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## CHAPTER 30.

AN ACT to alter the boundaries of certain towns in the county of Marinette and create the towns of Athelstane, Beaver and Lake in said county.

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

**Territory detached; town of Amberg.** SECTION 1. All that certain territory in the town of Wausaukee, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows: to-wit; The two south tiers of sections in township No. 35 north, of range No. 20 east, and the two south tiers of sections in township No. 35 north, of range No. 21 east, also fractional town No. 35 north, of range 22 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Wausaukee, in said county, and is hereby attached to and made part of the town of Amberg in said county.

**Town of Athelstane defined.** SECTION 2. All that territory in the town of Wausaukee, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: Township No. 35 north, of range No. 19 east, and the east one-half of township No. 34 north, of range No. 19 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Wausaukee, in said county, and that certain territory in the town of Peshtigo, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: Township No. 34 north, and 35 north, both in range No. 17 east, also township No. 34 north and 35 north, all in range No. 18 east, and the west one-half of township No. 34 north, of range No. 19 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Peshtigo, in said county, and the whole of the aforesaid territory so set off and detached from said towns of Wausaukee and Peshtigo as in this section provided is hereby created and constituted a separate town, to be known and designated as the town of Athelstane, in said Marinette county.

**Territory detached; town of Wausaukee.** SECTION 3. All that certain territory in the town of Peshtigo, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: The south one-half of township No. 33 north, of range No. 20 east,

and the south one-half of township No. 33 north, of range No. 21 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Peshtigo, in said county, and is hereby attached to and made a part of the town of Wausaukee, in said county.

**Town of Lake defined.** SECTION 4. All that certain territory in the town of Peshtigo, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: Township No. 32 north, of range No. 21 east, and all that part of township No. 31 north, of range 21 east, which is situated north of the center of the main channel of the Peshtigo river, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Peshtigo in said county, and is hereby created and constituted a separate town to be known and designated as the town of Lake, in said Marinette county.

**Town of Beaver defined.** SECTION 5. All that certain territory in the town of Crivitz of Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: The north half of township No. 31 north, of range No. 19 east, and the north half of township No. 31 north, of range No. 20 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Crivitz, in said county, and that certain territory in the town of Pound, Marinette county, Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: The south half of township No. 31 north, of range 19 east, and the south half of township No. 31 north, of range 20 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Pound in said county, and the whole of the aforesaid territory so set off and detached from the towns of Crivitz and Pound, as in this section provided, is hereby created and constitute a separate town, to be known and designated as the town of Beaver, in said Marinette county.

**Territory detached; town of Grover.** SECTION 6. All that certain territory in the town of Peshtigo, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: That part of township No. 31 north, of range 21 east, situated south of the center of the main channel of the Peshtigo river, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Peshtigo in said county, and is hereby attached to and made a part of the town of Grover in said county.

**Territory detached; town of Porterfield.** SECTION 7. All that certain territory in the town of Peshtigo, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: That

part of township No. 31 north, of range No. 22 east, and now a part of the town of Peshtigo in said county, viz., sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Peshtigo in said county, and is hereby attached to and made a part of the town of Porterfield in said county.

**Territory detached; town of Crivitz.** SECTION 8. All that certain territory in the town of Peshtigo, Marinette county, state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to-wit: Township No. 33 north, of range 18 east, and township No. 33 north, of range 19 east, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Peshtigo in said county, and is hereby attached to and made a part of the town of Crivitz in said county.

**Assets and liabilities apportioned.** SECTION 9. The assets and liabilities of the town of Wausaukee existing at the time this act shall go into effect shall be apportioned to each town to which a portion of the said territory so detached from the said town of Wausaukee as existing after this act shall go into effect, so that the respective town retaining or acquiring a portion thereof, shall bear the same ratio to the whole of said assets and liabilities of said town of Wausaukee as existing before this act shall go into effect, as the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the taxable property of each of said respective portions respectively bears to that of the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the whole of the taxable property of said town of Wausaukee as shown by the assessment rolls for the year 1904.

**Assets and liabilities apportioned.** SECTION 10. The assets and liabilities of the town of Peshtigo, existing at the time this act shall go into effect, shall be apportioned to each town created out of the said territory so detached from the said town of Peshtigo or to which a portion thereof is hereby attached, and the town of Peshtigo as existing after this act shall go into effect, so that the respective towns, created out of such territory or retaining or acquiring a portion thereof shall bear the same ratio to the whole of said assets and liabilities of said town of Peshtigo as existing before this act shall go into effect, as the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the taxable property of each of said respective portions respectively, bears to that of the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the whole of the taxable property of said town of Peshtigo as shown by the assessment rolls for the year 1904.

