

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE FIRE DISTRICT NUMBER ONE OF THE TOWN OF ATTLEBOROUGH TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY AND FRANCHISE OF THE ATTLEBOROUGH WATER DISTRICT IN SAID ATTLEBOROUGH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Chap. 96

Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

SECTION 1. The fire district number one of the town of Attleborough is hereby authorized to purchase and hold the franchise and corporate property and all the rights and privileges on condition of assuming all the debts, obligations and liabilities of the Attleborough water supply district of said Attleborough, at a price which may be mutually agreed upon between said districts ; and the said water supply district may sell and convey the same to said fire district. In case said districts are unable to agree, then the compensation to be paid shall be determined by three commissioners to be appointed by the supreme judicial court, upon application of either party and notice to the other, whose award when accepted by said court shall be binding upon all parties. This authority to purchase and convey said franchise and property is granted on the condition that the same is assented to by said districts, by a two-thirds vote of each district of the voters present and voting thereon at a meeting duly called for that purpose within two years from the passage of this act.

Fire District Number One may purchase franchise and property of the Attleborough Water District.

Subject to assent by a two-thirds vote of each district.

SECTION 2. Said fire district upon having purchased said property and franchise and assumed all the debts, obligations and liabilities of said water supply district, shall be and continue a body corporate in addition to its present powers, with all the powers, rights and privileges and subject to all the duties, obligations and liabilities of said water supply district in the manner provided in chapter two hundred and seventy-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three, chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four and chapter ninety-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, unless otherwise provided or inconsistent herewith, and subject also to any general laws, which have been or may hereafter be enacted, applicable to such corporations.

Fire district to continue body corporate with all powers and duties of water supply district.

SECTION 3. Said fire district at a meeting duly called for that purpose shall choose by ballot a board of water commissioners, which shall have in charge the construction and maintenance of the works of the water supply depart-

Fire district to choose water commissioners.

Registrar and
sinking fund
Commissioners.

Officers to make
annual reports.

Vacancies.

Attleborough
Fire District
Number One
Bonds, not to
exceed \$50,000.

May supply
water through-
out the town.

ment and shall expend, for the purposes prescribed by the district, the money so raised for the water department. Said board of water commissioners shall consist of three members, one of whom shall be elected for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter at each annual meeting, one water commissioner for three years. A registrar and, as their terms of office expire, sinking fund commissioners, shall be elected, in the manner now provided in said acts, at a meeting of said fire district duly called for that purpose. The treasurer shall receive all sums of money belonging to the district and shall pay over and account for the same, according to its order, to the order of the water commissioners, or to the order of the prudential committee of said fire district. The water commissioners and all other officers, in the manner now provided by said acts, shall annually make a full report in writing of their doings and expenditures. Any vacancy in either of these offices may be filled at a regular meeting of the voters of said district called for that purpose.

SECTION 4. Said fire district may issue bonds, signed by the treasurer of said district and countersigned by the water commissioners, to be denominated "Attleborough Fire District Number One Bonds," to an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, bearing interest payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, in addition to the bonds already issued by said water supply district, the principal payable at periods of not more than thirty years from the date of issue. Said district may sell said bonds at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper; and may annually raise money by taxation in the manner and for the purposes now provided by said acts.

SECTION 5. Said fire district may sell, convey and supply water to corporations and persons outside the limits of the district and within the limits of the town.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 21, 1884.

Chap. 97 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRANITE SAVINGS BANK IN THE TOWN OF ROCKPORT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Granite Savings
Bank in Rock-
port incorpo-
rated.

SECTION 1. William E. Winsor, John L. Woodfull, John W. Marshall, George Elwell, George M. McClean, Nathaniel Richardson, Jr., Francis Tarr, Frank Scripture,