

CHAPTER CVIII.

March 4, 1868. *An Act to authorize the commissioners of the county of Freeborn to issue bonds in aid of the construction of railroads in said county.*

- SECTION 1. County Commissioners authorized to issue bonds—in what amount—for what purpose issued.
2. Interest, at what rate and when payable—principal, when payable.
 3. Commissioners authorized to enter into an agreement with the officers of said company in relation to terms, time and conditions of the issue.
 4. To be submitted to the legal voters of said county—how election to be conducted—ballots, how prepared.
 5. May levy a tax to pay principal and interest.
 6. Commissioners may include in the proposition to be submitted the question of granting aid to any other Railway to be constructed through said county.
 7. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That the commissioners of the county of Freeborn are hereby authorized to issue bonds as herein provided, to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to aid in the construction of the Owatonna and State Line railway, via Geneva and Albert Lea, in said county, to the south line of the state.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be issued in sums of not less than one hundred dollars each, and may bear interest at a rate not exceeding ten per cent. per annum, payable annually, and shall run for a period not exceeding twenty years from their respective date. They shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners and countersigned by the county auditor.

SEC. 3. The commissioners of said county are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into any agreement with the officers of said railway company in relation to the terms, time, and condition of the issue of said bonds, and said commissioners may by resolution provide for the issue

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of said bonds, and the terms, time and conditions thereof, but in no case shall any portions of said bonds be issued or delivered in advance of actual grading done upon said road, nor shall any tax be levied for the purpose of paying any portion of the principal on said bonds until at least fifteen miles of said railway shall be completed with the cars running thereon, within the limits of said county.

SEC. 4. The proposition for issuing said bonds and the amount thereof, which shall be designated by said commissioners, shall be submitted to the legal voters of said county for their approval at any general election or at any special election which may be called by the commissioners for that purpose on not less than fifteen days notice, to be given previous thereto, and posted in a least two public places in each town. Such election shall be held and conducted and returns thereof made in manner and form, as near as practicable, as other elections held in said county. The voters casting their ballots in the affirmative shall use ballots written or printed or partly written and partly printed upon them, "In aid of construction of Owatonna and State Line Railway, \$— Yes." And those voting in the negative may use a ballot with words "In aid of construction of Owatonna and State Line Railway, \$— No." If a majority of the voters present and voting upon said proposition shall vote in favor thereof, then the commissioners aforesaid shall be fully authorized to issue said bonds as provided by this act, but if a majority of said voters shall vote in the negative, then no portion of said bonds shall be issued.

To be submitted to legal voters— election, how conducted— ballots, how prepared.

SEC. 5. For the purpose of paying the principal and interest on said bonds, the commissioners aforesaid are hereby authorized to levy a tax upon the real and personal property of said county in amounts sufficient to pay the interest as the same shall become due, and when any part of the principal shall become due, a sufficient amount to pay such principal, which taxes shall be levied and collected in like manner with other taxes, and the proceeds thereof paid into the treasury of said county, to be applied to the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds and for no other purposes.

Tax for paying principal and interest.

SEC. 6. The commissioners of said county may, under the provisions of this act, submit the proposition of issuing bonds in aid of said Owatonna and State Line Railway, or they may also include in the proposition to be submitted, the question of granting such aid in the construction

Granting aid to other railways to be submitted to legal voters.

of any other railway to be constructed into or through said county, and the total amount of bonds so proposed to be issued shall be included in a single proposition, and the form of the tickets to be used by those voting for and against said joint proposition shall be prescribed by the commissioners of said county, and public notice thereof given at least fifteen days previous to such election. *Provided however,* That not less than one half of the amount so appropriated shall be by said commissioners applied in the construction of the Owatonna and State Line Railway aforesaid. *And provided further,* That the total amount of bonds to be issued in any and all cases under the provisions of this act shall never exceed the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and that no portion thereof shall ever be applied or expended for the construction of any portion of said railways, outside of the limits of said county of Freeborn.

When act to take effect.

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

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CHAPTER CIX.

February 14, 1868

An Act to authorize the Register of Deeds of Goodhue county to transcribe and record town plats.

- SECTION 1. Register of Deeds authorized to transcribe all town plats—for what purpose.
2. To have the same force and effect as though the same had been originally recorded in such book.
 3. When act to take effect.

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

Register to transcribe all town plats—for what purpose.

SECTION 1. That the register of deeds of the county of Goodhue, in the state of Minnesota, be and he hereby is authorized to transcribe all town plats which now are or hereafter may be on file in his office, and by law requir-