

and empowered to provide the necessary books and direct and employ the register of deeds to perform the work of indexing and re-indexing such records as hereinbefore provided for, at the expense of the county, so far as the same should be done by the county, at a price therefor not exceeding the figures above given; *provided*, that any such county board may enter into a contract with the register of deeds for the doing of such work, at such price or compensation, not exceeding the sum above mentioned, as may be agreed upon.

procure books and let work by contract.

SECTION 5. The index provided for in this act shall be open to the free inspection of all persons during reasonable business hours.

Index to be open for inspection.

SECTION 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Repealed.

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

Approved March 16, 1878.

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CHAPTER 238.

AN ACT to authorize the town of Amherst, in Portage county, to appropriate certain moneys to build a town hall.

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

SECTION 1. All moneys paid to the town of Amherst on account of any or all licenses whatsoever, granted or issued by the board of supervisors of said town, including licenses for the sale of malt, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, shall be set apart and held as a special fund for the purpose of buying suitable grounds and the building thereon a town hall, for the use and benefit of said town, in the village of Amherst of said town.

License fees set apart for purpose of building a town hall.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the supervisors of said town, as soon as said fund shall amount to one thousand dollars (\$1,000), to buy suitable grounds, and prepare, or cause to be prepared, plans and specifications for said hall to be erected thereon, and advertise for bids on the same, by posting in not less than ten public places in the county, or by inserting the same in one of the county papers, giving time and place of opening bids, at least six consecutive weeks prior to the open-

Duties of supervisors.

ing the same. And it shall be the duty of the supervisors to open any and all bids received by them in due form, and to award the same to the lowest responsible bidder. They, the said supervisors, reserve the power to reject any and all bids, and, if no bid is accepted, to immediately proceed as hereinbefore stated. The said supervisors shall cause a bond in the penal sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be executed by the person or persons whose bid is accepted, running to the town of Amherst, for the faithful performance of said contract, with not less than two good sureties.

Restriction.

SECTION 3. After said sum shall amount to one thousand dollars (\$1,000), all moneys hereafter collected shall apply the same as if this bill had not been passed.

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

Approved March 10, 1878.

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CHAPTER 239.

AN ACT to authorize William Miller, his associates, heirs and assigns to erect and maintain a dam across Mondeau creek in Taylor county.

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

Construction of dam authorized

SECTION 1. William Miller, his associates, heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized to maintain a dam across Mondeau creek, in Taylor county, on section three (3), in township thirty-three (33) north, of range one (1) west, at the foot of the rapids in said stream, which said dam shall be of a height not exceeding (11) eleven feet.

Powers and duties.

SECTION 2. The said William Miller, his associates, heirs and assigns, shall build suitable slides and gates in said dam for flooding purposes, and for the purpose of sluicing and driving logs and timber over, through and beyond said dam and out of said creek, and shall keep the same in repair, and shall hold the water back for the above named purposes whenever the case may require, and for that purpose said gates shall be closed.