

such lands, so that the neighbors may not be incommoded nor the public health endangered thereby; and in the event of the proprietors of such lands being unknown, or having no representative or agent in the said town, it shall be lawful for the said Council to order the said lands 5 to be drained or raised, or to fence in and enclose them at their cost, if they are not already fenced in and enclosed; and the said Council shall have a like power if the proprietors or occupiers of such lands are too poor to drain, raise or fence in the same; and in every case the sum expended by the said Council in improving such lands shall remain as a 10 special hypothec on such land, and have privilege over all other debts whatsoever, without it being necessary to register the same;

24. To oblige all proprietors or occupants of houses in the said town, to remove from the streets, all encroachments or obstructions of any sort, such as steps, galleries, porches, posts or other obstacles whatsoever; 15

25. To cause to be pulled down, demolished and removed, when necessary, all old or dilapidated walls, chimneys and buildings of any description that may be in a state of ruin, and to cause to be removed from all streets all sheds, stables, and other outbuildings erected on the 20 line of any street, and to determine the time and manner in which the same shall be pulled down, demolished or removed, and by whom the expense thereof shall be borne;

26. For regulating the width of streets now open, or to be opened hereafter in the said town; for regulating and altering the height or 25 the level of any street or sidewalk in the said town; Provided that if any person shall suffer any damage by the widening, lengthening or altering the level of any street in the said town, such damage shall be paid to such person, after having been assessed by arbitrators, if any of the parties shall require it;

27. For defraying, out of the funds of the said town, the expenses of furnishing the citizens with water, and of lighting the town with gas, or in any other manner, and for obliging the proprietors of real property in or outside the said town to allow the necessary works to be 30 performed for such objects on their respective properties, and for obliging all proprietors in the said town to allow the necessary pipes, lamps and posts to be fixed upon their houses; Provided always that in all such cases, the expense of all such pipes, lamps and other necessary works shall be defrayed by the said Council; and provided also, that the solidity of the buildings on and near to which they shall be 40 so placed, shall be in no wise affected, and that any damage that may be caused shall be paid by the said Council, and that every proprietor shall be indemnified by the said Council;

28. For assessing the proprietors of real property situate on any of the streets of the said town, for such sums as shall be deemed necessary for the making or repairing of any common sewer in any of the 45 streets of the said town, such assessment being in proportion to the assessed value of such property; and for regulating the mode in which such assessment shall be collected and levied;

29. For assessing, at the request of a majority of the citizens residing in any of the streets or public squares of the said town, all the citizens residing in such street or public square, in any sums necessary to meet the expense of sweeping, watering and keeping clean such street or public square, and for removing the snow from any such 50