

against the territory, and if correct and allowed by law, shall issue a warrant for the same upon the territorial treasurer, to be paid out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated. He shall receipt for all moneys due the territory and pay the same over to the treasurer, taking his receipt for the same. He shall keep a correct account of all moneys received and who from, and of all claims audited and paid, and to whom. He shall report to the legislative assembly at the commencement of each session the financial condition of the territory, giving the items of moneys received and paid out by warrant. He shall also be territorial librarian, and have charge of the territorial library. He shall be entitled to a salary of fifty dollars.

Salary.

Governor appoint.

SECT. 4. The governor shall appoint, by and with the consent of the council, the above officers, to serve until their successors are elected and qualified.

Take effect, when.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved May 13, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

TOWN SITE CLAIMANTS.

CHAPTER 87.

AN ACT GRANTING TO TOWN SITE CLAIMANTS CERTAIN POWERS.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota :

Town site claimants may become bodies corporate, how.

SECTION 1. That whenever any of the public lands of the United States, within the limits of this territory, have been or hereafter shall [be] settled upon, occupied, and claimed as a town or village site, it shall be lawful for the inhabitants, occupants, and claimants thereof, or a majority of them, to

meet at such time and place as they may agree upon, and when so met to organize themselves into a body corporate, by choosing a president and a secretary, and agreeing upon a name and articles of association, by the time [terms] of which the rights of the bona fide claimants of such lands shall be protected, and by choosing three trustees of such corporation; such articles of association shall define the duty of such trustees, and shall also determine the tenure of its officers, and the time and manner of holding of [the meetings of] such corporation.

SECT. 2. The trustees of such corporation shall have power to establish all such by-laws as may be needful and consistent with the provisions of this act. Trustees may establish by-laws.

SECT. 3. The president and secretary of the first meeting shall cause a certified copy of the doings of said first meeting to be recorded in the office of the register of deeds in the county where such land is situated, and such record shall be evidence of the incorporation and corporate existence of the company therein named. Doings of first meeting to be certified and recorded.

SECT. 4. The president so as aforesaid chosen, and his successor in office, shall have full power and authority to enter or purchase said lands at the proper land-office, in trust for the corporation whom they represent, according to the provisions of the laws of the United States in relation to town sites, and to convey the same to the proprietors thereof, according to their respective interests therein, according to the laws of this territory. President may enter or purchase land, &c.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and approval by the governor. Take effect, when.

Approved May 13, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*