

governor is hereby authorized and directed, upon the recommendation of the director of the division of public institutions, to grant to the City of Owatonna, a municipal corporation of the State of Minnesota, by a proper instrument, attested by the state auditor, an easement for road or street purposes over, under, and across the following described property situate in the Northwest Quarter of Section 9 in Township 107 North of Range 20 West in Steele County, Minnesota, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 2 rods west of the southwest corner of Lot 4 in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 9, Township 107 North, Range 20 West, said point of beginning being the intersection of the west line of State Avenue and the center line of North Street in the City of Owatonna; thence south 745 feet; thence west 30 feet; thence north 745 feet; thence east 30 feet to the place of beginning, except the right-of-way of Chicago, Northwestern and Pacific Railroad Company.

Approved April 23, 1951.

CHAPTER 685—H. F. No. 1483

An act relating to the state civil service, extending the powers of the board and providing for provisional and temporary appointments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Sections 43.06 and 43.20.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 43.06, is amended to read:

43.06. Board; duties, powers. It shall be the duty of the civil service board and it shall have power:

(1) To approve, modify, reject, or approve as modified, rules and regulations and amendments thereto prepared and recommended by the director for carrying out the purposes of this chapter; these rules and regulations and any amend-

ments thereto shall not be approved by the board until after a public hearing by the board, of which two weeks' published notice shall have been given that a hearing, at a specified place and time, is to be held upon the proposed rules and regulations, and that any citizen, officer, or employee of the state may attend and participate in the hearing; copies of all rules and regulations shall be sent to all state appointing officers, and printed copies of these rules and regulations and amendments thereto shall be prepared for public distribution;

(2) After public hearing, to approve, modify, reject, or approve as modified, plans for the classification of positions in the state civil service prepared and recommended by the director of the state civil service;

(3) After public hearing, to approve, modify, reject, or approve as modified, compensation schedules for positions in the state civil service prepared and recommended by the director for submission to the commissioner;

(4) To make investigations, either at the discretion of the governor, or upon petition of a citizen for just cause, or of its own motion, concerning the enforcement and effect of this chapter;

(5) To prepare and transmit to the governor, not later than November 15, each year, a report of the department of civil service;

(6) To conduct hearings and pass upon complaints by or against any officer or employee in the classified service for the purpose of demotion, suspension, or removal of the officer or employee, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter;

(7) To hear and pass upon such other matters as the director of the state civil service may, from time to time, bring before the board for determination; and

(8) To discharge such other duties as are imposed upon it by this chapter.

(9) *Upon the recommendation of the director that suitable persons are unavailable to fill vacancies in a class, grade, or group of positions and an eligible list therefor cannot be*

established, the board may authorize the director to extend provisional appointments made pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 43.20 (1), in such class, grade, or group of positions until eligible lists can be established therefor but in no event, shall any provisional appointee fill any vacancy for more than one year.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 43.20, is amended to read:

43.20. Positions filled without competition. Positions in the classified service may be filled without competition only as follows:

(1) When there are urgent reasons for filling a vacancy in any position in the classified service and the director is unable to certify from any appropriate eligible list for the vacancy, the director may issue a provisional permit or certify a suitable person to fill such vacancy provisionally only until a selection and appointment can be made after competitive examination; but no person shall receive more than one provisional appointment nor serve more than *six* months in any *12 month period* as a provisional appointee;

(2) In case of an emergency, an appointment may be made without regard to the provisions of this chapter, but in no case shall it continue longer than ten days, and in no case shall successive emergency appointments be made; this provision shall apply to both persons and positions; and no person shall receive more than three emergency appointments in any one or different positions within one year;

(3) In case of a vacancy in a position where peculiar and exceptional qualifications of a scientific, professional, or expert character are required, and upon satisfactory evidence that for specified reasons competition in this special case is impracticable and that the position can best be filled by the selection of some designated person of high and recognized attainments in these qualities, the board, upon recommendation of the director, may suspend the requirements of competition in this case, but no suspension shall be general in its application to the position, and all the cases of suspension shall be reported in the annual report of the department, with the reasons for the same;

(4) Where the services to be rendered by an appointee are for a temporary period not to exceed *six* months, the director shall certify *from an eligible list* for the temporary service any person he deems qualified; the acceptance or refusal by an eligible of a temporary appointment shall not affect his standing on the register for permanent employment, not shall the period of temporary service be counted as a part of the probationary period in case of subsequent appointment to a permanent position; and no person shall receive more than one temporary appointment within one year.

Approved April 23, 1951.

CHAPTER 686—H. F. No. 1595

[Not Coded]

An act relating to salaries of mayor and aldermen in certain fourth class cities; amending Laws 1945, Chapter 431, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1945, Chapter 431, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **Salaries of mayor and aldermen.** In each city of the fourth class in any county having more than 15,000 and less than 20,000 inhabitants according to the 1940 federal census, and having more than 100 full and fractional congressional townships, the salary of the mayor shall be \$600 per annum, and the salaries of the aldermen shall be \$7.50 a meeting for each meeting attended during the fiscal year, not exceeding \$400 in any one year.

Approved April 23, 1951.

CHAPTER 687—H. F. No. 1600

An act relating to inspectors of mines; their compensation and duties; and the manner of inspection of mines and providing penalties for violations; amending Minnesota Statutes.