

## CHAPTER 196—H. F. No. 857

*An act relating to powers and duties of town boards in certain towns; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 366.02.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 366.02, is amended to read:

**366.02. Town board; powers, duties; certain towns.** This section shall apply only to those towns now or hereafter having a population, including the population of all villages within such town not separated from the town for election and assessment purposes, exceeding 2,000, and not exceeding 10,000, and an assessed valuation, exclusive of money and credits, such that a tax levy of 17 mills upon the dollar of such assessed taxable valuation would produce a total levy in excess of an average of \$1,000 per governmental section of the entire area of such town, according to the government survey thereof. If any such town within this state comes within this classification it shall not thereafter cease to be governed by the provisions of this section, notwithstanding any change in valuation or population.

In addition to all other powers and duties provided by law, the town board, in such towns herein designated, shall have the power to:

(1) Fix monthly salaries to be paid by the town to the town clerk, assessor and treasurer in lieu of the amounts otherwise provided by law to be paid by the town; provided the compensation so fixed shall not, in the case of the town clerk, exceed the sum of \$200 per month, in the case of assessor, shall not exceed the sum of \$100 per month; and, in the case of the treasurer, shall not exceed the sum of \$100 per month;

(2) Employ when necessary clerical help, stenographers, or assistants to the town clerk;

(3) Provide by resolution for the division of such town into not more than two voting districts for the purpose of

electing town officers, and shall designate by resolution at each election a polling place for each voting district established, which division shall be only for the purpose of electing candidates for town office and shall not change the manner of transacting any other business at town meetings; and the notice of the annual meeting, in such case, shall describe the different voting districts and the polling places in each, and shall state that candidates for town office will be voted on only at such polling places, and that all other business of the annual meeting will be transacted at the usual place of meeting, the time and place of which shall be specified in the notice;

(4) Publish the minutes and proceedings of the town board meetings and of the annual meeting and all other notices and publications which the town is required by law to publish;

(5) Repair, *maintain* and improve any street, sidewalk, or alley of any village included in the limits of such town, *by contract or otherwise*, if such village neglects to keep its streets, sidewalks, and alleys in repair. *When such improvements are made, the town board shall have power to let contracts therefor as provided by law, and it may enter into agreements with the village council of such village for an equitable division of costs therefor;*

(6) Establish, maintain, and regulate the location of a public market or potato warehouse and market houses and provide for the use thereof;

(7) Establish, maintain and regulate a public cannery and provide for the use thereof;

(8) *Provide for the collection and disposal of garbage in any village included in the limits of such town, by contract or otherwise, if such village fails or neglects to do so.*

Approved March 29, 1951.

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#### CHAPTER 197—H. F. No. 917

*An act relating to garnishment; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 571.41.*

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