

CHAPTER 127.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BECKER COUNTY TO ISSUE THE BONDS OF SAID COUNTY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING A COURT HOUSE AND COUNTY JAIL

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

SECTION 1. That the county commissioners of the county of Becker are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of the county of Becker, for the purpose of erecting a court house and county jail in said county, in a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), in such denominations as said commissioners may determine.

SEC. 2. Such bonds shall bear interest not to exceed eight (8) per cent. per annum, with coupons attached, for the annual payment of the same, and the principal payable in not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) years from the date thereof, as the board of county commissioners may determine.

SEC. 3. The proper authorities of said county shall annually include in the tax levy an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest to become due in the next year, to be known as the "coupon bond fund," and to be collected by the county treasurer as other taxes are, and when so collected, to be used for the payment of the interest and principal of said bonds, and for no other purposes whatever, until said bonds are fully paid, principal and interest.

SEC. 4. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners of said county, and countersigned by the auditor of said county, before the same shall become valid, and said auditor shall keep a record of all bonds so issued, showing the numbers, date and amount of said bonds, and the name of the person in whose favor said bond was issued.

SEC. 5. The said board of county commissioners shall not have authority to negotiate said bonds, nor any of them, for less than par value.

SEC. 6. Said bonds shall not be issued, as provided in section one (1) of this act, unless authorized by a majority vote of the qualified voters of said county, and for the purpose of taking the vote of said voters, the commissioners of said county shall give public notice of the time of such voting in some newspaper having a general circulation in said county, for at least ten (10) days previous to the next general election, and shall also post notices in at least ten (10) public places in said county, for at least ten (10) days prior to said election, setting forth substantially the amount of bonds proposed to be issued or disposed of, and the time of voting upon the question, and those voting in favor of said issue, shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed on the ballots used, the words, "for issue of bonds for erecting court house and county jail;" and those voting against such issue shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed on the ballots used, "against the issue of bonds for erecting court house and jail." Such voting shall be done at the usual places of holding elections in said county, and be conducted by the same

officers and in the same manner as other elections; and it shall be the duty of the town clerks of the several towns in said county, to make returns to the county auditor of said county of the vote cast in his town upon said proposition, within five (5) days after said election, and the vote shall be canvassed by the auditor as other election returns are canvassed.

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

Approved February 22, 1883.

CHAPTER 128.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ISSUING BONDS IN THE CITY OF ANOKA.

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

SECTION 1. The city council of the city of Anoka is hereby authorized to issue the bonds of the said city to the amount of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars and to appropriate the same for the purpose of securing a railroad right of way through the city of Anoka and through a part of the town of Anoka to the Mississippi river, and for securing depot grounds within the said city of Anoka, and to pledge the faith of said city for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be issued in denominations of not less than five hundred (500) dollars each, and shall be made payable, principal and interest, in the city of Saint Paul, Minnesota, the principal in not less than five (5) years nor more than fifteen years from the date of said bonds, with interest coupons attached, and shall draw interest at the rate of six (6) per cent. per annum, interest payable semi-annually on the second (2d) day of April and the second (2d) day of October of each year until paid, and said bonds shall bear date the second (2d) day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three (1883).

SEC. 3. The city council of said city shall, from time to time, provide, by the levying of taxes for the payment of said bonds and interest as they shall mature and the interest become payable.

SEC. 4. No bonds shall be issued by the city council of said city under the provisions of this act until the issue thereof shall have been approved by a majority of the qualified electors of said city at said election who shall vote upon the proposition as provided for in this act.

SEC. 5. Whenever there shall be presented to the Mayor of said city, a petition signed by at least ten (10) of the legal voters of said