

CHAPTER LVI.

February 16,
1872

An Act to Authorize and Empower the Board of County Commissioners of the county of Pope to Issue Bonds for certain purposes.

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

Authority to
issue bonds.

SECTION 1. That the county commissioners of the county of Pope, are hereby authorized and empowered to issue, at any time prior to the first day of July, A. D. 1872, the bonds of said county, with coupons attached thereto, not exceeding in amount the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000), for the purpose of raising money to loan to the farmers of said county, who suffered loss by damage to their crops during the summer or fall of 1871, as hereinafter provided.

Denomination
of bonds and
rate of interest

SEC. 2. The said bonds shall be in sums of not less than fifty dollars (\$50) each, with interest not exceeding twelve (12) per cent. per annum, payable annually, and the principal in five (5) years or less as the county commissioners may provide; which said bonds and coupons thereto attached, shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners, and countersigned by the county auditor of said county.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the chairman of the board of county commissioners of the county of Pope, to call a meeting of said board on or before the 20th day of February, A. D. 1872, and such adjourned meeting as may be neces-

sary up to the 25th day of February, 1872, at which meeting all citizens of said county who suffered loss or damage to their crops, improvements, or other property by fire, storm or otherwise, at any time during the summer or fall of 1871, may present to said board a statement in writing of such loss or damage, the amount and value of the same, and the time and cause of such loss or damage, which statement shall be signed and sworn to by the applicant and by one or more other person or persons, who have personal knowledge of the facts herein stated. The said board shall thereupon forthwith examine into the writs of the said claim, and may allow or disallow the same, in whole or in part, as they find the facts in the case may justify; and the chairman of said board shall endorse upon said claim the amount allowed, and file the same with the county auditor; *provided*, that in no case shall any one person be allowed a greater sum than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor shall any sum be allowed other than *bona fide* residents of said county.

Claims for damages.

SEC. 4. On the 24th day of February, 1872, or within two days thereafter, the county auditor, together with the county commissioners or the chairman thereof, shall consolidate all such claims as have been allowed, together with the name of the applicant, and post office address and township where the applicant resides, and file the same with the county treasurer; and after the board of county commissioners have ascertained the amount needed for seed and relief for the sufferers, they may then issue the bonds for the amount needed, as provided in section one and two of this act, and the county auditor and treasurer may negotiate the same for the purpose of getting money to aid the *farmers* to get their seed grain, on the conditions provided for in section "3" of this act and as hereinafter provided, and said bonds shall not be sold for less than ninety cents (90) on the dollar.

Claims consolidated and filed

SEC. 5. After the bonds are negotiated and the money obtained, it shall be placed into the hands of the county treasurer, who shall forthwith notify the chairman of the board of county commissioners of the same.

Proceeds of bonds.

SEC. 6. The several claimants named in the duplicates filed in the office of the county treasurer as aforesaid, shall be entitled to borrow from the county treasurer, the amounts of their respective claims, as allowed and endorsed, as provided in section "3" of this act; and upon such security, condition and term as may be fixed by the board of county commissioners of said county, either by mortgage, notes or otherwise.

Treasurer to loan money to amount of claims.

Notes and mortgages to be held by treasurer.

SEC. 7. The said notes and securities shall remain in the hands of the county treasurer or his successor in office, and he may in his name as such county treasurer, institute all necessary suits, legal proceedings and foreclosures as may be necessary to collect the said notes and securities.

Treasurer to keep record of notes and mortgages.

SEC. 8. The county treasurer shall keep a true and accurate record of the said notes and securities, and of all collections of principal and interest on account thereof, and shall keep the same as a separate fund for to pay the bonds aforesaid, and the interest thereon, as the same becomes due.

When act to take effect.

SEC. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 16, 1872.

CHAPTER LVII.

February 29,
1872.

An Act to Repeal Chapter Fifty-two of the Special Laws of the State of Minnesota, Approved February 27, 1871, being an Act Entitled an Act to Authorize the City of Winona to Aid in the Construction of the Winona and Southwestern Railroad.

SECTION 1. Repeal of chapter 52 of special laws of 1871, authorizing the city to aid a railroad.

2. When act to take effect.

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

Repeal of chapter 52, special laws.

SECTION 1. Chapter fifty-two (52) of the Special laws of the state of Minnesota, approved February 27, 1871, being an act entitled an act to authorize the city of Winona to aid in the construction of the Winona and Southwestern Railway is hereby repealed.

When act to take effect.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 29, 1872.