

CHAPTER 363.

[H. F. No. 1295.]

AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE VILLAGES OF JACKSON AND LAKEFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF JACKSON, MINNESOTA, FROM THE TOWNSHIPS IN WHICH THEY ARE SITUATED.

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

SECTION 1. The villages of Jackson and Lakefield in the county of Jackson, Minnesota, are hereby declared to be respectively separate election districts for all purposes and to be separate and distinct in all respects and for all purposes from the townships in which they are respectively situated; and each of said villages are hereby authorized to fix by ordinance the place of holding general elections therein, and shall at least thirty (30) days prior to any general election, appoint three (3) qualified voters of the village who shall be judges of election therein, and the judges so selected shall appoint two qualified electors of such district to act as clerks of election therein.

SEC. 2. Each of said villages shall elect an assessor at the next election for village officers who shall qualify and possess the powers of village assessor and make assessment as provided by section eighteen (18), chapter one hundred and forty-five (145), of the general laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five (1885).

SEC. 3. In case of any existing indebtedness against the town in which either of said villages is situated, evidenced by any form of obligation it shall be the duty of the county auditor of said county to apportion for the purpose of taxation the respective liability of such town and village which shall be apportioned in proportion to the existing valuation of real estate in such town and village respectively, as appears by the last assessment and thereafter as such obligations mature. It shall be the duty of the auditor to extend a tax for the purpose of meeting such obligation, against the property of such town and village respectively, upon a basis of such apportionments; *provided*, that the division of property of the town in which either of said villages is situated shall be divided on the basis of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of the whole township at the time of such separation, and the village and the town respectively shall share of the property and moneys of such town as the assessed valuation of real estate within such village and town respectively bears to the aggregate valuation of the real estate of the whole township at the time of such separation, the last assessments to be taken as the basis for such division.

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

Approved April 22, 1889.