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CHAPTER 82

AN ACT to amend 67.04 (2) (e), 67.05 (5) (b), 144.07 (4) (c) and (e) of the statutes, relating to financing garbage and refuse disposal plants.

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

SECTION 1. 67.04 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

67.04 (2) (e) For the construction and extension of waterworks plants, or the purchase of existing plants; construction and improvement of water mains, sewers and drains; construction and improvement of flushing tunnels, with buildings, equipment and machinery for operating the same; to provide the protection, planning, construction and establishment of a sewage disposal plant or system; or for the erection and construction or enlargement of garbage disposal plants or refuse or rubbish disposal plants or any combination of plants provided under this section and to purchase sites for the same.

SECTION 2. 67.05 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

67.05 (5) (b) No city or village shall issue any bonds for any purposes other than for replacing sums expended for emergency relief purposes during the years 1929 to 1936, inclusive, waterworks, lighting works, gas works, bridges, street improvements, street improvement funding, hospitals, airports, harbor improvements, river improvements, breakwaters and protection piers, sewerage, garbage disposal, rubbish or refuse disposal, any combination of sewage, garbage or refuse or rubbish disposal, parks and public grounds, veterans' housing projects, street railway property, or paying the municipality's portion of the cost of abolishing grade crossings, for the purchase of sites for engine houses, for fire engines and other equipment of the fire department, for construction of engine houses, and for pumps, water mains, reservoirs and all other reasonable facilities for fire protection apparatus or equipment for fire protection, school purposes or vocational school purposes, for buildings for the housing of machinery and equipment, or for refunding any of the bonds issued for any of the aforesaid purposes, or for bonds issued to refund securities originally issued pursuant to s. 66.066, until the proposition for their issue for the special purpose thereof shall have been submitted to the electors of such city or village and adopted by a majority voting thereon. Whenever the common council of any city or the village board of any village shall declare its purpose to raise money by issuing bonds for any purpose other than those above specified, it shall direct by resolution, which shall be recorded at length in the record of its proceedings, the clerk to call a special election for the purpose of submitting the question of bonding the city or village to the electors thereof. Such elections shall be noticed, conducted, canvassed and the result declared as provided in this subsection, except that the notice of such special election and the ballot used thereat need not embody a copy of the resolution, but shall contain a statement of the purpose and the amount of the bonds proposed to be issued.

SECTION 3. 144.07 (4) (c) and (e) of the statutes are amended to read:

144.07 (4) (c) The commissioners shall project, plan, construct and maintain in the district comprising the 2 municipalities intercepting and other main sewers for the collection and transmission of house, industrial and other sewage to a site or sites for disposal selected by them, such sewers to be sufficient, in the judgment of the commissioners, to care for such sewage of the territory included in such district. The commissioners shall project, plan, construct and operate sewage disposal works at a site or sites selected by them which may be located within or outside of the territory included in the district. The commissioners may also project, plan, construct and maintain intercepting and other main sewers for the collection and disposal of storm water which shall be separate from the sanitary sewerage system. The commissioners may employ and fix compensation for engineers, assistants, clerks, employes and laborers, or do such other things as may be necessary for the due and proper execution of their duties. Such sewage disposal works may be used by the commissioners and by such municipalities for the disposal of garbage, refuse and rubbish.

(e) Each such municipality shall pay for its proportionate share of such sewerage system, including additions thereto, and also its proportionate share of all operation and maintenance costs as may be determined by the commission. Each municipality may borrow money and issue municipal obligations therefor, for the construction, erection, enlargement and extension of a joint sewage disposal plant or refuse or rubbish disposal plant or system or any combination of plants provided under this section, and to purchase a site or sites for the same. Each municipality may, if it so desires, proceed under s. 66.076 in financing its portion of the cost of the construction, operation, and maintenance of the joint sewage disposal plant or plants provided for in this section, or system.

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