**Assets and liabilities apportioned.** SECTION 11. The assets and liabilities of the town of Crivitz, existing at the time this act shall go into effect, shall be apportioned to the said towns of Crivitz and Beaver, as existing after this act shall go into effect, so that the respective towns shall bear the same ratio to the whole of said assets and liabilities of said town of Crivitz, as existing before this act shall go into effect, as the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the taxable property of each of said respective portions respectively bears to that of the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the whole of the taxable property of said town of Crivitz as shown by the assessment rolls for the year 1904.

**Assets and liabilities apportioned.** SECTION 12. The assets and liabilities of the town of Pound existing at the time this act shall go into effect shall be apportioned to the said towns of Pound and Beaver as existing after this act shall go into effect, so that the respective towns shall bear the same ratio to the whole of said assets and liabilities of said town of Pound as existing before this act shall go into effect, as the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the taxable property of each of said respective portions, respectively bears to that of the assessed valuation for the year 1904 of the whole of the taxable property of said town of Pound as shown by the assessment rolls for the year 1904.

**Joint meeting of towns.** SECTION 13. On the 21st day of April, A. D. 1905, at 2 p. m., the town boards of the towns of Peshtigo, Lake, Porterfield, Grover, Athelstane, Beaver, Crivitz, Pound, Wausaukee and Amberg shall meet at the town hall in the town of Wausaukee, and the respective town boards of the towns interested under the terms of this act with each other in the apportionment of assets and liabilities, shall determine what portion of the indebtedness legally incurred by the old towns of Peshtigo, Wausaukee, Crivitz and Pound, shall be chargeable to the new towns created by, and to the towns acquiring territory by virtue of this act, and shall also determine what portion of the credits of the towns of Wausaukee, Peshtigo, Crivitz and Pound each of the new towns created by, and the towns acquiring territory by virtue of this act, shall be entitled to.

**Liability fixed.** SECTION 14. Every new town created by, and every town acquiring territory by virtue of this act, shall

pay the proportion of such indebtedness so declared and found to be chargeable to such detached portions, pursuant to the preceding section, at the time the same shall become payable, and for that purpose the town board of each of such towns shall levy a tax upon all the taxable property of such portions thereof so chargeable therewith.

**First town meetings, when and where held.** SECTION 15. The qualified electors of the said town of Lake shall meet at the school house in section No. 17, situated in township No. 31 north, of range 21 east, in the state of Wisconsin and within said town of Lake, and the qualified electors of the said town of Athelstane shall meet at the school house in district No. 3, in section No. 11, in township No. 34 north, of range No. 19 east, in the state of Wisconsin and within said town of Athelstane, and the qualified electors in the said town of Beaver shall meet at the Armstrong school house in school district No. 4, in section 22, of township No. 31 north, of range 20 east, in the state of Wisconsin and within the said town of Beaver on the first Tuesday of April, 1905, and at each of such town meetings in each of their respective towns in the manner provided by law, shall elect town officers for each of their respective towns. For the purpose of such town elections the qualified voters in each of said towns shall at their respective places of meeting aforesaid between the hours of nine and eleven o'clock in the forenoon of said day choose three of their number to act as inspectors, and two ballot clerks of the election, and such inspectors and ballot clerks shall, before entering upon their respective duties, severally take the usual oath of office, and file the same with their returns, and such inspectors shall respectively canvass and return the votes cast at such election in all respects as provided by law for inspectors at annual meetings, and the qualified electors so assembled at the respective places aforesaid, may vote for judicial officers, whether for justices of the supreme court, judge of the circuit court, or county judge, or all of them, and the vote shall be counted, canvassed and returned in the same manner and shall have the same effect as if said towns were fully organized.

**When towns deemed organized.** SECTION 16. When such elections shall have been held as herein provided, and the town officers in each of said towns then elected shall have qualified as required by law, the said towns of Lake, Athelstane, and Beaver shall be deemed and shall be duly organ-

ized and shall possess all rights, powers, privileges and liabilities of other towns of the state of Wisconsin.

**Authority of county board unabridged.** SECTION 17. Nothing in this act shall be construed so as to abridge any of the powers of the county board of Marinette county to set off, organize, vacate, or alter the boundaries of any of the towns within Marinette county affected by this act, at any time hereafter in accordance with the powers conferred by law upon county boards.

**Name of town of Crivitz changed to Stephenson; territory embraced.** SECTION 18. The name of the town of Crivitz in said Marinette county, herein referred to as such, is hereby changed to Stephenson, which said town shall include all the territory heretofore included in the town of Crivitz and shall include such territory as has been added to the town of Crivitz by the foregoing provisions of this act, and exempting such parts thereof as have been detached therefrom, by this act.

SECTION 19. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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