

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

No. 28.—1914.

30th October.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinances, 1914.

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GEORGE R. LE HUNTE,

GOVERNOR.

31st October, 1914.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows :—

Short Title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Port-of-Spain Corporation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1914. It shall be read as one with the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinance, 1914 (No. 24 of 1914) hereinafter called the Principal Ordinance, and with the Port-of-Spain Corporation (Temporary Purposes) Ordinance, 1914 (No. 25 of 1914.)

Definition of "Corporation."

2. The definition of "Corporation" in Section 3 (c) of the Principal Ordinance is amended by the insertion of the word "Aldermen" after the word "Mayor."

Transfer of powers, rights and property of preceding corporations.

3. Subject to the provisions of the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinances, all powers, authorities, interests, rights and privileges vested in any of the preceding Port-of-Spain Corporations shall as and from the commencement of the Principal Ordinance be deemed to have been transferred to

and vested in the Corporation; and all property, real and personal, belonging to any of such preceding Port-of-Spain Corporations is hereby declared to have been, as and from the commencement of the Principal Ordinance transferred to and vested in the Corporation.

4. Section 66 (6) of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed, and there shall be inserted in lieu thereof the following:—

Repeal of
Section 66 (6)
of the Princi-
pal Ordinance.

(6.) If the name of any person is entered in respect of property situate in more than one ward, he shall, by written communication addressed to and served upon the Town Clerk not later than 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the day before the day fixed for the sitting of the Court, declare in which of those wards he desires his name to be retained as a burgess, and in default of his so declaring, the court shall determine in which of such wards his name shall be so retained; and thereupon the court shall strike out the name of such person wherever else it shall have been entered in the burgess list.

5. Section 128 (3) of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed, and there shall be inserted in lieu thereof the following:—

Repeal of
Section 128 (3)
of the Princi-
pal Ordinance.

128.—(3.) Where the new house valued under this section stands upon premises already assessed and rated to house rate in the house rate book in force under the same description as the new house bears, the rate payable in respect of such new house for the unexpired portion of the year in which it was erected shall be calculated upon the difference between the annual rateable value of the premises before the erection of such new house and the annual rateable value of the premises after the completion of such new house; and such rate, as well as the rate appearing in the house rate book in force before the erection of such new house, shall be a charge upon such new house; and all necessary entries and alterations shall be made in the house rate book in force.

House rate
payable on
new house.

Amendment of
Section 341 of
Ordinance 24
of 1914.

6. Section 341 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by striking out the words "land on which such new house is erected" in the 4th and 5th lines, and reading in lieu thereof the words "premises already assessed and rated to water rates in the water rate book in force under the same description as the new house bears."

Sewerage rate
payable on
new house.

7. Section 400 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed, and there shall be inserted in lieu thereof the following:—

400. When any new house is erected in the city after the commencement of any sewerage rate year, there shall be paid in respect of such new house, in addition to any rates already levied and payable in respect of the premises already assessed and rated to sewerage rates in the sewerage rate book in force under the same description as the new house bears, an additional sewerage rate calculated for the period from the date of the completion of such new house to the end of the current sewerage rate year upon the difference between the annual rateable value of the premises before the erection of such new house and the annual rateable value thereof after the completion of such new house; and such additional sewerage rate shall be due and payable on such date as may be fixed by the Corporation.

Overhanging
trees.

8. Where any tree or the branches thereof or any brushwood or hedge overhang any street, it shall be lawful for the Corporation to serve a notice on the owner or occupier of the lands whereon such tree, brushwood or hedge is planted, requiring such owner or occupier to cut off and remove such branches, brushwood or hedge within a time to be specified in such notice; and if such owner or occupier shall refuse or neglect to comply with such notice within the time therein specified it shall be lawful for the City Engineer or any person authorised by him to cut off and remove such branches, brushwood or hedge, and for that purpose, if necessary, to enter into or upon the lands whereon such brushwood, tree or hedge is planted or

standing; and the expenses incurred by the City Engineer in cutting and removing such branches, brushwood or hedge may be recovered from such owner or occupier.

9. All applications, notices, plans and other documents delivered at the office of the Town Clerk or of the City Engineer in pursuance of the Principal Ordinance or of any bye-law rule or regulation made thereunder shall on delivery become the property of the Corporation.

Plans and documents delivered in pursuance of Ordinance to be the property of the Council.

10.—(1.) It is hereby declared that under and by virtue of the powers conferred upon the Council by Sections 2 (1) and 3 of the Port-of-Spain Corporation (Temporary Purposes) Ordinance, 1914, the Council shall as from the commencement of the said Ordinance and of the Principal Ordinance be deemed to have had and to have power:—

Power to appoint deputy Chairman and remuneration of Chairman and deputy Chairman.

- (a.) To appoint a Deputy Chairman to act in the absence of the Chairman; and
- (b.) To remunerate the Chairman for his services to the same extent and in the same manner in all respects as the Council has, under the provisions of the Principal Ordinance power to remunerate the Mayor.

(2.) Such Deputy Chairman as aforesaid shall, in the absence of the Chairman, be deemed to have had and to have authority to exercise all powers and discharge all duties vested in or imposed upon the Chairman under and by virtue of the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinances; and all things or acts done, exercised, or suffered by the Deputy Chairman as aforesaid shall be as valid and effectual in all respects as if done, exercised, or suffered by the Chairman.

(3.) In the event of the Deputy Chairman holding office for one month or more during the absence of the Chairman he shall be entitled to draw a proportionate part of the remuneration that belongs to the Chairman.

11. Section 2 (7) of the Port-of-Spain Corporation (Temporary Purposes) Ordinance, 1914, is amended by inserting the words "shall not be required to be entitled to be, or in fact to be, enrolled as a Burgess nor to possess the qualifi-

Amendment of Section 2 (7) of No. 25 of 1914.

cations laid down in Section 13 (3 c and d) of the Principal Ordinance or either of them, and" after "Councillor" in line 1 thereof.

Passed in Council this Thirtieth day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

HARRY L. KNAGGS,
Clerk of the Council.
