

CHAPTER 57.

[H. F. No. 398.]

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE INCORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD," BEING CHAPTER SEVENTEEN (17) OF THE SPECIAL LAWS OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE, (1875.)

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

SECTION 1. That the northwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of section nine (9) in township one hundred and eleven (111) north of the base line, and in range nineteen (19) west; the southwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of section four (4), in township one hundred and eleven (111) north of the base line, and in range nineteen (19) west; the northwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of section four (4), in township one hundred and eleven (111) north of the base line, and in range nineteen (19) west; the south half ($\frac{1}{2}$) and the northwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of section thirty-three (33) in township one hundred and twelve (112) north of the base line, and in range nineteen (19) west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, being in Rice county, Minnesota, be detached from the territory embraced within the corporate limits within the limits of the said city of Northfield.

SEC. 2. That said above described portions of the above described sections of land, be included in and form a part of the township of Northfield in said county.

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

Approved Feb. 25th, 1887.

CHAPTER 58.

[H. F. No. 491.]

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF RICE, MINNESOTA.

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

SECTION 1. That the several wards in the city of Northfield shall constitute separate elective districts, and elections shall be held at such places in the different wards as the common council may designate, and the polls shall be kept open from nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon until five (5) o'clock in the afternoon.

Ten (10) days previous notice shall be given, under the direction of the common council, of the time and place of holding elections, by

posting notices thereof in three public places in each ward, and publishing the same in the official newspaper of the city; and the annual election shall be held on the second Tuesday of March.

SEC. 2. The elections shall be conducted by the aldermen of the wards respectively, who shall be judges of election, and shall take the oath or affirmation prescribed by the general laws of the state to be taken by judges of election, and shall have power to appoint clerks of election, and to administer the necessary oaths.

Provided, That no candidate for office shall act as judge or clerk at such election.

SEC. 3. When a city election shall be closed, and the number of votes for each person voted for shall have been counted and ascertained, the judges shall make return thereof to the city recorder within three (3) days, stating the number of votes for each person for each and every office, and the common council shall meet and canvass the returns, and declare the result as it appears from the same, within three (2) days thereafter.

SEC. 4. At the annual election of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (1887) there shall be two (2) aldermen elected in each ward by the legal voters thereof, one (1) to serve for two (2) years and one (1) to serve for three (3) years; and thereafter one (1) alderman shall be annually elected in each ward by the legal voters thereof, whose term of office shall be three years.

Aldermen shall be residents and qualified voters in their respective wards.

SEC. 5. The provisions of the charter of said city which authorize and require elections to be held at some central place in the city, and all provisions of law heretofore existing relating to the number of aldermen of the city and their terms of office, are hereby repealed; but this act shall not affect the official term of any of the present aldermen.

SEC. 6. Hereafter all original sidewalks ordered by the council, shall be built by the city, and the expense of building the same assessed upon the adjoining premises in the manner provided by chapter seven (7) of the city charter, and the city shall keep all sidewalks in repair, and do any necessary rebuilding of the same; and the council may levy all taxes required to defray the expense of such repairing and rebuilding.

SEC. 7. Section three (3) of chapter four (4) of the said charter is hereby amended so as so read as follows:

Section 3. The common council shall have power to borrow money and issue the bonds of the city therefor, to the amount of one thousand (1,000) dollars, and such further amount as may be authorized by two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the legal voters of the city voting upon the question, the votes to be polled and returns thereof made and canvassed in conformity with the provisions of the charter respecting city elections, and upon due notice given under the direction of the common council.

All bonds shall be made redeemable within twenty (20) years from their date, and bear interest at no greater rate than seven (7) per cent.

per annum, and taxes may be levied by the council sufficient to pay the interest accruing thereon, and to pay the principal as the bonds mature; and exclusive of the amount so authorized by the voters, the bonded debt shall at no time exceed one thousand (1,000) dollars.

SEC. 8. Section four (4) of chapter three (3) of said charter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. All ordinances, motions and resolutions shall be passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the common council present, by ayes and noes; and all ordinances shall be signed by the mayor, and published twice in the official newspaper of the city, and shall take effect and be in force from and after the expiration of two (2) weeks from the first (1st) publication, and with the affidavit of publication of the foreman or publisher of said newspaper, shall be recorded by the city recorder in a book provided for that purpose.

No money shall be appropriated unless a majority of the members of the common council present vote for the same by ayes and noes, and the vote shall be entered upon the minutes of the meeting.

SEC. 9. Section seven (7) of chapter three (3) of the said charter is hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 12, 1887.

CHAPTER 59.

[H. F. No. 767.]

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE INCORPORATION OF THE CITY OF FARIBAULT," APPROVED FEBRUARY TWENTY-NINTH (29th), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO (1872).

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

SECTION 1. That section seven (7) of chapter one (1) of an act entitled "an act to authorize the incorporation of the city of Faribault," approved February twentieth-ninth (29th), one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two (1872), be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7. Every person appointed to any office by the common council, or elected to any office by the people, may be removed from said office by a vote of two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of all the aldermen authorized to be elected; *Provided*, That the street commissioner and the chief engineer and assistant engineers of the fire department of said city may be removed from office by a vote of a majority of all the members of the