

sition of any fine or penalty, or of the rendering of any judgment by a city justice of said city, pursuant to any statute of the state of Minnesota, or pursuant to any ordinance or by-law of the said city, as punishment for any offence, or for the violation of any ordinance or by-law as aforesaid, the offender shall be forthwith committed to the city prison of said city, or if there be no city prison, to the common jail of the county, and be there imprisoned for a term not exceeding three months, in the discretion of the city justice, unless the said fine or penalty be sooner paid or satisfied; and from the time of the arrest of any person or persons for any offence whatever, until the time of trial, the person or persons so arrested may be imprisoned in the city prison, or in case there be no city prison, in the common jail of the county.

Sec. 80. Officers not to be disqualified on account of residence.—No person shall be an incompetent judge, justice, witness or juror, by reason of his being an inhabitant of said city, in any proceeding or action in which the city shall be a party in interest.

Sec. 81. City may purchase and hold real estate.—Each city may purchase and hold real and personal estate for public purposes, sufficient for the convenience of the inhabitants thereof, and may sell and convey the same, and the same shall be free from taxation.

Sec. 82. Powers and limitations.—All cities incorporated and organized under this act shall have and possess all the powers and authority and be subject to all limitations and duties contained in any and all laws heretofore, or hereafter enacted which refer and apply specifically to cities of the Fourth Class not existing or operating under a charter adopted in pursuance of Section 36, Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota.

Sec. 83. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 84. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1921.

CHAPTER 463—H. F. No. 1048.

An act providing for the consolidation of villages in cases where the boundary between the villages is formed by a meandered body of water, stream or river.

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

Section 1. Consolidation of villages.—Whenever the boundary lines of two villages may be adjacent and are formed by a meandered stream or river, said villages may be consolidated on agreeing as follows:

Sec. 2. Proceedings for consolidation.—The council of either village may of its own motion, and upon petition of twenty-five (25) resident voters forthwith shall, order a special election upon the question of consolidation, the general terms of which shall be stated in such petition, and in the questions submitted to vote, and in case a majority of the votes cast at such election is in favor of consolidation the same shall be effectual on the agreement thereto by the other village after an election called as above provided is held therein in case a majority of the votes cast thereat are in favor thereof, and if a majority of the votes cast thereat are against such consolidation the vote of the council thereon shall be of no effect, and such consolidation shall not take place.

Sec. 3. Notice and proof of consolidation.—Upon such consolidation being effected and within thirty days thereafter, as provided in the preceding sections, a certified copy of the proceedings had with reference thereto in both such villages and of the consolidation agreement entered into between such villages shall be filed with the county auditor of the county wherein such villages are located. These certified copies so filed shall for all purposes constitute notice to the county auditor and all other county and state officers of such consolidation of the two villages.

Sec. 4. Agreements to be binding.—The agreements between such villages with reference to the terms of consolidation shall be binding upon the consolidated village.

Sec. 5. This act shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1921.

CHAPTER 464—H. F. No. 1049.

An act to amend Section 6515, General Statutes 1913, relating to powers of county agricultural societies and authorizing the appointment of peace officers by such societies and defining their powers.

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

Section 1. Agricultural societies—Peace officers.—That Section 6515 General Statutes 1913 be, and the same hereby is, amended so as to read as follows:

"6515. An agricultural society may be incorporated by citizens of any county or two or more counties jointly, but only one such county shall be organized in any county; such society may sue and be sued in its corporate name; may adopt by-laws, rules and regulations, alter and amend the same; may purchase and hold, lease and control any real or personal property deemed to promote the objects of the society, sell and convey the same.

Such society shall have jurisdiction and control of the grounds