

the board of education; and all moneys received by or raised in the city of Portage, for school purposes, shall be disbursed on the said orders of the president and clerk of the board of education, and in no other manner. The city treasurer and his sureties shall be liable for all school funds that come to his hands, and for payment not authorized by this act. CHAPTER 246.  
Treasurer and sureties liable.

§ 4. The thirteenth section of the act aforesaid, is amended by striking out the words "meetings in the months of January and July," where they occur between the words "first" and "of," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "meeting in August." To meet in August.

§ 5. The common council of the city of Portage, on the application of the board of education, may borrow money for the erection and completion of school houses in said city, not exceeding in amount the sum of five thousand dollars, and may issue the bonds of said city for the payment of the same, bearing an interest not exceeding ten per cent. per annum, payable annually or semi-annually, and becoming due in not less than two nor more than ten years, as the common council may by ordinance prescribe. In case said bonds are issued, the common council of said city shall annually levy and collect a tax, in money, on the taxable property of said city, as other taxes are levied and collected, sufficient to pay the interest and principal of said bonds as the same may become due; and the money thus raised, shall be applied to the purpose for which it was raised, and no other. Money to build school houses may be borrowed.  
Tax to be levied to pay bonds.

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

Approved March 27, 1860.

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## CHAPTER 246.

AN ACT to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the City of Racine, in the county of Racine," approved August 8th, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

*The People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. The act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Racine, in the county of Racine," approved

CHAPTER 246. August 8th, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof, are hereby amended in the following particulars, to-wit :

**Members of City Council reduced to one from each ward.** I. The city council shall hereafter consist of but one alderman from each ward who shall be elected in the ward where he resides by the electors thereof at the annual election for city officers. Aldermen shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified. Immediately after the passage of this act the aldermen of each ward shall choose by lot, under the direction of the city council, one of their number to be the alderman of said ward in the city council, who shall hold his office until the next annual election for city officers and until his successor is chosen and qualified, and upon making such choice, those not chosen shall cease to be aldermen of said city ; after such choice is made four members of the city council shall be required to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

**Quorum.** II. No city superintendent of schools, city comptroller, or city attorney, shall be hereafter elected in said city, but the president of the board of education shall be *ex officio* superintendent of schools. The city clerk shall be, *ex officio* comptroller, and the city council may employ such attorney or attorneys, as it may, from time to time, deem proper.

**Offices abolished.** III. There shall be elected at each annual city election a chief engineer of the fire department, whose salary shall be fifty dollars per annum, and who shall hold his office for one year and until his successor is elected and qualified.

**Chief Engineer.** IV. The mayor, acting mayor, alderman, school commissioners and marshal, shall receive no salaries for their services. The salaries of the other elective city officers shall be fixed by the city council, but shall not exceed the following sums per annum, respectively : President of the board of education, and *ex officio* superintendent of schools, one hundred and fifty dollars ; city clerk, and *ex officio* comptroller, five hundred dollars ; city treasurer, two hundred dollars ; assessors, each, fifty dollars ; but either of said officers may take such fees, for specific official services, as are allowed by law.

**Salaries.** V. The city council of said city shall have power to levy an annual tax upon the taxable property in said city, to the following amounts and for the following purposes, and for none other, to-wit :

**Tax for certain purposes.**

1st. An amount sufficient to pay the salaries of the city officers allowed by law, except that of chief engineer of the fire department. CHAPTER 246.  
Salaries.

2d. Seven thousand dollars for school purposes; *Provided, however,* that in addition thereto, all moneys paid into the city treasury for licenses and penalties, which, by law, belong to said city, shall be appropriated for school purposes. School purposes.

3d. A sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for repairs of the harbor piers, east of the lines of individual property. Repairs of harbor piers.

4th. A sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the repairs of bridges in said city. Bridges.

5th. A sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the support of the fire department, out of which shall be paid the salaries of the chief engineer and of the first and second assistant engineers of the fire department. The salary of each of said assistants shall be twenty-five dollars per annum. Fire department.

6th. A sum not exceeding two thousand dollars to be set apart for a contingent fund, and Contingent fund.

7th. An amount sufficient to pay the interest for the current year on such city indebtedness as, by law, draws interest. Interest.

VI. In no case shall the city be liable for any appropriation, or upon any scrip issued upon any such appropriation, exceeding the above sums. City not liable.

VII. No persons shall be eligible to more than one elective city or ward office in said city at the same time. Eligibility to office.

VIII. No member of the city council or board of education shall be a party to or interested in any contract with, or in any work done for the city; and any contract in which any such member may be so interested, shall be null and void, and of no force against said city. Contracts with city.

§ 2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 30, 1860.