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CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT to enable, permit and authorize the cities of Grand Rapids and Centralia to build and maintain a free bridge across the Wisconsin river, between said cities, on section seventeen, township twenty-two north, range six east.

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

Cities of Grand Rapids and Centralia may maintain free bridge across Wisconsin river.

SECTION 1. The cities of Grand Rapids and Centralia, in the county of Wood, are hereby enabled, permitted, authorized and empowered to erect and forever maintain a free bridge across the Wisconsin river, between said cities, on section seventeen, township twenty-two north, of range six east, on the site of the Wood county bridge (now destroyed) heretofore authorized to be built across said river by chapter 178, of the private and local laws of 1865, and for the purpose of constructing and maintaining such bridge, piers and abutments as they may deem available, and also the approaches and right of way thereto heretofore acquired by said county of Wood, and all the rights, property and franchises acquired by said county by its purchase of said bridge under the provisions of said act, as well as the approaches thereto purchased by said county, are hereby transferred to and vested in said cities.

May contract for erection of bridge.

SECTION 2. Said cities, by their respective common councils at any time after the bonds provided for in section 5, of this act shall have been authorized to be issued, shall be and hereby are authorized and empowered to contract in behalf of said cities, and in their corporate names with any responsible person or persons, for the erection of such bridge, in whole or in part, and in such manner as they may deem best, not inconsistent with the provisions of law, or to cause said bridge to be erected and completed under the supervision of a committee of two from each city, to be elected by the common council thereof.

SECTION 3. The total expense authorized for

the purpose of building said bridge shall not exceed five per centum of the value of the taxable property in said cities, to be ascertained by the last preceding assessment for state and county taxes, as determined by the board of supervisors of said Wood county, and such expense for building such bridge and repairs thereon for the future shall be borne and paid by said cities in the following proportions: Said city of Grand Rapids shall bear and pay three-fifths thereof, and said city of Centralia shall bear and pay two fifths thereof.

Expense not to exceed five per centum of valuation.

SECTION 4. Such bridge shall not be less than eighteen feet in width, shall have walks and strong railings at the sides, and shall be constructed and maintained in a substantial manner, and safe for the public to travel thereon. Said cities may at any time, by ordinance or resolution, prescribe regulations for the care, safety and proper use of said bridge, including penalties for the violation of said ordinances or resolutions, not inconsistent with the laws of this state, which penalties may be enforced by actions as for tort, in the name of the state of Wisconsin, before any justice of the peace of said cities, and all moneys recovered in any such action shall be paid unto the treasurers of said cities in proportion to the amount paid by each toward building said bridge. A legible copy of all regulations and of penalties for violation thereof, hereby authorized, shall be posted in a conspicuous place upon or near each end of said bridge, and shall thereupon be deemed in full force.

How constructed and regulated.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of building said bridge and raising money to pay for the same, said cities are hereby authorized and empowered to issue their bonds respectively to an amount not exceeding said sum of five per centum on the value of the taxable property therein, as provided in section 3, of this act, and in the proportion herein before specified, which bonds, or the proceeds thereof, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, shall be applied in payment of the expenses of building and completing such bridge, and for no other purpose. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of one hundred dollars each, and numbered consecutively, with coupons attached for the payment of interest annually at a

May issue bonds.

rate not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, and both principal and interest shall be made payable within a period not exceeding ten years from the date of issue. Not more than one thousand dollars, nor less than one-tenth of the principal of said bonds shall become payable in any one year by either city. Such bonds shall be executed by the mayor and countersigned by the clerk of said cities respectively, and have the corporate seal thereof attached thereto; provided, that before said bonds shall be issued the question of issuing such bonds shall be submitted to the qualified electors of said cities respectively, at an election to be held at the various election precincts therein; that notice of such election shall be first directed to be given by resolution of the respective common councils of said cities, and shall be published in a weekly newspaper of each of said cities at least one week prior to such election, and shall specify the time, place and manner of holding such election, and the question of issuing bonds shall be voted upon by ballot which shall read, "for issuing bonds," or "against issuing bonds," and, if a majority of all the legal ballots cast at such election in each of said cities shall be in favor of issuing such bonds, then said bonds shall be issued as hereinbefore provided, but not otherwise.

May levy tax to pay interest, etc.

SECTION 6. In case said cities shall issue their bonds as aforesaid, their respective common councils shall annually thereafter levy a tax on the taxable property of their respective cities, sufficient to pay the interest on all their respective bonds, which at the time of levying said tax shall be outstanding, and so much of the principal of such bonds as shall mature and become payable in such year, which tax shall be called, "city bridge tax," and shall be paid in money or in said bonds and coupons then due and payable.

Clerk of said cities to keep record of bonds.

SECTION 7. The clerk of each of said cities shall make and keep in his office a true record of the bonds issued under this act, which record shall contain the number and amount of each bond issued, the date of maturity thereof, the date when issued and the rate of interest thereon, and the date of payment and cancellation to be entered therein when the same are paid.

SECTION 8. The common councils of each of

said cities are hereby authorized to levy such tax annually as may be necessary upon the taxable property therein for the purpose of repairing and maintaining said bridge, such tax to be in the proportion hereinbefore mentioned.

May levy tax for repairs.

SECTION 9. All the provisions of law in relation to bridges between towns and cities, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall be deemed and held to apply to the bridge herein authorized to be built.

Bridge laws to apply.

SECTION 10. All such parts of said chapter one hundred and seventy-eight, of the private and local laws of eighteen hundred sixty-five, as are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Repealed.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved January 23, 1889.

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CHAPTER 3.

AN ACT to amend section 1084, of the revised statutes, relating to tax rolls.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1084, of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by adding to the end of said section the following: The county clerk shall have power to extend the time for the collection of the taxes in any tax roll made by him or his predecessor in office for the time, in the manner and with like effect as is provided in sections 1108 and 1109 of the revised statutes.

Amending section 1084 R. S., county clerk may extend time for collecting taxes.

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

Approved January 24, 1889.