

CHAPTER 82.

[Published March 4, 1876.]

AN ACT amendatory of chapter seventy-two (72), of the private and local laws of 1858, relating to the city of Ripon.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Amended.

SECTION 1. Section one, of chapter seventy-two (72), of the private and local laws of 1858, entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Ripon," is hereby amended by striking out the word "marshal," where it occurs in said section, so that said section will read as follows: Section 1. The elective officers of said city shall be a mayor, a clerk, a treasurer, a superintendent of schools, and an assessor for the city at large, and two (2) aldermen, one (1) justice of the peace, and one (1) constable for each ward. Each of the aforesaid officers shall continue in office for the term of one (1) year, and until his successor is elected and qualified, except the justices of the peace, who shall continue in office for the term of two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified, the official year commencing on the first Tuesday in April. They shall have such powers and perform such duties as are prescribed in this act, or as may be prescribed in any ordinance of said city, not inconsistent with said act, or which may not be incompatible with the nature of their respective offices.

Elective officers.

Elections.

SECTION 2. Section two (2) of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the word "marshal," so that said section will read as follows: Section 2. On the last Tuesday in March next, and annually thereafter, the qualified voters of said city shall elect a mayor, a clerk, a treasurer, a superintendent of schools, and an assessor, by general ticket, which said officers shall be qualified voters and residents of said city; and on the same day, at the same place of holding said election, in the several wards the said qualified electors shall also elect two aldermen, one justice of the peace, and one constable for each ward. The aldermen, justices, and constables shall be residents of the wards for which they are elected, and one of the aldermen of each ward, who shall represent said ward in the board of supervisors of the county of Fond du Lac, shall be designated on the ballot as alf

derman and supervisor. The present board of supervisors of the town of Ripon shall designate the place of holding the first election in each ward, by notice over their own names, to be posted for at least two weeks previous to such election in three conspicuous places in said ward; and at such election the voters present shall have power to proceed by nomination and viva voce election of three inspectors and two clerks, whose duties shall be (after being sworn by any officer competent to administer an oath, by the laws of this state), to see that said election shall be conducted in accordance with the existing laws of the State of Wisconsin, and any fraud or violation of said laws at said election, shall be punishable as any violation of the election laws in any part of said state, and at every subsequent last Tuesday in March, election shall be held in the several wards for the officers above designated, and said election shall be presided over by the aldermen and justices in the respective wards, or in case of absence or disability the voters present at the hour of opening the polls, shall elect viva voce a sufficient number of inspectors to make three, with [in] accordance with the laws of the state. They shall appoint and swear two clerks, and shall see the names of the voters registered and the ballots safely deposited in the ballot box, shall decide all questions that may arise as to the legality of the votes presented, shall count the ballots at the close of the polls and shall certify and seal two returns, and the day following the election shall direct and return one of the said returns to the clerk of the common council, the other to the clerk of the circuit court of the county of Fond du Lac. The mayor of the city and members of the common council shall constitute a board of canvassers, who shall, within three days after election, meet at the common council chamber, and canvass such returns, and after the aforesaid returns have been canvassed by said board, the mayor shall notify by certificate, the persons elected to the respective offices. The return of the first election shall be made to the present board of supervisors of the town of Ripon, and they or any two of them shall canvass said votes and shall certify to and notify the officers elected. The polls shall be kept open in the respective wards from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

SECTION 3. The common council of the city of Ripon City marshal. are hereby empowered and authorized to appoint a

city marshal, who shall hold his office during the pleasure of the said council, not exceeding the time for which said council shall have been elected.

Amended.

SECTION 4. Section three (3), of chapter one (1), of chapter seventy-two (72), laws of 1858, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the words: "The common council shall have power to change, alter and define, or make new wards, in said city, as it shall from time to time deem expedient."

Vacancies.

SECTION 5. Any vacancy occurring in the office of any city officer elected by the people or appointed by the common council, shall be filled by the common council.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved February 29, 1876.

CHAPTER 83.

[Published March 3, 1876.]

AN ACT to appropriate to the state board of centennial managers a sum of money therein named.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Appropriation.

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the use of the state board of centennial managers, out of any money in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, to be drawn from the state treasury on the proper draft or voucher of said state board of centennial managers, as the same may be from time to time needed for the purpose of arranging for and making a proper exhibition of the products, resources, and advantages of the state at the centennial exposition at Philadelphia, from May 10th to November 10th, 1876. The state treasurer of the State of Wisconsin is hereby made *ex-officio* a member of said state board of centennial managers and the treasurer thereof, and in no event shall the state be liable for expenditures incurred in behalf of said exhibition to a greater amount than has been and is here appropriated; *provided*, that no purchase shall be made for the said exposition on behalf of the state, by the said board of centennial managers with-

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