construction and maintenance or the cost of service in a section of the territory exceeds the average, the trustees may establish higher rates for that section, but these higher rates shall be uniform throughout that section.

3. Purposes. The trustees may establish rates under this section so as to provide revenue for the following purposes, but no other:

A. To pay the current expenses for operating and maintaining the water system and to provide for normal renewals and replacements;

B. To provide for the payment of the interest on the indebtedness created or assumed by the utility;

C. To provide each year a sum equal to not less than 2% nor more than 10% of the term indebtedness represented by the issuance of bonds created or assumed by the utility, which sum shall be turned into a sinking fund and there kept to provide for the extinguishment

of term indebtedness. The money set aside in this sinking fund shall be devoted to the retirement of the term obligations of the utility and may be invested in such securities as savings banks in the State are allowed to hold;

D. To provide for annual principal payments on serial indebtedness created or assumed by the utility; and

E. To provide for a contingency reserve fund by providing rates to reflect up to a 5% addition to yearly revenues over what is required to operate the water company in accordance with the Revised Statutes, Title 35, section 3311.

Sec. 16. Special meetings. Special meetings of the district may be called by the board of trustees at any time and notice of special meetings, stating the place and time thereof and the business to be transacted thereat shall be signed by the chairman or clerk of the board of trustees and shall be conspicuously posted in at least 2 public places within the district, not less than 7 days, inclusive of Sundays, before the meeting. Fifteen persons qualified to vote in the meetings shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 17. Agreements. The district may enter into agreements with the State or Federal Government, or any agency of either, or any corporation, commission or board authorized by the State or Federal Government to grant or loan money to or otherwise assist in the financing of projects, such as the district is authorized to carry out, and to accept grants and borrow money from any government agency, corporation, commission or board as may be necessary or desirable to enforce this Act. All notes and bonds with the maturity of more than one year shall first be approved by the Public Utilities Commission.

Sec. 18. Existing statutes not affected; rights conferred subject to provisions of law. 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 the Revised Statutes, Title 35 and all acts amendatory thereof or additional thereto.

Sec. 19. Incidental powers granted. All incidental powers, rights and privileges necessary to the accomplishment of the main object herein set forth are granted to the Farmington Falls Water District.

Sec. 20. Effective date; referendum; certificate to

Secretary of State. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the district at a special election or elections called and held for the purpose. This election shall be called by the municipal officers of the Towns of Chesterville and Farmington and shall be held at the regular voting places. The special election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided that the boards of registration shall not be required to prepare nor the town clerks to post a new list of voters; and for this purpose the boards of registration shall be in session on the 3 secular days next preceding that election, the first and 2nd days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters and the last day to enable the boards to verify the corrections of the lists and to complete and close up their records of that session. The town clerks shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question:

"Shall An Act to Incorporate the Farmington Falls Water District be accepted?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of the district in both Chesterville and Farmington voting at that election; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act in each town equals or exceeds 12% of the registered voters in the district; but failure of approval by the necessary percentages of votes at any such election in either or both of those towns shall not prevent a subsequent election or elections to be held for that purpose.

The results of these elections shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Towns of Chesterville and Farmington and due certification thereof filed by the town clerks with the Secretary of State.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective pending referendum, unless otherwise indicated.
