

## VILLAGES

### CHAPTER 339.

(S. B. No. 212—McLachlin, by Request.)

#### PUBLICATION OF VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT.

An Act To Amend and Re-enact Section 3890 of the Compiled Laws of 1913 Relating to Publishing of Village Treasurer's Reports and Prescribing the Form Thereof.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

Sec. 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 3890 of the Compiled Laws of 1913 is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 3890. DUTIES OF TRUSTEES TO PUBLISH STATEMENT. FORM OF REPORT.) It shall be the duty of the board of trustees immediately after the annual settlement with the treasurer of said corporation to publish in a newspaper if one is published therein, or if there is no newspaper then by posting in three or more public places, an exhibit of the receipts and expenditures specifying the sources of such receipts, what appropriations were made, for what objects, and the specific amount of each. The treasurer's report shall be published provided such report shall be set in single column of figures and that all officers' titles shall be set in abbreviated form and on the same line with the officers' names, when possible, and such report shall be paid for at the legal rate, or posted on or before the tenth day of March of each year, and shall be substantially in the following form:

*Village Treasurer's Report.*  
*Receipts.*

The amount on hand at the beginning of the year  
(date) .....

The amount received from the collection of general, road and  
bridge taxes

The amount received from the collection of special taxes (if  
any)

The amount received from license fees (if any)

The amount received from fines (if any)

The amount received from all other sources (if any)

Total Receipts.

*Expenditures.*

The amount paid for lighting public streets and alleys (if  
any)

- The amount paid for improvement and care of streets, roads, bridges and cross walks
- The amount paid for the equipment and maintenance of fire department (if any)
- The amount paid for the erection of village halls, bandstands and other public buildings (if any)
- The amount paid for heating, lighting and care of public buildings (if any)
- The amount paid for charity (if any)
- The amount paid for publication of official proceedings and legal notices (if any)
- The amount paid for election expenses
- The amount paid for salaries
- The amount paid for incidental expenses (if any)
- The amount paid on outstanding warrants (if any)
- The amount paid for interest on bonds and outstanding warrants (if any)
- The amount transferred to sinking fund (if any)

Total Expenditures.

Balance on hand at the close of the year ending .....

*Relating to Sinking Funds.*

- The amount on hand in sinking fund beginning of year.....  
..... (if any)
- The amount transferred to sinking fund during the year (if any)

Total Amount.

- The amount paid out of sinking fund (if any)
- Balance on hand in sinking fund at close of year..... (if any)
- The above is a correct account of all money received and paid out by me during the year
- Dated this .....day of .....19.....

Treasurer

Approved by

.....  
President

*Clerk's Statement of Indebtedness of Village.*

- Total amount of warrants outstanding (if any) date .....
- Total amount of bonds outstanding (if any) date .....
- Total indebtedness of village (date) .....
- Approved this .....day of .....19.....
- By order of the Village Board.

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Clerk

Approved March 10th, 1923.

## CHAPTER 340.

(H. B. No. 47—Sproul, by Request.)

## VILLAGE TRUSTEES.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 3854 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota of 1913, Providing for the election and Terms of Office of Village Officials.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

Sec. 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 3854 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota of the year 1913 is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 3854. VILLAGE OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED. TERMS OF OFFICE. COMPENSATION.) There shall be elected at the first annual village election of each village, held after the taking effect of this act, one Trustee from each district in such village. Those Trustees elected from the even numbered districts of such village shall hold office until the third Tuesday in March of the next year thereafter, or until a successor is elected and qualified; those Trustees elected from the odd numbered districts of such village shall hold office until the third Tuesday of March of the second year following, or until a successor is elected and qualified. Thereafter all such Trustees elected shall hold office until the third Tuesday in March of the second year following their election or until a successor is elected and qualified. Such village Trustee shall receive as compensation for services two dollars (\$2.00) for each meeting actually attended, but not to exceed twenty-five (\$25.00) as such compensation for any one year of such term of office. There shall also be elected at each such annual village election, a Village Clerk, Assessor, Treasurer, Marshal and Justice of the Peace who shall respectively hold their offices until the Third Tuesday in March next following, or until their successors are elected and qualified; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the respective offices of Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor and Marshal from being held by one and the same person.

Approved February 5th, 1923.

## CHAPTER 341.

(H. B. No. 180—Burns.)

## FIRE PROTECTION IN UNINCORPORATED VILLAGES.

An Act Providing for a Tax Levy in Unincorporated Villages for the Purpose of Purchasing and Maintaining Adequate Apparatus for the Extinguishment of Fires, and Maintaining a Fire Department.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

Sec. 1.) Whenever 65% of the resident owners of real estate in any unincorporated village petition the Board of Supervisors of the township in which it is situated to levy a tax upon all property within said village for the purpose of purchasing and maintaining apparatus for the extinguishment of fires and for the purpose of maintaining an adequate fire department, it shall be the duty of said supervisors to determine and fix the amount necessary for said purposes and at the time the general township tax levy is made, levy upon all property within said village, the amount fixed by them.

Sec. 2.) The amount so levied shall be certified at the time of certifying other township taxes, by the proper authority to the county auditor, who shall calculate and fix the rate per cent necessary to raise that sum, and extend the same upon the tax list of such township against the property within said village, in a column therein to be provided, headed "Village Fire Protection Fund."

Sec. 3.) The tax so levied shall be collected and paid over as other township taxes are collected and paid, and the treasurer of the township shall keep a separate account thereof.

Sec. 4.) The fund herein provided shall be expended by the Board of Supervisors at such time and in such manner as is by said board deemed best to secure proper and adequate protection from fire hazards; provided, however, that no expenditure shall be authorized until approved by the village fire department.

Payments from said fund shall be by warrants drawn upon the township treasurer, and based upon verified, itemized bills.

Sec. 5. EMERGENCY.) This Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved February 27th, 1923.