

CHAPTER 272.

[Published March 25, 1875.]

AN ACT to improve a certain street in the third and tenth [seventh] wards of the city of Milwaukee.

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

SECTION 1. The board of public works of the city of Milwaukee are hereby authorized and empowered to cause to be paved, with a wooden-block pavement, Wisconsin street, in the third and seventh wards of the city of Milwaukee, from Milwaukee river to lake Michigan. The work hereby authorized to be done shall be assessed and payable as follows: All street and alley crossings by the ward funds of the third and seventh wards in equal proportions; and in front of the property not heretofore paved by the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land in front of which the work is done, and all repairing, by the ward funds of the third and seventh wards in equal proportions.

Board of public works to cause improvements on Wisconsin street.

How expenses to be paid.

SECTION 2. No petition from owners of property or resolution of the common council of the city of Milwaukee shall be required for doing of the work provided for in this act. Said work is to be finished by the 15th day of November, 1875, and shall be let by contract, within sixty days after the passage of this act, to the lowest bidder: *provided, however,* that the board of public works may reject any bid that may not offer undoubted evidence to them of the ability and means of the person bidding, to execute the work properly within the time set forth in this act. Such contract when entered upon shall require the contractor to receive as payment certificates against the lots fronting on the street hereby authorized to be newly paved, for the amount of the cost of the work in front of said lots, and the residue of such contract shall be paid in city orders, chargeable to the ward funds of the third and seventh wards for the year 1875, in equal parts.

No petition or resolution required.

When work to be finished.

Requirement of contract.

SECTION 3. All provisions of the city charter in relation to certificates to be issued by the board of public works against lots, parts of lots and parcels of land in the city of Milwaukee, shall apply to all certificates to be issued under this act, and shall have the same force and validity. Such certificates shall

Provisions of city charter in relation to certificates issued.

draw interest at the rate of twenty-five per cent. per annum upon all amounts named in the same, and shall be liens upon the lots or parts of lots against which the same shall be respectively chargeable from and after the time when such certificates shall be countersigned and registered by the city comptroller.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 273.

[Published March 23, 1875]

AN ACT to punish and provide against the abuse of dumb animals.

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

Abuse of dumb animals declared a misdemeanor.

SECTION 1. Every person who shall, by his act or neglect kill, maim, wound, injure, torture or cruelly beat any horse, mule, ox, cattle, sheep or other animal belonging to himself or another, shall, upon conviction, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor.

Disabled animals not to be turned loose.

SECTION 2. Every owner, driver or possessor of an old, maimed or diseased horse or mule, or other animal, turned loose or left disabled in any street, lane or other public place for more than three hours after knowledge of such disability, shall, on conviction, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor.

Unlawful to override, overwork, etc.

SECTION 3. If any person shall overdrive, overwork, overload, torture, torment, deprive of necessary sustenance or unnecessarily or cruelly beat, or needlessly mutilate or kill, or cause or procure to be overdriven, overworked, overloaded, tortured, tormented or deprived of necessary sustenance, or to be unnecessarily or cruelly beaten, or needlessly mutilated or killed, as aforesaid, any living creature, every such offender shall, for every such offense, be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Unlawful to keep cock pits, etc.

SECTION 4. Any person who shall keep or use, or in any way be connected with, or interested in the management of, or shall receive money for the admission of any person to any place kept or used for the purpose of fighting or baiting bull, bear, dog, cock, or