

The electors at their meetings may exercise their corporate powers, and make regulations, &c.

May raise money for the prosecution or defence of any action.

And may impose penalties.

Provided.

Meetings to be held in the day time, and not continued beyond two days.

By whom the minutes are to be subscribed and where deposited.

XX. And be it further Ordained and Enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Inhabitant householders of the several Parishes and Townships, or reputed Parishes or Townships, or Unions of Parishes or Townships, or of reputed Parishes or Townships in this Province, at their General Meetings, to be convened by one of the Justices of the Peace, or other person as aforesaid, or at Special Meetings, to be convened in like manner, by a Justice of the Peace or other person, by and under the authority of the Governor of this Province, for the time being, to exercise the corporate powers with which they are invested as aforesaid, and to make such regulations, not repugnant to the law of the land or to any of the provisions of this Ordinance, as they may deem proper for the management of any commons, lands, or property which may belong to the said local divisions respectively, in their corporate capacities, and for the establishment of pounds for impounding cattle therein, at such places as they may think fit, and for determining and ascertaining the sufficiency of all fences in such local divisions respectively; and the said Inhabitant householders or the majority of them, assembled as aforesaid, shall also have power at the said meetings, to direct such sum of money to be raised on any such local divisions respectively, as they may deem necessary, for the prosecution or defence of any action in which the said local divisions respectively may be parties or interested; and also to impose such penalties on persons offending against any such rule or regulation, established at such meetings, as they may think proper, not exceeding fifty shillings, current money of this Province, and to provide for the recovery of such penalties, and the application of them when recovered, in such manner as they may deem expedient. Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for any such local division to exercise any other powers of a Corporation except such as are hereinbefore mentioned, or such as shall be specially conferred by the Legislature of this Province, or such as shall be necessary for the due execution of the powers hereinbefore granted.

XXI. And be it further Ordained and Enacted, that Parish and Township Meetings, to be held as aforesaid, shall be held in the day time only, between the hours of nine in the morning and four in the afternoon, and shall in no case be continued beyond two days.

XXII. And be it further Ordained and Enacted, that the minutes of the proceedings of every Parish or Township meeting, to be held as aforesaid, shall be subscribed by the Justice of the Peace, or other person presiding at the same, and by the Clerk of the Parish or Township, or reputed Parish or Township, or Union of Parishes or Townships, or of reputed Parishes or Townships as aforesaid, in which such