

CHAPTER XX.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to reduce the law incorporating the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, and State of Minnesota, and the several acts amendatory thereof, into one act, and to amend the same," approved March sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight. March 1, 1869.

- SECTION 1. Amendment to Section two (2) of Title two (2), Chapter twenty-six (26) of the Special Laws of 1868. Elective officers of said city—term of office.
2. Amendment to Section four (4) of Title two (2) of said Chapter. Vacancies, how filled.
3. Amendment to Section two (2) of Title five (5) of said Chapter. All orders drawn upon the City Treasurer to specify the purpose for which drawn.
4. Amendment to Section eight (8) of Title five (5) of said act. Council may direct the Treasurer to set aside a special fund for the purpose of paying salaries of city officers.
5. Amendment to Chapter five (5) of said act, by an additional Section:
16. Authorized to issue bonds—in what amount—for what purpose—at what rate of interest—when redeemable—how interest and principal provided for.
6. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That section two (2), of chapter two (2), of "an act to reduce the law incorporating the city of Saint Paul, in the county of Ramsey, and state of Minnesota, and the several acts amendatory thereof, into one act, and to amend the same," approved March sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, be, and is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Sec. 2. The elective officers of said city shall be, a mayor, city treasurer, city attorney, street commissioner, city surveyor, city assessors, city comptroller, and city justice, all of which said officers shall be residents within and qualified voters of said city. Each ward shall elect

Elective officers
—term of office.

three aldermen, one justice of the peace, and one constable, who shall be residents in and qualified voters of the ward for which they may be elected. All other officers necessary for the proper management of the affairs of said city, shall be appointed by the common council, and shall be residents within and qualified voters of said city. At any annual election, there shall be elected one alderman from each ward, who shall hold his office for three years. The city justice, city treasurer, city attorney, street commissioner, city assessor, and constables of each ward, shall hold their office for two (2) years. And all officers, whether elected or appointed, shall hold their offices until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified.

SEC. 2. That section four (4), of said chapter two (2), of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Sec. 4. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of mayor or alderman, such vacancy shall be filled by a new election, which shall be ordered and held within ten days after such vacancy shall occur, and reasonable notice of such election shall be given. Any vacancy happening in any other office, from any cause whatsoever, shall be filled by the appointment of the common council. The person elected or appointed to fill a vacancy, shall hold his office and discharge the duties thereof, for the unexpired term, and with the same rights, and subject to the same liabilities as the person whose office he may be elected or appointed to fill.

SEC. 3. That section two (2), of chapter five (5), of said act, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Sec. 2. All orders drawn upon the city treasurer, shall specify the specific purpose for which they were drawn, and the particular fund out of which the same shall be payable. As soon as the common council shall have duly examined and allowed any account, claim or demand against the city, they shall send the same to the comptroller, who shall immediately audit the same, and designate therein the particular fund out of which the same shall be paid. The city clerk shall thereupon draw and sign an order for the amount so allowed and audited, and submit such order to the comptroller, and if the same is drawn upon the proper fund, and for the proper amount, he shall at once countersign the said order, and thereupon the city clerk shall issue and deliver the same to the person or persons named therein, and take a receipt therefor.

Vacancies, how filled.

How orders to be drawn upon city treasurer.

All orders shall be drawn payable to the order of the person or persons in whose favor the account, claim or demand was allowed, and they may be transferred by endorsement after delivery by the city clerk.

SEC. 4. That section eight (8), of said chapter five (5), is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Sec. 8. The common council may at any time by resolution, direct the city treasurer to set aside any of the revenues of said city not specially pledged to the interest and sinking fund, nor arising from the annual tax levy, as a special fund for the purpose of paying the police force, street force, and the salaries of city officers ; and thereafter, the said police and street force and city officers may be paid out of any moneys in such special fund, or out of the general fund, as the common council may direct.

Treasurer to set aside a special fund—for what purpose.

SEC. 5. That the following is hereby enacted as an additional section to said chapter five (5) of said act, to be numbered section sixteen of chapter five (5), viz :

Sec. 16. The said city of Saint Paul is hereby authorized to issue bonds at any time hereafter, to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, payable in not less than twenty nor more than thirty years from date, with coupons attached payable semi-annually, in the city of New York, said bonds to bear interest at the rate of eight (8) per cent. per annum. The said bonds, or the proceeds thereof, to be used by said city for the following specific purposes, to wit : Twenty-five thousand dollars of said bonds to be used by the common council of said city, for the purchase of suitable grounds, and the erection thereon of suitable fire engine houses, an equal amount to be expended in each ward, as the necessities of said city may demand ; and seventy-five thousand dollars of said bonds, to be negotiated by said common council at such rate as the commissioners of the interest and sinking fund of said city may recommend by resolution, to be approved by the common council, and the proceeds thereof to be applied.

To issue bonds—amount—for what purpose—rate of interest—when redeemed—how paid.

First—To pay off the fifty-one thousand and ninety-seven dollars and seventeen cents of "bills payable," of said city now outstanding, and drawing interest at twelve per cent. per annum, with all interest thereon accrued.

Second—To pay off all bonds of said city which were due on the first day of January, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and the interest thereon accrued. And the balance of such proceeds to be deposited to the credit of the sinking fund of said city.

The interest and principal of said bonds shall be provided for in a like manner as for other bonds of said city, and the faith and credit of said city shall be pledged for the prompt payment of such interest and principal.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. And all parts and portions of the said act, inconsistent with these amendments, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 1, 1869.

CHAPTER XXI.

Feb'y 19, 1869.

An Act to extend the jurisdiction of the city of Saint Paul over a part of the Owatonna Road in Dakota county, for certain purposes.

- SECTION 1. Jurisdiction of said city extended over the Owatonna Road from the west end of the bridge to foot of bluff—for what purpose.
2. Town of West St. Paul relieved from all responsibility for the want of repairs, etc.
3. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That the city of Saint Paul is hereby authorized to extend its jurisdiction over so much of the state road, known as the Owatonna Road, as lies between the west end of the St. Paul bridge and the foot of the bluff in the town of West St. Paul, in Dakota county, so far as to permit the common council of said city, its officers and agents, to improve and repair the said part of said road and its bridges, and to keep the same in repair, in like manner and with like responsibility as if said portion of said road were a public street of said city, and with all right of action against said city by reason of want of repair thereof.

City jurisdiction extended—for what purpose.

When act to take effect.