

CHAPTER 63.

TOWN OF WILTON.

AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation, Ordinances, and Acts of the Officers of the Town of Wilton, in the County of Muscatine. H. F. 543.

WHEREAS, The town of Wilton, in the county of Muscatine, was incorporated in the year 1857, under the provisions of the Code of 1851, a charter adopted in due form, which was immediately filed with the county judge of Muscatine county, who failed to make any record of the preliminary measures taken by the voters of said town, and neglected to record the charter, as was provided by law, but which charter was subsequently recorded by the county judge in the proper records of municipal corporations; and,

WHEREAS, The legal voters of said town, continuously after the adoption of said charter in 1857, and up to the year 1869, elected officers as provided thereby, and by said officers continuously conducted the municipal affairs of said town as though it had been regularly incorporated up to the year 1869; and,

WHEREAS, In the year 1869, and after the taking effect of chapter 157 of the laws of the seventh general assembly, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities and towns," being chapter 51 of title 9 of the "Revision of 1860," the legal voters of said town manifested by the election of the officers mentioned in section 51 of said act, (section 1081 of the revision) their intention to organize as an incorporated town under the provisions of said act, and the citizens and voters of said town, continued to act under the provisions of said chapter 51 of the revision, and all amendments thereto until the repeal of the same by chapter 10 of title 4 of the Code of Iowa, of 1873, since which time they have acted and are now acting under the provisions of said Code, and all amendments thereof, but doubts having arisen as to the regularity of the original incorporation of said town and its subsequent reorganization under said chapter 51 of the revision; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the original incorporation of the town of Wilton, in Muscatine county, with all amendments and changes made in the charter of said town, including its reorganization under said chapter 51 of the revision of 1860, and all ordinances and acts of said corporation and of the officers acting by virtue of authority thereby conferred, be, and the same are hereby ratified and legalized, and declared to have the same force and effect as if the original incorporation and subsequent reorganization of said town had been regular and in strict and full compliance with the laws then in force.

Publication. SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, and Wilton Review, provided such publication shall not be at the expense of the state.

Approved, March 21, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, March 26, and in the Wilton Review, March 28, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 64.

AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF PATENTS TO CERTAIN LANDS IN MONONA COUNTY.

H. F. 427. AN ACT authorizing Patents to issue to Neal McNeil, Richard Stebbins and Moses Adams for certain Lands in Monona county.

Preamble. WHEREAS, The trustees of Franklin township, in Monona county, Iowa, surveyed, sub-divided, allotted and appraised section 16, township 83, range 45, by which survey and allotment said section was estimated to contain 616 84-100 acres, instead of 640 acres, as estimated by the original survey, which survey, allotment and appraisement made by the trustees was approved by the county judge, and the tracts advertised and sold to the highest bidder as containing the number of acres designated by said allotment; and,

WHEREAS, The southwest quarter of said section was sold to Neal McNeil as containing 154 15-100 acres instead of 160 acres; the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter was sold to Richard Stebbins as containing 38 60-100 acres instead of 40 acres, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter was sold to Moses Adams as containing 38 76-100 acres instead of 40 acres; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Sale of lands legalized. SECTION 1. That the sale of the southwest quarter of section 16, township 83, range 45, to Neal McNeil, the sale of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of said section to Richard Stebbins, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section to Moses Adams, is legalized and confirmed, and the And patents to be issued. governor is authorized to issue patents to said Neal McNeil, Richard Stebbins and Moses Adams for the full quantity of said tracts on presentation to the Register of the State Land Office of certificates of final payment by the county auditor of Monona county, showing that payment has been made for the quantity of land estimated to be contained in said tracts as shown by the survey and allotment made by the township trustees.