

CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL, AND THE SEVERAL ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever the owners or occupants of the majority of the amount of frontage and of assessed value of lots or parcels of land, and the buildings and improvements thereon fronting on any continuous portion of third (3rd), fourth (4th), fifth (5th), sixth (6th), seventh (7th), eighth (8th), Jackson, Robert, Wabashaw, St. Peter, and Fort streets, and Dayton and Summit avenues in this city, and not less than one (1) full block, shall petition the common council to provide for sprinkling such portion of said street, the common council shall if they deem it advisable, refer said petition to the Board of Public Works; with instructions to cause a contract after having given ten (10) days' notice by at least five (5) publications in the official paper of said city, to be let for a period not to exceed two years for the sprinkling of so much of any street or part of a street as may have been petitioned for by a majority of the owners and occupants as aforesaid.

SEC. 2. The board of public works as soon after the letting and execution of any contract as aforesaid as practicable, shall proceed to make an assessment for the amount of money necessary to defray the cost and expense of such sprinkling, including the necessary expenses of making and collecting such assessment upon that part of the street so sprinkled and which are subject to assessment, and the buildings and improvements thereon by an equal rate on the assessed value of such lots, lands, buildings and improvements without regard to the number of front feet.

SEC. 3. Assessments for sprinkling streets may be in the following form or any other form which the Board of Public Works of said city may adopt:

The Board of Public Works of the city of St. Paul, doth hereby assess and levy upon and against the several lots and parcels of land below described, and the buildings and improvements thereon the respective sums of money set opposite each lot or parcel of land. This assessment is levied to defray the expense of sprinkling the streets fronting the said lots and parcels of land from.....
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according to a contract for sprinkling.....
..... from..... to.....
..... for the term of..... years from.....
....., and said lots and parcels of land, buildings and improvements, are assessed by an equal rate upon the assessed value of the lots, lands, buildings and improvements fronting on the portion of the street so sprinkled.

Name of owners, if known.	Description of land.	Lot.	Block.	Amount.	
				Dollars.	Cts.

Done at a meeting of the Board of Public Works this.....day
of.... A. D. 188.....,
Attest,

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President of the Board of Public Works.

[SEAL.] Clerk of the Board of Public Works.

SEC. 4. When said assessment is completed, the said board of public works shall give six (6) days notice by at least two (2) publications to the effect that at a time and place therein set forth, that said assessment will be confirmed unless cause is shown to the contrary, and that objections must be filed one (1) day before such time of meeting with the clerk of said board; such objections shall be made and filed in the same manner, and said board shall proceed in hearing the same, and have the same power to correct, confirm or set aside such assessment or proceed de novo, as provided in section fifteen (15), chapter seven (7), of the city charter. Said assessment when confirmed shall be final and conclusive, and no appeal shall be taken therefrom, a warrant shall issue for the collection thereof, and said assessment shall be enforced and collected as other assessments for local improvements.

SEC. 5. All the provisions of the city charter which relates to the bonds to be given in letting any contract for local improvement, the power of the board of public works to complete the contract at the expense of the contractor, in case of it not being performed according to its terms in the opinion of the board of public works; the retention of the fifteen (15) per cent. until the completion of the contract, and the payment of all demands for labor or teams, shall apply with equal force to any contracts for sprinkling streets.

SEC. 6. The common council of the city of St. Paul, in addition to its power shall have authority:

First. To provide for the inspection of steam boilers.

Second. To levy a tax not to exceed one (1) mill in any one (1) year, to create a fund applicable to the construction or repair of the Wabashaw street bridge over the Mississippi river, and may anticipate the collection of such levy by the issue of certificates of indebtedness, in the event of any extraordinary or sudden injury to said bridge, that will require the immediate repair thereof.

Third. To levy a tax not to exceed one-sixth (1-6) of one (1) mill in any one (1) year for three (3) years to create a fund applicable to the improvement of the public parks in said city, and the construction of fences and the grading and paving of streets around said parks.

SEC. 7. Whenever the board of health shall report to the common council, that stagnant or impure water stands upon any lot, lots or parcels of land thereby creating a nuisance injurious to public health, the common council may refer said report to the board of public works, upon such reference said board shall then proceed to investigate the same, and if they shall determine that such nuisance does exist by reason of any stagnant or impure water standing upon any lot, lots or parcels of land and that the same is injurious to public health, they shall report the same to the common council accompanied by a plan for the abatement of such nuisance, together with an estimate of the expense, if real estate to be assessed for said improvement be found benefited to the extent of damages, costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby, and also send to the council a proper order directing the work to be done, and after the common council shall order the doing of said work, the same proceedings shall be had in relation thereto by the board of public works and city treasurer as in case of other local improvements as provided in chapter seven (7) of the city charter, and the acts amendatory thereof.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved November 12, 1881.

CHAPTER 34.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER SEVEN (7) OF AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REDUCE THE ACT INCORPORATING THE CITY OF ROCHESTER, IN THE COUNTY OF OL MSTED, AND STATE OF MINNESOTA, AND THE SEVERAL ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF, AND THE ACT TO ORGANIZE A BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE CITY OF ROCHESTER, AND THE SEVERAL ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF TO ONE ACT AND TO AMEND THE SAME." APPROVED MAR H NINTH (9), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN (1867), AND THE SUBSEQUENT ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF, BY ADDING CERTAIN NEW SECTIONS TO SAID CHAPTER RELATING TO THE VACATING OF STREETS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS.

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

SECTION 1. That chapter seven (7) of an act entitled: "An act to reduce the act incorporating the city of Rochester, in the county of Olmsted, and State of Minnesota and the several acts amendatory thereof, and the act to organize a board of education for the