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CHAPTER 283.

AN ACT to allow certain towns in Forest county to raise moneys for school purposes.

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

SECTION 1. In addition to the moneys heretofore authorized and allowed to be raised, the towns of Crandon and Gagen, in the county of Forest, are hereby authorized and allowed to raise and expend in each of said towns, the sums of three hundred dollars, in the town of Crandon, and five hundred in the town of Gagen, annually hereafter, for school purposes.

May raise and expend money for school purposes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 284.

AN ACT placing roads within a town under the management of the town board, and requiring town road taxes to be paid in money, and providing for the appointment of road superintendents.

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

SECTION 1. The town board of each town in this state shall have the full supervision, management and control of the making and repairing of all roads in said town, except such as are, or may hereafter be, put under the jurisdiction of the county by any law of this state, and may make and repair the same by hire or contract, and for that purpose may annually appoint a

Town boards to have control, etc.; grounds.

competent person or persons to superintend the making and repairing of all such roads, who shall hold his position for a term of three years, unless sooner removed, for cause, by a vote of the town board, and he shall have the same powers, and perform the same duties over the highways of the town, as the overseers now do over the districts, except such as may be in conflict with the provisions of this act.

May procure machinery, etc.

May purchase gravel pits.

Condemnation proceedings.

SECTION 2. The town board of each town may procure machinery, implements, stone, gravel, and other material, and hire laborers and teams necessary and proper for making and repairing all roads aforesaid, and to make and repair the same, and shall have power to purchase gravel pits and stone quarries and take title to the same in the name of the town. In case the town board cannot obtain title by agreement with the owner of such gravel pit or stone quarry, then said board shall, by resolution, declare its purpose to take the same, and therein describe by meets and bounds the land proposed to be so taken, and the amount thereof owned by each owner, mentioning the names of the owners or occupants, so far as known, and therein fix a day, hour and place, when and where they will apply to the county judge, or to a justice of the peace, resident in such town, for a jury to condemn and appraise such gravel pit or stone quarry. Notice shall be given and served as provided in section 896, of the Revised Statutes for 1878. Sections 897 to 902, inclusive, of the Revised Statutes for 1878, shall apply, so far as applicable, to such condemnation proceedings by the town board, except that, wherever the word "village" is used in said sections, the word "town" shall be substituted therefor, and wherever the words "village board" are used, the words "town board" shall be substituted therefor, and wherever the words "village clerk" are used, the words "town clerk" shall be substituted therefor.

May borrow money.

Limit.

SECTION 3. It shall be lawful for said town board, at any time after the road tax in any year shall be ordered to be assessed, and before the same is collected, to pledge the credit of the town for a loan or loans of any sum of money, not exceeding in all four-fifths or so much of such tax as shall be assessed to be by them ex-

pended in paying the expenses of such making and repairing of the roads of said town for the current year; and the road tax for that year, when collected, shall be first applied to repay such loans, and so much thereof as shall not be needed for such payment, shall be used by said town board in paying the expenses of making and repairing the roads as aforesaid.

SECTION 4. Hereafter all taxes assessed for making and repairing roads in any town in this state shall be paid in money, and collected by the town treasurer at the same time, and in the same manner, as other taxes are collected in said town for other town and county purposes; and the taxes so collected shall be disbursed by said treasurer on warrants drawn by the town board. The amount of highway taxes that may be assessed in any town for any one year and the manner of making such assessment, shall remain the same as now provided for by section 1240, of the Revised Statutes, and the amendments thereto. In case there be filed with the town clerk, thirty days prior to the time of holding the annual town meeting, a petition in writing, signed by not less than twenty-five electors and freeholders of the town, requesting that the electors of the town shall, at such town meeting, vote on the question whether the highway taxes in such town shall be paid in labor instead of money, it shall be the duty of the town clerk to post in three public places of the town, at least ten days prior to the time of holding such annual meeting, notice that such question will be submitted at such meeting to a vote of the electors. In case the electors at such meeting vote that the highway tax shall be paid in labor, instead of money, for that year, such labor shall be performed under the supervision of a road superintendent or superintendents appointed by the town board under this act, and at such time as the town board, or road superintendent may determine. All the provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1878, and the acts amendatory thereof, for the collection of highway taxes, when paid in labor, shall, so far as applicable, apply, except that such road superintendent or superintendents shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the road overseers mentioned in said statutes.

Road taxes to be paid in money.

Petition for submitting question to vote.

Clerk to post notices.

Town board to
make estimate
of money
needed.

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the town board of each town to estimate the amount of money they deem advisable to expend for making and repairing all public roads for their respective towns for the ensuing year, and to report the same to the annual town meeting of said town.

SECTION 6. All acts, or parts of acts, in conflict with this act, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
Approved April 19, 1893.



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CHAPTER 285.

AN ACT to repeal all acts heretofore passed prohibiting the erection of bridges by cities.

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

Cities may
build bridges.

SECTION 1. All those parts of the different city charters of this state, heretofore passed, prohibiting any city from erecting bridges over waters in whole or in part in this state, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
Approved April 19, 1893.