

CHAPTER 112.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREEBORN COUNTY TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING A COURT HOUSE IN SAID COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of Freeborn county, Minnesota, are hereby authorized to issue bonds for the purpose of erecting a court house at Albert Lea, the county seat of said county; the total sum of such bonds shall not exceed the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), in such denominations as the said county commissioners may determine.

SEC. 2. Said bonds may bear interest at a rate not to exceed six (6) per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually at such place as the said board of county commissioners shall direct, and the principal payable as they may direct at a time or times not less than five (5) years nor more than twenty (20) years from the date of issue of said bonds.

SEC. 3. The proper authorities of said Freeborn county shall annually include in the general tax levied in said county, an amount sufficient to pay the interest of such bonds as shall be issued under the provisions of this act, falling due within the year when said taxes are due and collected, and a further sum sufficient to pay the principal of said bonds at their maturity.

SEC. 4. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act, shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners of said county, and countersigned by the auditor thereof, before the same shall become valid, and the said auditor shall keep a record of the bonds so issued, stating the numbers, dates, amounts, to whom issued, and when and where payable.

SEC. 5. The said board of county commissioners shall negotiate said bonds as in their judgment shall be for the best interests of said county; *Provided*, That the net amount paid into the treasury of said county from the sale thereof, shall not be less than the par value of said bonds, together with any interest that shall have accrued thereon before such sale and payment.

SEC. 6. Said bonds shall not be issued as provided in section one (1) of this act unless authorized by a majority of the qualified voters of said county voting thereon at the general election to be held in one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three (1883), and for the purpose of determining said question the county commissioners of said county shall give public notice by publishing the same in some newspaper having general circulation in said county, and by notices posted in at least one (1) of the most public places in each township and ward in said county, setting forth the time and place of holding said election, and substantially the amount of bonds proposed to be issued or disposed of. Said notices shall be posted or caused to be posted by the town clerk of each township and by the city clerk of the city of Albert Lea in each ward thereof as provided by law in case of annual town meetings, but the failure of any town clerk or the city clerk of

the city of Albert Lea, to post said notices, shall not affect the validity of said elections. Those voting in favor of said issue of bonds shall have written or printed or partly written and partly printed on the ballots used the words, "For issue of bonds for court house," and those voting against the same the words, "Against issue of bonds for court house." And said voting shall be conducted and canvassed and returned as provided by law in case of general elections, and within ten (10) days after said election the county auditor and two justices of the peace to be selected by him, shall count the vote and file in the office of said auditor a certificate under their hands and the seal of the auditor, setting forth the total number of votes cast on said question; and if a majority of votes so cast shall be in favor of the issue of said bonds, they shall then be issued as hereinbefore provided, but not otherwise.

Provided, That if said proposition is defeated at the said election, the county commissioners of said county may cause the same to be re-submitted to the electors of said county to be voted upon as herein provided; *Provided, however*, That a lapse of one (1) year shall occur between the vote and a re-submission.

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

Approved February 26, 1883.

CHAPTER 113.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN MOWER COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, TO ISSUE BONDS TO CREATE A FUND FOR CONSTRUCTING BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE.

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

SECTION 1. That the common council of the city of Austin, Mower county, state of Minnesota, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue city of Austin bonds to the amount of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000), for the purpose of creating a fund for the payment of the construction of Bridge street bridge, and its approaches in said city.

Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding seven (7) per cent. per annum, and to run for a time not exceeding ten (10) years.

SEC. 2. The said common council are hereby authorized and empowered to pledge the faith of said city of Austin in the issue of said bonds for the payment thereof. Said bonds shall be signed by the mayor of said city, and countersigned by the recorder of said city, and shall be sealed with the seal of said city of Austin.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage

Approved January 12, 1883.