

SEC. 12. By-laws and ordinances to be published—evidence of same—notice of election. That the by-laws and ordinances of said corporation shall be published in a newspaper in the county, or posted up in some public place in said town, fifteen days before the taking effect thereof, and the certificate of the recorder upon the town records, shall be sufficient evidence of the same having been done; and every annual election herein authorized, shall be preceded by five days notice thereof, put up in three public places in said town.

SEC. 13. Road district. That the streets and alleys of said town shall constitute one road district, including the several roads leading from said town for the distance of one mile from the corporation limits.

SEC. 14. Mayor, etc., duties, compensation. That the mayor or a majority of the councilmen, may call a meeting of the town council, whenever in his or their opinion the same may be necessary. The mayor and trustees shall receive no compensation, unless the same shall be authorized by the inhabitants in legal meeting assembled.

SEC. 15. Act not to prevent county commissioners from building, etc.—county taxes. Nothing in this act contained, shall be so construed as to prevent the board of commissioners of Jefferson county, from building a court house on block No. 13, in said town of Fairfield, known as the centre square therein, or otherwise improving said square for public purposes, and from levying and collecting state and county tax within the limits of said corporation, by the proper authorities under the revenue laws of this state.

Approved, February 9th, 1847.

[53] CHAPTER 39.

STATE ROAD.

AN ACT to locate a state road from Oskaloosa, in Mahaska county, to Knoxville, in Marion county.

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

SECTION 1. Commissioners. That Jonathan M. Hartman and J. N. Severs, of Mahaska county, and L. W. Babbit, of Marion county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to lay out and establish a state road from Oskaloosa, in Mahaska county, to Knoxville, in Marion county.

SEC. 2. Duty—oath. Said commissioners shall meet in Oskaloosa, on the second Monday of May next, or within three months thereafter, and proceed to locate said road, by taking to their assistance two chainmen and one marker, the said J. N. Severs acting as surveyor: they shall take an oath, before some justice of the peace, before entering upon their duties, for the faithful performance of the same.

SEC. 3. Road, how laid out. Said road shall be laid out on the nearest and best route for a road, taking into consideration the public interest, and at the same time doing as little damage to private property as the public interest will admit.

SEC. 4. How governed. Said commissioners, in locating said road, shall be governed by an act to provide for laying out territorial roads, approved, December 29th, 1838.

SEC. 5. To take effect. This act to take effect and be in force from and after its publication.

Approved, February 10th, 1847.