

able against each lot or parcel of land for all work done and unpaid for under the provisions of this section, and such amount shall be a lien on such lot or parcel of land, and with other or like special taxes, authorized by this act shall be levied thereon by the common council, at the next succeeding annual levy of taxes, in said city, as a special tax with all the legal consequences both as to collection of taxes and sale of such lot or parcel of land for unpaid taxes, prescribed in this act, or the general laws of this state for special taxes; the cleaning, graveling and repairing of streets, avenues, lanes, alleys, highways and public grounds shall be done under the superintendency of the street commissioner at the expense of the city, and the common council may provide for letting all such work by the month or year by contract.

SECTION 4. All acts and parts of acts conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 16.

AN ACT to amend chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, entitled, "An act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of La Crosse, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of sub chapter 2 of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended by striking out the words "city attorney" in the second line of said section 2, also by inserting the words "and commissioners of public works" after the word "aldermen" in the sixteenth line of said section 2, also by

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

striking out the words "the treasurer now in office shall continue to hold said office until the first Monday of July, 1897," in the 27th, 28th and 29th lines of said section 2, also by inserting after the word years in the 32d line of said section 2, the following: "The three commissioners of public works at the charter election for the year 1891, shall be elected as follows: Two for the term of two years and one for the term of four years; at the charter election for the year 1893, two shall be elected for the term of four years, and at the charter election for the year 1895 one shall be elected for the term of four years, and so on alternately, first two elected and then one, and the term of office in each case after said first election shall be four years," so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 2. The elective officers of said city shall be a mayor, city clerk, treasurer, comptroller for the city at large, three commissioners of public works for the city at large, justice of the peace for the city at large (who shall be *ex officio* police justice), tax commissioner, and one alderman, one justice of the peace, one supervisor, and one constable for each ward. All city officers must be residents of the city, and ward officers, supervisors and aldermen, must be residents of the ward for which they are elected. The mayor, clerk, treasurer, tax commissioner, comptroller and aldermen, must be free-holders within the city limits when elected and during their several terms. All city and ward officers, except aldermen and commissioners of public works to be elected by the people under this act, shall hold their respective offices for terms of two years. All supervisors shall hold their offices as members of the county board for two years, any other law of this state to the contrary notwithstanding. The term of every officer elected by the people under this act (except the treasurer) shall commence on the third Tuesday of April of the year in which he shall be elected, except in cases of election to fill vacancy; the term of office of the treasurer shall begin on the first Monday of July following his election. Aldermen, except as otherwise herein provided for aldermen to be elected at the charter election of 1891, shall hold office for the term of

City officers,
qualification,
terms of office.

four years. The three commissioners of public works at the charter election for the year 1891 shall be elected as follows: Two for the term of two years and one for the term of four years; at the charter election for the year 1893, two shall be elected for the term of four years, and at the charter election for the year 1895 one shall be elected for the term of four years and so on alternately, first two elected, then one, and the term of office in each case after said first election shall be four years. Should there be a failure of the people to elect any officer herein required to be elected on the day designated, the common council may order a new election to be held, ten days' notice of the time and place of holding such election being first given. The mayor and aldermen of the city of La Crosse shall be denominated the common council. All other officers necessary for the proper management of the affairs of said city shall be appointed by the common council or by the mayor, where such power is given to him by this act, or in such manner as the common council may direct, except when otherwise provided in this act.

Commissioners of public works, election of, and terms of office.

SECTION 2. Section 4 of sub-chapter 2 of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887 is hereby amended by striking out the words "city attorney" where they occur in the fourth line of said section, and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "city clerk."

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887; vacancies.

SECTION 3. Section 5 of sub-chapter 3 of chapter 162 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887 is hereby amended by striking out the words "at least ten days before the annual election" where they occur in the seventh and eighth lines of said section 5, and insert in lieu thereof the words "on the 30th day of June in each year," and by adding to the end of said section 5 the following sections, to wit:

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887; duties of treasurer.

Section 5a. The city treasurer shall render weekly statements to the comptroller of the amounts received and disbursed by him; and the balance over five thousand dollars on hand in the treasury at the end of each week shall be deposited with the bank or banks or banking associations selected by the common council as provided in section 4 of this act, amendatory of chapter 162,

Additional duties of treasurer.

Deposit of funds.

laws of 1887, it or they giving proper vouchers therefor. From the time of depositing such funds, the said treasurer shall be relieved from all liability to the city of La Crosse, arising from the failure of the bank or bankers or banking associations safely to keep said funds. Such funds shall be drawn out only upon the check of the said treasurer, countersigned by the comptroller of the city.

