

CHAPTER 136.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF SAINT JOSEPH, STEARNS COUNTY, TO ISSUE BONDS TO AID IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE ACROSS THE SAUK RIVER.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. The township of Saint Joseph, in the county of Stearns, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue its bonds to aid in the construction of a free bridge across the Sauk river, at a point on the southwest quarter (4) of section twenty-three (23), town one hundred and twenty-four (124) north, of range twenty-nine (29) west.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be issued in sums of not less than one hundred (100) dollars each, and shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars, and may bear interest not to exceed eight (8) per cent per annum, payable annually, and, payable, principal and interest, at the office of the treasurer of said township, or elsewhere, as may be specified in the bonds when issued. The principal of said bonds shall be payable in one (1), two (2) and three (3) years from the date of issue.

SEC. 3. Said bonds and the coupons for interest shall be signed by the chairman of the board of supervisors of said township, and countersigned by the town clerk of said township.

SEC. 4. The qualified electors of said township, at the annual election, shall levy annually, from and after the issue of said bonds, a sufficient tax upon the taxable property in said township to pay the interest that shall become due upon said bonds for that year, and shall, in addition thereto, levy annually a sufficient tax to form a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of said bonds when they shall become due.

SEC. 5. The proposition to issue bonds shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of said township, at a special election held therein at such time after the passage of this act, as shall be designated by a notice signed by the town clerk of said town, and posted in three (3) of the most public places in said township, and published for two (2) successive weeks in the *Saint Cloud Times*, the posting and first (1st) publication thereof to be not less than two (2) weeks prior to said election. The ballots to be voted at said election shall have written or printed, or partly written or partly printed thereon the words, "in favor of issuing township bonds—yes," or the words "in favor of issuing township bonds—no." And if the majority of votes cast at said election are in favor of the issue of such bonds, the board of supervisors of said township may issue said bonds accordingly. If the majority of votes so cast are against the issue of said bonds, said bonds shall not be issued.

SEC. 6. Said bonds shall not be negotiated for a less sum than their face value, and if a surplus should remain from the sale thereof, over and above the amount needed in connection with the amount appropriated by the county of Stearns, for the purpose herein designated to complete said bridge, such surplus may, by a vote of the qualified electors of said township, taken at any annual township election, be appropriated for such other purposes of public improvement in said township, as may by such vote be determined upon.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 6, 1885.

CHAPTER 137.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL TO ISSUE THE BONDS OF SAID CITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FREE WAGON BRIDGE ACROSS THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER, AND AMENDATORY TO CHAPTER EIGHTY-SEVEN (87) OF THE SPECIAL LAWS OF THE EXTRA SESSION OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE (1881).

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. In addition to the amount of bonds authorized to be issued by them by chapter eighty-seven (87) of the special laws passed at the extra session of the legislature of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881), and approved November twelfth (12th), one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881), the common council of the city of St. Paul are hereby authorized and empowered to issue the bonds of said city, with coupons attached, to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of constructing and completing a free wagon bridge across the Mississippi. The action of the said common council in locating the said bridge across the Mississippi river from Robert street on the east side to Ducas street on the west side of the river is hereby sanctioned and confirmed.

SEC. 2. The said bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, and shall bear interest at the rate of not more than (5) five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually; and said bonds shall not mature at a date earlier than thirty (30) years from their date; *Provided*, That the additional bonds authorized to be issued under this act shall not be issued during the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (1885).

SEC. 3. Section two (2) of said chapter eighty-seven (87) of the