Section 22. Town board to keep sewers in repair.—Whenever any such sewer shall be laid, relaid or extended, it shall be the duty of the town board to maintain and keep the same in repair at the expense of the town.

Section 23. Private connections with sewer.—All private connections shall be made with lateral sewers, unless some insurmountable obstacle of a practical nature shall prevent and no private connection with any sewer whatever shall in any event be made without permission therefor granted by the town board and the making of all private connections with any sewer shall be subject to supervision and control by the town board; provided that such supervision and control may be delegated by the town board to any engineer or other person selected by the town board at its discretion.

Section 24. Shall have right of eminent domain.—Whenever it shall become necessary for the town to exercise the right of eminent domain for the purpose included within this act all proceedings therein shall conform as near as may be to the provisions of Section 2620 to 2632, both inclusive of the General Statutes of 1894 and amendments thereto.

Section 25. Towns to have power of villages.—For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act a Town as defined in Section 1 hereof shall have and possess all the power and have the same authority now possessed by villages under the general laws of this State and the chairman of the town board shall be deemed the chief executive officer thereof and the town clerk shall be charged with the duty of performing all the clerical functions necessary therefor and the town board shall have and possess all the power and authority now possessed by a village council, under said general laws of this State.

Section 26. Town may contribute part of expense.—The town may contribute to the cost of the construction of such sewer such proportionate share thereof, as shall be determined by the Town Board before making the assessments for such sewer and may pay the said share so determined, out of the general funds of the Town.

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CHAPTER 33-S. F. No. 18

An act authorizing the county board of certain counties to appoint a county purchasing agent and legalizing certain acts heretofore performed.

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

- Section 1. County purchasing agent in certain counties.— In any county now or hereafter having a population of not less than fifty thousand nor more than seventy thousand inhabitants according to the last federal census, and consisting of not less than thirty-five nor more than forty-five congressional townships, the county board may by resolution duly adopted at a meeting of said board, appoint a county purchasing agent who shall act during the pleasure of the board and who shall have supervision under the direction of said county board, of the purchase and distribution of all merchandise and supplies used by any department of said county, up to the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). The county board may allow such clerical help to such county purchasing agent as it shall deem necessary. The said county board may provide in the county court house a suitable store-room in which to store and from which to distribute said supplies and may prescribe such rules and regulations for the management of the work of said purchasing agent as it shall deem necessary.
- Sec. 2. Compensation of purchasing agent and assistant.— The compensation of such purchasing agent and of any assistants shall be fixed by the county board by resolution, and upon receipt of any such resolution certifying the name, compensation, and date of appointment, it shall be the duty of the county auditor to enter the name of such purchasing agent and any assistants in the books of the office kept for recording the names of county officers and their employes and said county purchasing agent and his assistants shall be paid such compensation in the same manner as other county officials and employes are now paid, and the same shall be in full compensation for all services rendered to such county by such county purchasing agent and his assistants. Any services and acts rendered and performed by such purchasing agent and his assistants since January 1, 1937, are hereby approved and legalized and the county board is hereby authorized to compensate for the same.
- Sec. 3. Bond.—The county purchasing agent herein authorized to be appointed shall take the oath prescribed by law for public officials and file with the Register of Deeds for record a public bond running to the county, in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), the reasonable premium for which bond, if paid to any corporate surety company, shall be paid by said county.

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