

respectively, which were conveyed to said city for park purposes by the said Henry M. Faxon by two deeds dated, respectively, March 22, 1919 and December 8, 1922, recorded with Norfolk Deeds Book 1420, page 176 and Book 1541, page 523. Said parcels are shown on a plan by Patrick F. O'Brien, city engineer, entitled "Plan of Faxon Field, Quincy, Mass." dated March 1919 and recorded with said Deeds, Plan Book 95, No. 4641.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city of Quincy during the current year, by vote of its city council and school committee, with the approval of the mayor.

*Approved February 7, 1964.*

**Chap. 43.** AN ACT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT CERTAIN QUESTIONS TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WINTHROP, ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF CERTAIN VOTES RELATIVE TO BOARDS, OFFICERS AND BY-LAWS, AND MAKING SUCH VOTES SUBJECT TO REFERENDUM.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 427 of the acts of 1920 is hereby amended by striking out section 8, as amended by section 7 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1921, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 8.* A vote passed at a representative town meeting authorizing the expenditure of twenty thousand dollars or more as a special appropriation, or establishing a new board or office or abolishing an old board or office or merging two or more boards or offices, or fixing the term of office of town officers, where such term is optional, or increasing or reducing the number of members of a board, or adopting a new by-law, or amending an existing by-law, shall not be operative until after the expiration of five days, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, from the dissolution of such meeting. If, within said five days, a petition, signed by not less than three per cent of the registered voters of the town, containing their names and addresses as they appear on the list of registered voters, is filed with the selectmen asking that the question or questions involved in such a vote be submitted to the registered voters of the town at large, then the selectmen after the expiration of five days, shall forthwith call a special meeting for the sole purpose of presenting to the registered voters at large the question or questions so involved. The polls shall be opened at two o'clock in the afternoon and shall be closed not earlier than eight o'clock in the evening, and all votes upon any question so submitted shall be taken by ballot, and the check list shall be used in the several precinct meetings in the same manner as in the election of town officers. The questions so submitted shall be determined by a majority vote of the registered voters of the town voting thereon, but no action of the representative town meeting shall be reversed unless at least twenty per cent of the registered voters shall so vote. Each question so submitted shall be in the form of the following question, which shall be placed upon the official ballot:— "Shall the town vote to approve the action of the representative town meeting whereby it was voted (brief description of the substance of the vote)?" If such petition is not filed within said period of five days, the vote of

the representative town meeting shall become operative and effective upon the expiration of said period.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the voters of the town of Winthrop at the annual town meeting to be held in the current year in the form of the following question, which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used for the election of town officers at said meeting:— "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled 'An Act increasing the number of registered voters required to submit certain questions to the voters of the town of Winthrop, establishing the effective date of certain votes relative to boards, officers and by-laws, and making such votes subject to referendum', be accepted?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take full effect, but not otherwise.

*Approved February 7, 1964.*

**Chap. 44.** AN ACT PROVIDING TENURE OF OFFICE UNTIL AGE SEVENTY FOR ROBERT H. FOWLER, INCUMBENT OF THE OFFICE OF TOWN TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF BILLERICA.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Robert H. Fowler, incumbent of the office of town treasurer of the town of Billerica, shall hold said office during good behavior until he reaches age seventy, unless incapacitated by physical or mental disability from performing the duties thereof, but he may be removed therefrom for cause after hearing in the manner provided by section forty-three of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the voters of the town of Billerica at the annual town meeting in the current year in the form of the following question, which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used for the election of town officers at said meeting:— "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled 'An Act providing tenure of office until age seventy for Robert H. Fowler, incumbent of the office of town treasurer of the town of Billerica', be accepted?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take full effect, but not otherwise.

*Approved February 7, 1964.*

**Chap. 45.** AN ACT PROVIDING TENURE OF OFFICE UNTIL AGE SEVENTY FOR GEORGE D. ADLER, INCUMBENT OF THE OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. George D. Adler, incumbent of the office of city treasurer of the city of Northampton, shall hold said office during good behavior until he reaches age seventy, unless incapacitated by physical or mental disability from performing the duties thereof, but he may be removed therefrom for cause after hearing in the manner provided by section forty-three of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the voters of the city of Northampton at the biennial state election to be held in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-four in the form of the following question which shall be placed on the official ballot to be used at said elec-