

all their schools should be conducted under one system and one management, like the schools in cities and towns, the Municipal Council of such township shall comply with the request so expressed, by passing a by-law to give effect thereto; in which event all the common schools of such township shall be managed by one board of *five* trustees, one of which trustees shall be chosen in and for each ward, if the township be divided into wards, and if not so divided, then the whole number of such trustees shall be chosen in and for the whole township, and the election of such trustees shall be held at the time and in manner prescribed in the *third, seventh, eighth and twenty-second* sections of this Act; and such trustees shall be a corporation under the name of "*The Board of School Trustees of the township of , in the County of ,*" and shall be invested with the same powers and be subject to the same obligations as trustees in cities and towns, by the *seventy-ninth* section of this Act.

#### DUTIES OF TOWNSHIP COUNCILS.

##### *Assessors to value lands situated in each Section.*

33. Whenever the lands or property of any individual or company are situated within the limits of *two* or more school sections, each Assessor appointed by any municipality, shall assess and return on his roll, separately, the parts of such lands or property within the limits of which sections, according to the divisions of the school, such lands or property may be situate; but every undivided occupied lot or part of a lot, shall only be liable to be assessed for school purposes in the school section where the occupant resides.

*Council to impose certain School assessments at the request of the Board of Trustees.*

34. For the purchase of a school site, the erection, repair, rent and furniture of a school house, the purchase of apparatus and text-books for the school, books for the library, and salary of the teacher, each township council shall levy, by assessment upon the taxable property in any school section, such sum as may be required by the trustees of such school section in accordance with the desire of the majority of the freeholders and householders expressed at a public meeting called for that purpose, as authorized by the tenth clause of the *twenty-seventh* section of this Act.

*Council may authorize trustees to borrow money for special purposes. —And provide for re-payment.*

35. Each township council may grant to the trustees of any school section, on their application, authority to borrow any sums of money necessary for the purposes above mentioned, in respect to school sites, school houses and their appendages, or for the purchase or erection of a teacher's residence, and in that event, shall cause to be levied in each year upon the taxable property in the section, a sufficient sum for the payment of the interest on the sum so borrowed, and a sum sufficient to pay off the principal within *ten* years.

*Council not to levy more than one rate except in certain cases.*

36. No township council shall levy and collect in any school section during any one year, more than one school section rate, except for the purchase of a school site or the erection of a school house; and no such council shall give effect to any application of trustees for the levying or collecting of rates for school purposes, unless the trustees of the school section make the application to such council at or before its meeting in *August* of the year in which such application is made.

*Council may establish Libraries.*

37. Each township council may levy such sums as it judges expedient for purchasing books for a township library, under such regulations as may be provided in that behalf, and for procuring the site and for the erection and support of a township model school:

*Council to be trustees of model school.*

And in such event the members of such township council shall be the trustees of such model school, and shall possess the powers of common school trustees in respect to all matters affecting such model school.

*Common schools may be united with township model school.*

38. The trustees of any one or more common schools may at their discretion, and with the consent of such council, merge their schools into such model school; and tuition to student teachers in such model school shall be free.

*Council to form new school sections.*

39. Each township council shall form portions of the township where no schools have been established, into school sections; and shall appoint a person in each new school section to call the first school section meeting; and shall cause such person to be notified in the manner prescribed in the *seventh* section of this Act\*.

*Alteration of existing sections; notice to be given.*

40. In case it clearly appears that all parties to be affected by a proposed alteration in the boundaries of a school section have been duly notified of the intended step or application, the township council may alter such boundaries;

*Alteration to take effect 25th December.*

But no such alteration in the boundaries of a school section shall take effect before the *twenty-fifth* day of *December* next after the alteration has been made.

*Union of existing sections; meetings to be called.*

41. In case at a public meeting of each of two or more sections called by the trustees for that purpose, a majority of the freeholders and householders of each of the sections to be affected, request to be united, then the council shall unite such school sections into one.

*First election in such united sections.*

42. The first election in such united section shall be appointed and held in the same manner as is provided for in the *seventh* to the *twelfth* sections of this Act, in respect to a new school section.

*Share of school fund not affected.*

43. The several parts of any altered or united school sections shall have respectively the same right to a share of the common school fund for the year of the alteration or union, as if they had not been altered or united.

*Disposal of school property when not wanted.*

44. In case a school site, or school house, or other school property be no longer required in consequence of the alteration or the union of school sections, the same shall be disposed of by sale or otherwise, in such manner as a majority of the freeholders and householders in the altered or united school sections decide at a public meeting called for that purpose.

*Separated part to share in proceeds.*

And the inhabitants transferred from one school section to another, shall be entitled, for the common school purposes of the section to which they are attached, to such a proportion of the proceeds of the sale of such school house or other common school property, as the assessed value of their property bears to that of the other inhabitants of the school section from which they have been so separated; and the residue of such proceeds shall be applied to the erection of a new school house, or to other common school purposes of such altered or united sections.

[Sections 45 and 46 have been superseded by the 5th section of the new School Act.]

*Union Section may be dissolved by either Township Council.*

47. Each township council may, under the restrictions imposed by law in regard to the alteration of school sections, separate such part of any union school section as is situated within the limits of its jurisdiction, from the union of sections, and may form the part so separated into a distinct school section, or attach it to one or more existing school sections or parts of sections within its jurisdiction, as such council judge expedient.

*Township Clerk to furnish Information to Local Superintendent.*

48. Each township council shall cause the clerk of the township to furnish the local superintendent of schools with a

\* See section 20 of the new School Act.