Same.

Section 5b. The treasurer and comptroller may, whenever the balance in the treasury does not amount to five thousand dollars, increase it by their check, as aforesaid, in favor of the treasurer. The true object of this being to enable the treasurer to have funds under his control with which to pay such demands upon the treasury as he is or shall be required by law to pay.

Funds not to be misapplied.

Section 5c. Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to authorize the treasurer to apply funds so retained by him, or so to be drawn from the bank on his check, countersigned by the comptroller, to purposes other than those to which the same funds are appropriated by law. The common council may at any time, when, in their opinion, the safety or interests of the city require it, direct all sums so deposited to be paid into the treasury of the city, or to such bank or banks or banking associations as they may select under the law. The foregoing section 3 of this act shall not be applicable during the term for which the present city treasurer of La Crosse has been elected.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

SECTION 4. Sub-chapter 4 of chapter 162 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended by adding to the end of said sub-chapter 4, a new section, known as section 8, which shall read as follows: Section 8. As often as the common council shall think best for the safety of the city, they shall select some bank or banks or banking associations, with which all funds in the treasury of the city, in excess of five thousand dollars, or which shall thereafter be collected or received by the treasurer, shall be deposited; provided, however, that such bank, banks or banking associations so selected shall, before receiving such funds, give security in the same manner as is now required of the treasurer of said city, for the safe keeping and proper distrib-

Council may select depository for public funds.

uting of such funds, which security shall be approved by the common council, and the common council may, before or after selecting a depository or depositories, contract with such bank or banks or banking associations, that it or they shall pay to the city such interest upon said funds, so to be deposited, as they may mutually agree upon.

SECTION 5. Section 1, of sub-chapter 5, of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, as amended by section 25 of chapter 492, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1. There is hereby established for the city of La Crosse, an executive department to be known as the board of public works, which shall consist of three persons, styled Commissioners of Public Works. The members of said board shall be elected by the people. No two members of said board shall be residents of the same ward. All the members of said board shall be citizens and residents within said city and freeholders within the city limits. The term of office of the commissioners shall be four years, except as provided in section 1, of this act, and shall commence on the third Tuesday of April. As often as a vacancy shall occur in said board, whether by death, resignation or otherwise, a person shall be elected in the manner heretofore provided, to succeed the person whose office shall so become vacant, for the remainder of his term. The commissioners shall elect annually from their own number a president and also from their own number a secretary, who is hereby authorized to administer all oaths required by this act. The city engineer and the commissioners of said board may be removed for incompetency by the mayor with the approval of two-third of all the members elect of the common council.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887, as amended.

Commissioners of public works: election, qualification and term of office.

SECTION 6. Section 17 of sub-chapter 5 of chapter 162 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 17. Whenever the board of public works shall deem it for the interest of the city to procure any supplies or materials or cause any work to be done without the intervention of a formal contract, they shall report the same to the common council, giving their reasons there-

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

When board of public works may procure supplies or order work done without intervention of a contract.

for, which report may be made and action taken thereon before advertising for proposals for furnishing or doing the same, and the common council may, by resolution, authorize the said board to procure the necessary supplies or materials or employ workmen to do such work; in which case no advertisement for proposals shall be necessary, provided that such authority shall not be given unless approved by the votes of at least three-fourths of all the members-elect of the common council; and further provided that such authority shall not be exercised unless the comptroller shall as provided in section 18 of this chapter, advise the board that there are sufficient funds available for the proposed supplies, materials or work.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Police department.

Special policemen.

SECTION 7. Section 1, of subchapter 11, of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1. The police department of the city of La Crosse shall consist of one chief of police, one captain, one sergeant, one desk sergeant, detectives not to exceed three in number, and patrolmen in such numbers as the common council may from time to time determine, not exceeding, however, one for every two thousand inhabitants. It shall be lawful for the chief of police, with the consent of the mayor, to appoint, when emergency requires, such necessary special policemen as the protection of the public or property may demand, and reasonable sums for the service of such special policemen shall be paid by the city of La Crosse. But such special policemen shall in no case be employed upon the regular police force; nor shall their term of service extend beyond the existence of the emergency which required their appointment. It shall further be lawful for the chief of police, with the consent of the mayor, to appoint any number of special policemen, who shall be employed and paid by private individuals or business corporations, with powers not to exceed the powers of patrolmen, and with the privilege of wearing badges and uniforms; but the special policemen last mentioned shall in no case be paid out of the city treasury. The common council shall have power to provide for the use of patrol wagons and the employment of drivers for the same, in such numbers as the common coun-

cil shall provide, such drivers to be under the control of the chief of police, and to be appointed by him, and to possess powers not exceeding the powers of patrolmen.

