

Fees for recording.

SECTION 2. Section twelve of said chapter one hundred and sixty-seven, relating to the recording of certain instruments by lumber inspectors, is hereby amended, by adding to said section, at the end thereof, the following words, to wit: "to be paid by the person for whom the same may be recorded."

Correction.

SECTION 3. Section fourteen of said chapter one hundred and sixty-seven, is hereby corrected, by striking out the words, "section one," and substituting therefor the words, "section two," where the former words occur in the clause relating to the appointment of lumber inspectors.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

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## CHAPTER 260.

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AN ACT to amend an act entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the act to incorporate the city of Milwaukee, and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved February 20th, 1852.

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

Tax of \$10,000 authorized for dredging.

SECTION 1. The common council of the city of Milwaukee are hereby authorized to cause to be dredged, during the year 1864, the Milwaukee and Menomonee rivers, within the limits of said city, at an expense not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and to levy, assess and collect the amount so to be expended, not exceeding the limits above prescribed, in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected in said city, and in addition to the amount authorized by law to be raised by taxation for general city purposes.

Apportionment of expense.

SECTION 2. The street commissioners shall have the power and are hereby authorized, to cause the Milwaukee and Menomonee rivers to be dredged on each side thereof, not exceeding fifty feet in width, and the expense of such dredging shall be apportioned by the street commissioners among, and shall be a charge and

lien upon, the several lots or parcels of land extending to said river, in proportion to the work done opposite to such lot or parcel of land, to be estimated by the city surveyor, and shall be collected in the same manner as other special taxes are now levied and collected by law in said city: *provided, however*, that no such dredging shall be ordered to be done except upon the petition of a majority of the owners of a lot or lots in each block in front of which such dredging is proposed to be done, as now provided by law in the case of grading, paving, planking or graveling streets, sidewalks or gutters in said city.

Dredging must be petitioned for.

SECTION 3. The street commissioners are hereby authorized to contract for the cleaning and repairing of streets, alleys and sidewalks, as now provided by law, and the expense of cleaning such streets, alleys and sidewalks shall be chargeable to and paid out of the ward fund of the proper ward. The expense of relaying sidewalks with new material, or planking streets with new material, shall be chargeable to and paid for by the lots or pieces of land in front of which such relaying may be done.

Cleaning streets, &c.

Expense of sidewalks.

SECTION 4. No sewer shall hereafter be constructed in said city, except upon the petition of a majority of the owners of lots or parcels of land purposed to be charged, or which would by law be chargeable with the expense thereof, as provided by law in the case of grading streets.

Sewers must be petitioned for.

SECTION 5. The common council are hereby authorized, whenever in their opinion the public necessity requires it, to reconstruct any of the bridges now in use in said city, and to levy, assess and collect the expense thereof in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected in said city, and in addition to the amount authorized by law to be raised for general city purposes: *provided, however*, that no more than nine thousand dollars shall be levied, assessed and collected in any one year.

Reconstruction of bridges.

SECTION 6. Any certificate of sale for the amount of any street commissioners' certificate or special tax held by the city of Milwaukee in trust for the owner of such street commissioners' certificate or such special tax, or any certificate of sale for general city or ward taxes, held by said city, may be assigned, sold, and transferred by the city treasurer, although said city

Assignment of commissioners' certificates, &c.

may hold in trust, in whole or in part, certificates for the sale of lots for the amount of street commissioners' certificates or special taxes, issued in any prior year, and no liability shall attach to the city or said treasurer by reason thereof; but any such sale, assignment and transfer shall only be made upon payment of all previous general city and ward taxes: *provided, however*, that this section shall not take effect or be in force until the first day of August, 1864.

Tax for general city purposes.

SECTION 7. The common council may annually levy by tax, as now provided by law for general city purposes, a sum not exceeding seventy thousand dollars in any one year.

City assessor to be appointed.

SECTION 8. The city assessor shall be appointed and shall hold his office for the term of two years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, and shall receive an annual salary not exceeding six hundred dollars.

Repeal.

SECTION 9. So much of section three of chapter 308 of the laws of 1862, as provides for an election of chief engineer of the fire department by the people, is hereby repealed. The chief engineer of the fire department shall hereafter be elected by the common council, in joint convention. Such chief engineer shall hold his office during good behavior, and for a term not exceeding two years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, unless reappointed as herein provided, and he shall receive a salary not exceeding one thousand dollars per annum.

Engineer to be appointed.

His term of office and salary.

Repeal.

SECTION 10. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

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