

ing: "And each of said commissioners may receive a further compensation of three dollars per day not exceeding ten days in any one year, for each day actually and necessarily employed as a member of a committee in the examination, location, establishment, change, or vacation of any road, highway, or in the examination of any bridge, or in the supervision of any bridge while the same is in process of construction."

SEC. 2. The county auditor of said county of Blue Earth is hereby prohibited and forbidden from issuing to any county commissioner of said county any order for per diem in excess of the amount now allowed by law.

SEC. 3. All fees or compensation heretofore paid to said county commissioners for services actually rendered are hereby legalized and made valid.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6, 1879.

CHAPTER LXV.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND REGULATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT THE CITY OF WINONA," THE SAME BEING CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE OF THE SPECIAL LAWS OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT.

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

SECTION 1. That section two of chapter one hundred and fifty-five of the special laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words in said section, "until their successors are elected and qualified."

SEC. 2. That section three of said chapter be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

In case of vacancy in the office of any director, by death, resignation, removal from his ward, or failure to qualify, the city council of said city shall have power to appoint a director to fill the vacancy, who shall qualify as provided in section two of this act and shall continue in office until the expiration of the time for which he has been appointed.

SEC. 3. That subdivision fourth, of section eleven, of said chapter be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Fourth—To have the custody, safe keeping and control of the school houses, lots, sites, and appurtenances, the books, furniture, and all other school property belonging to said city.

SEC. 4. That section thirteen of said chapter be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 13. On or before the first day of June annually, the board of education shall make an estimate of the whole amount of moneys required to defray the expenses of the schools during the ensuing financial year, and of the probable income from all sources for school purposes, in which estimate it shall set forth in detail the objects of expenditures and the sources of income, and shall state therein any deficiency of income to be supplied by special school tax, together with any deficiency of the preceding year, arising from a failure to realize from any source the amount estimated, and shall file a copy of such estimate with the city council. If the city council shall approve the estimate, the board shall be authorized to proceed in the expenditures in accordance therewith; but, if the city council shall disapprove or reduce the amount of any item or items of expenditure which may require a special tax, the board shall not be authorized to proceed in the expenditure disapproved, or in case of reduction, to proceed in any expenditures greater than the amount fixed by such reduction. The financial year shall commence on the first day of September annually.

SEC. 5. That section sixteen of said chapter be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 16. Whenever the board of education shall deem it advisable to sell any school house, lot, or site used or intended for school purposes, it shall report the same to the city council, with the reasons for such sale, and thereupon the said council shall have the power to sell such house, lot or [other] site, and when sold, the proceeds thereof, without diminution, shall be paid to the city treasurer, to the credit of the board of education.

Deeds of conveyance shall be in the name of the city of Winona as grantor, and shall be signed by the mayor, countersigned by the city recorder, and attested by the seal of said city; and such deed shall recite that the property thereby conveyed is school property.

SEC. 6. That section nineteen of said chapter be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 19. Whenever the estimates of expenses provided for in sections thirteen and fifteen of this act shall be presented to the city council, said council shall proceed to consider the same as hereinbefore provided, and shall certify their action therein to the board of education.

SEC. 7. That section twenty of said chapter be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 20. The said council shall have the power, and it shall be its duty once in each year, to cause a special school tax to be levied upon all taxable real and personal property in said city, sufficient in amount to cover all deficiencies as estimated by the board of education, and approved by said council for ordinary school purposes.

That said council shall also have the power and it shall be its duty from time to time to levy such taxes as may become necessary to provide school house lots and sites, and books for the reference library, in accordance with the estimate of the board of education, approved by said council, and to satisfy all judgments against said board.

That all taxes authorized by this act shall be assessed and collected at the same time and in the same manner as other city taxes, and shall be equally binding upon persons and property.

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

Approved March 4, 1879.

CHAPTER LXVI.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES IN THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, WHICH BECAME DELINQUENT ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE, A. D. ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN, APPROVED MARCH TWELFTH, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT.

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

SECTION 1. That section eleven of said act be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words following, to-wit:

And the county commissioners of the said county of St. Louis are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and dispose of any lands or lots upon which the taxes specified in the title of this act have not been paid upon such terms and at such prices as to them may seem proper, and receive in payment thereof, either in whole or in part, any of the evidences of indebtedness hereinbefore specified, and upon such payment the purchaser shall be entitled to receive an assignment of all the interest of the state in and to said lands or lots as provided for in section five of this act.

Provided also, That for the purpose of effecting a compromise and settlement of the claims of R. C. Mitchell and E. H. and C. H. Foster against the county of St. Louis, for the publication by them in the fall of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and by direction of the board of county commissioners and county auditor of the financial statement of St. Louis county, and the abstract of ledger transactions of St. Louis county for the two years ending October first, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, it is hereby made the duty of the county treasurer to accept and receive in payment of any of the above mentioned delinquent taxes the claim of the said R. C. Mitchell at *one-half* of the legal rates, viz: *two hundred forty-one and 30-100 dollars*, and the claim of E. H. and C. H. Foster at the rate authorized by their contract with the said county for that year.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 10, 1879.