

3. The town supervisors shall provide the town superintendent of highways at the time he enters upon his duties with the necessary forms and books so that he may properly record all receipts and disbursements therein. The state highway commission is directed to devise a standard set of forms and books for the use of town superintendents and to furnish each town board with a description thereof on or before April 1, 1920.

4. All payments for work performed and for materials furnished on town highways shall be made by town highway order drawn upon the town treasurer, and each order shall be signed by the town superintendent of highways and countersigned by the town chairman and each order shall be recorded upon the books of the town superintendent showing the date, amount and purpose thereof.

5. All formal contracts for the performance of road, bridge and culvert construction shall be approved by the majority of the town board before being binding upon the town.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect April 7, 1920.

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CHAPTER 519.

AN ACT to appropriate to the assembly contingent fund and senate contingent fund sums of money therein named.

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of any money in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, to the assembly contingent fund a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars, and to the senate contingent fund a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 520.

AN ACT to repeal section 959—32 and to amend sections 959—33 and 959—35b of the statutes, providing for cash payment to contractors for certain public works.

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

SECTION 1. Section 959—32 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. Sections 959—33 and 959—35b of the statutes

are amended to read: Section 959—33 After the full performance of any such contract * * * *for such permanent improvement*, if the owner or owners of any lot, parts of lots or parcels of land fronting on any street or avenue which has been improved * * * shall have applied for an extension of the time for the payment of assessments as is provided in * * * section 959—31 the board of public works or, if there is no such board, the city clerk, shall issue bonds against such lots, parts of lots or parcels of land for the amounts chargeable against such property, said bonds to be made payable within the time limited in the resolution which may have been passed in accordance with section 959—30. Such bonds shall be designated as “street improvement bonds,” bear the name of the street or avenue for which they are issued, be made payable to * * * bearer, be negotiable, state the amount of work done by the contractor, the nature thereof and a description of the property upon which the same is chargeable, be issued in the name of the city and countersigned by its comptroller; but neither the city nor any officer thereof shall become liable or holden for any part thereof, either principal or interest, excepting for so much as has been actually collected by the city treasurer for the payment of such part of the improvement for which such bonds have been issued. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum from and after the * * * date of issue and have attached thereto coupons, each in amount equal to the annual payment due on such bonds together with the accrued interest. Said coupons and bonds shall be payable at the office of the city treasurer immediately after the completion of the tax collection each year to the extent of the moneys received by him on account of the improvements for which such bonds have been issued; they shall be a first lien against any lots, parts of lots or parcels of land on account of which they were issued, and in case of failure of the payment of any installment or the interest thereon when the same becomes due, the whole amount of any such bond, together with the interest chargeable against any such lot, parts of lots or parcels of land the owner or owners of which have failed to pay the annual assessment or interest, shall, at the election of the holder of such bonds, to be exercised within thirty days after such default, forthwith become due and payable and may be recovered as mortgages are foreclosed; there may also be recovered a reasonable attorney’s fee and costs. The owner or owners of any lots, parts of lots or parcels of land upon which bonds are issued may, at any time, pay to the city treasurer the entire unpaid assessment and accrued interest, and receive a release of the

lien and assessment against their property by paying to said treasurer, in addition to said assessment and accrued interest, on said bonds for the period of three months after such payment. The issuance of said bonds shall be conclusive evidence of the regularity of all previous proceedings and the validity of said lien; and no want of power, illegality or irregularity in connection with the making of such assessments or the issue of such bonds shall invalidate said bonds.

Section 959—35b. Hereafter in *all* cities * * * however incorporated, no special assessment certificates shall be issued to contractors for the grading, graveling, macadamizing, or paving of streets or alleys, or the grading and laying of sidewalks, or the paving of gutters and the installation of curbing, nor for the digging or excavating or building of any sewers, or for any other street improvement whatever, but the contractor shall be paid *in cash, except that in cities of the first class he shall be paid* as provided in section 959—35c.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 521.

AN ACT to create subsection (6) of section 43.27 and to amend section 43.31 of the statutes, relating to public libraries.

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

SECTION 1. A new subsection is added to section 43.27 of the statutes to read: (43.27) (6) In case the library board is composed of nine or more members, five members thereof shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 2. Section 43.31 of the statutes is amended to read: 43.31 (1) Every library and reading room established under this chapter, shall be forever free for the use of the inhabitants of the city, town or village where located, subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the library board may find necessary to adopt and publish in order to render the use of said library and reading room of the greatest benefit to the greatest number, and they may exclude and cut off from the use of said library and reading room any and all persons who shall wilfully violate such rules. * * *

(2) The board of directors of such library and reading room may under such rules and regulations as they may deem necessary and upon such conditions as may be agreed upon, allow