SECTION 8. Section 2, of sub-chapter 11, of chapter 162 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 2. The chief of police shall be

appointed by the mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the common council, at the regular meeting of the common council held in October of the year 1891, and biennially thereafter, and shall hold his office for the term of two years from the date of his appointment; and until his successor shall be in the same manner appointed. Detectives, captain, sergeant, desk sergeant and patrolmen shall be appointed by the chief of police and shall hold their offices during his pleasure; provided, that no detective shall be appointed without the advice and consent of the mayor. The chief of police of said city shall hold his office until his successor shall be appointed and qualified, unless removed for cause.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Appointment of police officers.

SECTION 9. Section 4, of sub-chapter 12, of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 4. At the first meeting for organization

of the new council, on the third Tuesday in April in the year 1891, and biennially thereafter, the common council shall appoint one chief engineer and three assistant engineers of the fire department of said city, and the engineers so appointed shall hold office for the term of two years, unless removed for cause, and shall perform such duties and receive such salaries as the common council may prescribe.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Engineers, how appointed.

SECTION 10. Section 5, of sub-chapter 12, of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 5. At the first meeting for organization

of the new council on the third Tuesday in April of the year 1891, and biennially thereafter, the common council shall elect one fire marshal, who shall hold his office for two years unless removed for cause, and perform such duties and receive such salary as the common council may prescribe. He may at any time enter into an open house, store or other building or enclosure for the

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Fire marshal.

purpose of inspecting the same and with a view to guard against fire; provided, that the common council may, in its discretion, omit the election of such officer and require such duties to be performed by a subordinate of the board of public works, who shall be subject to the control of such board and shall have and exercise all the powers herein mentioned.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Levy of tax.

SECTION 11. Section 9, of sub-chapter 13 of chapter 162 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "itself" in the eighteenth line of said section, the following clause, to wit: Provided that the common council may, by the votes of two-thirds of all the members-elect, levy a tax for such purposes for a greater or less amount than the estimate proposed by the board of education.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Macadamizing and paving of streets and alleys.

SECTION 12. Sub chapter 7 of chapter 162 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 of said sub-chapter 7, a new section to be known as section 4a, which shall read as follows: Section 4a. The common council may at any time by resolution, order any street or alley of the city of La Crosse to be macadamized or paved with any desired material, and cause the same to be done by general contract as provided in section 9 of sub chapter 5 of said chapter 162, and in such case the adjoining property owners shall not be permitted to do the work adjacent to their property, but the expense of macadamizing or otherwise paving such street or alley to the center thereof, shall be chargeable to and payable by the lots or pieces of land fronting or abutting upon such street or alley; and certificates shall issue against the same and be made a lien thereon as provided in section 5 of said sub chapter 7.

Appointment and terms of office of city attorney, city physician and superintendent of poor; duties.

SECTION 13. The common council of the city of La Crosse at the first meeting for organization of the new council on the third Tuesday in April in the year 1892, or as soon thereafter as may be, and biennially thereafter, shall appoint a city attorney, city physician, and superintendent of poor, whose term of office shall be two years and until their successors, respectively, are appointed and have qualified. In addition to the duties now prescribed by law, each of said officers shall perform such

further duties as the common council may require and each shall receive such salary, payable quarterly, as the common council shall provide.

SECTION 14. Sub-section 3 of section 3 of sub-chapter 4, of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 3. To prevent any riot, noise, disturbance, and disorderly assemblages, and to restrain disorderly houses and houses of ill-fame, and to punish by fine or imprisonment or both, the keepers and the inmates of such houses, and to authorize the destruction of all instruments used in gaming.

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

May prevent riots, etc., and suppress houses of ill-fame, etc.

SECTION 15. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Repeals conflicting acts.

SECTION 16. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
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CHAPTER 17.

AN ACT to amend chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, entitled, "An act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of La Crosse, and the several acts amendatory thereof."

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, of sub-chapter 1, of chapter 162, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 2. The said city of La Crosse shall be divided into twenty wards, numbered and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Amends chapter 162, laws of 1887.

Wards and their boundaries.

All that part of said city lying south of the north section line of section 32, township 16, range 7 west, and east of the center line of Sixth street, extended to its intersection with the north

First ward.