

principal and interest of the bonds issued by virtue of the authority and power granted by this act.

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

Approved February 4, 1881.

CHAPTER 230.

AN ACT to authorize the county commissioners of Wilkin county to issue bonds for the purpose of building a court house and jail in said county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of Wilkin county are hereby authorized to issue bonds for the purpose of erecting a court house and jail connected therewith, at Breckenridge, the county-seat of said county, the total sum of such bonds not to exceed the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000), in such denominations as the said county commissioners may determine.

SEC. 2. Said bonds may bear interest at a rate not to exceed eight (8) per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually at such places as the said board of county commissioners shall direct, and the principal payable as they may direct, at a time or times not less than five (5) nor more than twenty (20) years from the date of said bonds.

SEC. 3. The proper authorities of said county of Wilkin shall annually include in the general tax levied in such county an amount sufficient to pay the interest of such bonds as shall be issued under the provisions of this act falling due within the year when said taxes are due and collectable, and a further sum sufficient to pay the principal of said bonds at their maturity.

SEC. 4. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners of said county and countersigned by the auditor thereof before the same shall become valid; and said auditor shall keep a record of the bonds so issued, showing the numbers, dates, amounts, to whom issued, and when payable.

SEC. 5. The said board of county commissioners shall negotiate said bonds as in their judgment shall be for the best interests of said county; *provided*, that the net amount paid into the treasury of said county from the sale thereof shall not be less than the par value of said bonds together with any interest that shall have accrued thereon before such sale and payment.

SEC. 6. Said bonds shall not be issued as provided in section one (1) of this act unless authorized by a majority of the qualified voters of said county voting thereon as hereinafter provided, and for the purpose of determining said question, the county commissioners of said county shall for at least ten (10) days before the annual town meeting in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881) give public notice by publishing the same in some paper having general circulation in said county, and by notices posted in at least one (1) of the most public places in each organized town in said county, setting forth the time and place of holding said election and substantially the amount of bonds proposed to be issued or disposed of. Said notices shall be posted or caused to be posted by the town clerk of each organized town, as provided by law in case of annual town meetings, but the failure of any town clerk to post said notices shall not affect the validity of said elections, and in case any town in said county shall have been laid off by the county commissioners but shall from any cause not have completed its organization, or in any way have become disorganized, said election shall be held at such place therein as the board of county commissioners shall direct, and said notices shall be posted as provided by law in the original organization of towns. Said vote shall be taken at the time and places of holding the annual town meetings in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881); and those voting in favor of said issue shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed, on the ballots used the words "for issue of bonds for court house and jail," and those voting against the same the words "against issue of bonds for court house and jail." And said voting shall be conducted and counted and returned as provided by law in case of general elections, and within ten (10) days after said election the county auditor and two justices of the peace to be selected by him shall count the vote and file in the office [of] said auditor a certificate under their hands and the seal of the auditor, setting forth the total number of votes cast on said question, and the number respectively for and against said issue; and if a majority of votes so cast shall be in favor of the issue of said bonds they shall then be issued as hereinbefore provided; but not otherwise; *provided*, that if said proposition is defeated at the said election the county commissioners of said county may cause the same to be submitted to vote at any subsequent annual town meeting or at any time after one (1) year from said first-named annual town meeting may order a special election, upon similar notice, for the purpose of voting on said question.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 26, 1881.