

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 17, 1874.

CHAPTER LX.

AN ACT TO EXEMPT THE TOWN OF WANAMINGO, IN THE COUNTY OF GOODHUE, FROM THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN ACTS AUTHORIZING CERTAIN COUNTIES TO ISSUE BONDS TO RAILROAD COMPANIES.

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

SECTION 1. That none of the provisions of chapter forty-five of the special laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy, chapter sixty-one of the special laws of thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, or any other acts amendatory thereof, shall apply to or be operative in the township of Wanamingo, in the county of Goodhue, or be construed as authorizing said town to issue bonds to railroad companies.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 5, 1874.

CHAPTER LXI.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF REDWOOD AND TOWNS THEREON [IN] TO ISSUE BONDS IN AID OF RAILROAD.

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

SECTION 1. That it shall be lawful for the county of Redwood,

or the village of Redwood Falls, or any township in said county, to aid in the construction of any railroad which shall start at some point on any line of railroad now in operation in the state of Minnesota, and running therefrom and extending to the said village of Redwood Falls in said Redwood county, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. Whenever a petition shall be presented to the board of county commissioners of said Redwood county, signed by at least one hundred resident tax payers of said county, or a petition to the municipal authorities of said village of Redwood Falls, or the supervisors of any township in said county signed by at least twenty-five resident taxpayers thereof, asking that the question of aiding in the construction of any railroad as above provided, and stating the amount of special bonds of such county, village or town desired to be furnished as such aid be submitted to the voters thereof, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of said county, or the municipal authorities of said village, or supervisors of such town, to immediately give notice of a special election by publication in some newspaper published in said county, or in case no newspaper is published in the county, then such notice shall be published in the newspaper published nearest to the said village of Redwood Falls, the county seat of said Redwood county, and also by posting copies thereof in five public places in said county or village or such town at least twenty days before said election, which notice shall specify the time and place or places of holding said election, the railroad proposed to be aided, and the amount of bonds proposed to be issued, at which election the question of issuing to said railroad company the proposed amount of bonds of said county, village or town, shall be submitted to the legal voters of said county, village or town, to be determined by ballot, those in favor of the proposition having written or printed on their ballots the words "Railroad bonds, yes"; and those opposing the measure the words "Railroad bonds, no." The election shall be conducted and their ballots canvassed as nearly as may be in accordance with the modes of conducting county, town and municipal elections in ordinary cases.

SEC. 3. If a majority of the votes polled at such election shall be in favor of the issue of said bonds, the county commissioners, or municipal authorities of said village, or supervisors of the town, as the case may be, shall cause to be issued in the name of such county, village or town, and signed by the county commissioners, municipal authorities or supervisors, as the case may be, attested by the signature of the county auditor, village clerk or town clerk, and the corporate seal, if there be one, running to said railroad company or bearer, the special bonds of said county, village or town, to the aggregate amount so voted, which shall be in such sums, not less than one hundred dollars, nor exceeding one thousand dollars each, hav-

ing not less than ten, nor exceeding twenty years to run, and drawing interest at seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually. The amount of each, time and place and manner of payment within the limitations and restrictions aforesaid, to be fixed by the respective county commissioners, municipal authorities and supervisors issuing them or causing them to be issued; and such bonds may have interest coupons attached. Such bonds and coupons shall be in the usual form.

SEC. 4. That it shall be lawful for the said county, municipal authorities or town supervisors upon the presentation of a like petition as provided in section two of this act, upon giving the same notice as herein provided, to order the said vote upon the issue of said bonds to be polled at any general, county, town, or municipal election, and such vote shall by [be] polled in the same manner and with like effect as is provided herein, in case of a special election.

SEC. 5. In case at such election, either special or general, as provided in this act, the majority of votes polled should be in the negative, further and additional elections may be held upon new petitions, at any time not less than three months after the next prior election; *Provided*, That not more than one special election shall be held in any one year.

SEC. 6. Such railroad company shall not be entitled to any bonds under the provisions of this act until such railroad is completed and the cars running thereon, which fact shall be evidenced by the affidavit of the president of such railroad company, and the certificate of the presiding officer of the board of county commissioners, municipal authorities or supervisors, as the case may be.

SEC. 7. Said county, village or such townships issuing or delivering its bonds as aforesaid shall provide by taxation or otherwise, for the punctual payment thereof, principal and interest as they become due.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 9, 1874.