

sections of land granted to this state by the fourth clause of section seven of an act entitled "an act to enable the people of Wisconsin Territory to form a constitution and state government, and for the admission of such state into the Union," approved August 6th 1846.

SEC. 2. The commissioner or commissioners appointed by virtue of this act shall perform their duties under the direction of the governor: He may revoke their appointments at pleasure, and they shall each receive three dollars for every day actually and necessarily spent in performing the duties required by this act, and they shall certify under oath the number of days so employed.

N. E. WHITESIDE,  
Speaker of the Assembly.

JOHN E. HOLMES,

Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved, August 18, 1848.

NELSON DEWEY.

AN ACT to incorporate the Baptist Society of Whitewater and legalize the acts of said society.

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

SECTION 1. John Woodbury, J. L. Lain, Azel Kinney, and Isaac B. Decker Trustees and their associates and successors are hereby created a body corporate and politic with perpetual succession by the name of "The Baptist Society of Whitewater" and by that name shall be competent to contract and be contracted with sue and be sued, to answer and be answered unto in all courts of law and equity, to purchase hold possess and enjoy any real estate for the site for a church or house of public worship, and suitable yards or grounds for the same and for a parsonage and to erect all

such buildings thereon proper and suitable for such church or house of worship and parsonage and to purchase take by gift or devise or otherwise any real estate or other property and to sell and dispose of or lease the same both real and personal : provided the annual income of such property shall not exceed two thousand dollars : and provided also that nothing herein contained shall authorize the corporation hereby created to purchase sell or deal in any property except for purposes connected with their house of public worship and the grounds attached thereto, and the completing repairing or re-building the same and the necessary fixtures thereto together with a parsonage and such other matters and things as are connected therewith.

Sec. 2. The said trustees and their successors in office shall have power to sell or rent or otherwise dispose of all slips pews and seats in any such church or house of worship and give a quit claim deed or lease of the same and to employ and contract for the services of a minister elder or clergyman whenever they shall be so directed by a vote of the said society and to sue for and collect all subscriptions rents demands and dues of said society and to manage all the fiscal concerns of the same in the name of said society.

Sec. 3. The said trustees and their successors in office shall have the same right privilege and power to improve and defend such lands or other property (as provided for in the first section of this act) in law and equity, that individuals have to improve and defend their individual property, and any quit claim deed or lease which the trustees may give to any individual for any slip pew or seat shall not be so construed as to take away the control of the land buildings or other property from the trustees.

Sec. 4. Any three of the trustees as above named or their successors in office shall have power to call a meeting of said society by giving at least six days notice thereof by posting up notices in such places as the said society shall direct, the first shall be by posting up three notices in the most public places in the village of Whitewater, said notices to contain the place where and the time when such meeting is to be held.

Sec. 5. Said society shall have power to form a constitution and exact by-laws for its government, to prescribe the number and title of its officers and to define their powers and duties, and such other things as may be necessary for governing and promoting the interest of said society not inconsistent with the laws of this state or of the United States.

**Sec. 6.** Said society shall keep a full and complete record of all ordinances by-laws rules and regulations made by them and of all notices, elections and the names of all such persons as shall become or be elected officers of said society and of all monies received paid out or expended by them or either of them in or about the affairs of said society, which said records shall always be open for inspection and examination of the members of said society and shall be received in all courts as competent evidence of the facts therein stated.

**Sec. 7.** All officers of this society shall hold their respective offices for one year and until others are chosen or elected in their stead except the trustees who shall hold their offices as the said society shall direct.

**Sec. 8.** All the acts of the trustees of the Baptist society of White-water since the eighteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five, are hereby sanctioned and all the contracts heretofore made by said society or the trustees of the same with any person or persons are hereby declared to be binding and of full force and effect on the said person or persons and the society hereby incorporated provided such acts or contracts are not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state or of the United States.

N. E. WHITESIDE,  
Speaker of the Assembly.  
JOHN E. HOLMES,

Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved August 18, 1848.

NELSON DEWEY.

**AN ACT to incorporate the Sinsinawa Female Academy.**

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

**SECTION 1.** Seraphina McNulty, Emiline Ruteen, Clara Conway