

CHAPTER 256

TOWNSHIP HALLS

H. F. 152

AN ACT to amend, revise and codify chapter twenty-four (24) of title twelve (12) of the compiled code of Iowa, relating to township halls.

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

That chapter twenty-four (24) of title twelve (12) of the compiled code of Iowa is amended, revised and codified to read as follows:

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1 SECTION 1. Township hall—submission to vote. The trustees, on
2 a petition of a majority of the resident freeholders of any civil town-
3 ship, shall submit to the electors thereof, by posting notices of such
4 election in four (4) conspicuous places in the township, thirty (30)
5 days before election, and the form of the proposition shall be: "Shall
6 the proposition to levy a tax of.....mills on the dollar for the
7 erection of a public hall be adopted?"

[C. C. 3460.]

1 SEC. 2. Tax to build hall. If a majority of the votes cast are in
2 favor of the tax, the trustees shall certify such fact to the board of
3 supervisors, and they shall thereupon levy a tax not to exceed the
4 rate voted and not to exceed three (3) mills on the dollar on the
5 taxable property of the township; and when such tax is collected by
6 the treasurer, it shall be paid to the township clerk; but said clerk
7 shall not receive to exceed one per cent (1%) for handling said
8 money.

[C. C. 3461.]

SEC. 3. Township hall funds—transfer authorized—how made.
1 When there are funds in the hands of any township clerk, raised under
2 the provisions of this chapter, when same is not desired for the pur-
3 poses for which it was raised, then said fund may be transferred to
4 the road fund of any township wherein same was raised, when a peti-
5 tion is presented to the trustees, signed by a majority of the electors
6 of said township that voted at the last regular election prior to the
7 signing of said petition, as shown by the poll books of said township,
8 said transfer of funds to be made by the township clerk upon order
9 of the trustees after the filing of said petition with said clerk.

[C. C. 3462.]

1 SEC. 4. Location. Any public hall built under the provisions of this
2 chapter shall be located by the township trustees so as to accommo-
3 date the greatest number of the resident taxpayers, and for such
4 purpose the trustees may purchase land not to exceed in value one
5 hundred dollars (\$100.00).

[C. C. 3463.]

1 **SEC. 5. Trustees to build.** The township trustees shall have
 2 charge of the building of such hall, shall receive bids, and shall let
 3 the building of the same to the lowest responsible bidder, and the
 4 township clerk shall pay out of the funds collected, only on the order
 5 of the trustees of said township.

[C. C. 3464.]

1 **SEC. 6. Clerk to be custodian—law displayed.** The township clerk,
 2 under the direction of the trustees, shall be the custodian of the build-
 3 ing, and the use thereof may be permitted by the township trustees
 4 to citizens of the township for any lawful purpose; and, for the pur-
 5 poses of this chapter, the township clerk is hereby clothed with all
 6 the powers and duties of a constable of the township, to maintain
 7 order within and about the premises, protect the property, and en-
 8 force orders of the township trustees with respect thereto. A copy
 9 of this section shall be at all times kept posted in a conspicuous place
 10 in said hall.

[C. C. 3465.]

1 **SEC. 7. Clerk to give bond.** When a tax is voted as provided in
 2 this chapter, the township clerk shall, before drawing any of said tax
 3 from the treasury of the county, execute a bond, with penalty double
 4 the amount of said tax, which bond shall be approved by the board
 5 of supervisors.

[C. C. 3466.]

1 **SEC. 8. Tax for repairs.** The trustees of any township where such
 2 building has been erected are hereby authorized to certify to the board
 3 of supervisors that a tax of not exceeding in any one (1) year, one-
 4 half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mill on the dollar, of the taxable property of the township,
 5 should be levied, to be used in keeping such building in repair, to
 6 furnish same with necessary furniture and provide for the care
 7 thereof. When such certificate is filed in the auditor's office, the
 8 board of supervisors shall levy such tax.

[C. C. 3467.]

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CHAPTER 257

POLICE AND MAYOR'S COURT

S. F. 157

AN ACT to amend, revise and codify sections three thousand five hundred eighty-four (3584) and three thousand five hundred eighty-seven (3587) of the compiled code of Iowa, relating to municipal corporations.

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

That section three thousand five hundred eighty-four (3584) of the compiled code of Iowa is amended, revised and codified to read as follows:

1 **SECTION 1. Police court—jurisdiction.** In cities of the first class
 2 wherein there is no municipal or superior court there shall be a police