

LAWS OF VERMONT.

ACTS

PASSED BY

THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF VERMONT,

AT THEIR OCTOBER SESSION,

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20.—An Act, in addition to the several acts relating to highways and bridges.

Courts accepting report of committee in favor of petition for laying out or altering highway, to render judgment against towns through which it is laid for their proportion of expenses on said petition.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, That from and after the first day of January next, whenever any committee, appointed by any county or supreme court, upon any petition for laying out or altering any public highway, shall report in favor of the prayer of the petition, and the report shall be finally accepted and established by the court, such court shall render judgment against the several towns, through which such highway shall be laid, for their proportion of all costs and charges accruing on said petition, and issue execution therefor in due form of law.

[Passed Oct. 28, 1835.]

21.—An Act, incorporating Acqueduct Associations within this State, and giving them certain powers and privileges.

Persons associating for supplying any town &c with water, by acqueducts, made a body politic and corporate.

SEC. 1. It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, That whenever any number of persons shall associate for the purpose of supplying any town, district, neighborhood or village in this state with water by means of an acqueduct, such association so formed is hereby made and constituted a body corporate and politic, in deed and in name, by such name and style as a majority of the members of said association may agree upon, and by such name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, may purchase, hold and convey so much personal and real estate as may be necessary to carry into effect the object of such association, may have a common seal and the same alter at pleasure, and enjoy all the privileges and powers incident to corporations for the purpose of making, repairing and enjoying an acqueduct and all the benefits and privileges thereof.

Powers of such corporations.

SEC. 2. It is hereby further enacted, That each and every corporation so formed shall have full power to make their own by-laws and regulations, such as appointing the time and place of holding their meetings, regulating the mode of electing their officers, determining the authority and duty of each officer, dividing the stock of said corporation into as many shares as they may deem proper, and establish the mode of transferring the same

Further powers of said corporations.

either by private sale, or the payment of such assessments and taxes as may be ordered and directed by said corporation—which shares shall be considered personal estate to all intents and purposes, and when any share or shares shall be attached on mesne process, an attested copy of such process and of the officer's return thereon shall be by the officer serving the same lodged with the clerk of said corporation, otherwise the writ or attachment shall be void, and said shares may be sold in the same manner as is provided for the sale of any other personal property, and the officer serving the execution, by virtue of which such sale shall be made, shall leave a copy of said execution, with his returns thereon endorsed, with the clerk of said corporation within twelve days next after such sale, and said share or shares so sold as aforesaid shall to all intents and purposes be vested in the purchaser.

Shares in same to be personal estate.

How attached.

How sold.

SEC. 3. *It is hereby further enacted,* That the form of agreement for constituting such association shall be as follows :

The undersigned, inhabitants of _____ do hereby voluntarily associate for the purpose of according to the first section of an act entitled an act incorporating aqueduct associations within this state and giving them certain powers and privileges, passed the day of _____ A. D. 1835.

Form of agreement for constituting such association.

In witness whereof we have hereunto severally set our hands: dated at _____ this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord _____

Which said agreement, after the due execution thereof, shall be filed in the office of the town clerk for the town where such association shall be formed, as aforesaid, and who is hereby required duly and fully to record the same, and which shall be together with the record thereof in said town clerk's office, sufficient evidence of said association.

Agreement to be recorded in town clerk's office in town where association is formed.

SEC. 4. *It is hereby further enacted,* That any future legislature may alter, amend, modify and repeal this act, at any time, as the public good may require.

This act to be under control of future legislatures.

[Passed Nov. 4, 1835.]

22.—An Act, to provide for the distribution of the second volume of the compiled Laws.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, That the secretary of state is hereby direct-