

said requirements. Said sinking fund shall remain inviolate and pledged to the payment and redemption of such bonds, notes or scrip, and shall be used for no other purpose.

SECTION 3. The board of sewerage commissioners of said town on the written request, made within three months after notification of assessment, of any owner of an estate assessed by said commissioners for its proportional part of the charge of making and maintaining such main drains or common sewers, shall apportion such assessment into such number of equal parts or instalments, not exceeding five, as said owner shall state in such request, and said board shall certify such apportionment to the assessors of said town, and one of said parts or instalments, with interest from the date of said apportionment at the rate of five per cent. per annum, shall be added by the assessors to the annual tax on such estates for each year next ensuing until all of said parts have been so added and paid: *provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the payment at any time in one payment of any balance of said assessments then remaining unpaid, notwithstanding such prior apportionment. All liens for the collection of such assessment shall continue until the expiration of two years from the time when the last instalment is added by the assessors and remitted to the collector.

Commissioners to apportion assessments upon written request.

Proviso.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 27, 1894.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RESERVATION OF SPACES IN PUBLIC WAYS.

Chap. 324

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The board or officers authorized to lay out streets, townways or highways in a city or town may, whether any such street or way is laid out under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments or not, reserve between the side lines thereof special space for the use of persons riding on horseback, special space for the use of street railways, whether operated by animal power, electricity or any other motive power except steam, special space for drains and sewers, and electric wires used for any purpose, and special space for trees, grass and for planting.

Special spaces to be reserved in public ways.

When to take effect.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect in any city upon its acceptance by the city council thereof, and in any town upon its acceptance by the inhabitants thereof at any annual or special meeting called for the purpose.

Approved April 27, 1894.

Chap. 325

AN ACT TO REVISE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CHELSEA.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

City of Chelsea.

SECTION 1. The inhabitants of the city of Chelsea, for all purposes for which towns and cities are by law incorporated in this Commonwealth, shall continue to be a body politic and corporate, under the name of the City of Chelsea, and as such shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, immunities, powers and privileges, and be subject to all the duties and obligations pertaining to and incumbent upon the said city as a municipal corporation.

Government vested in mayor and aldermen, etc.

SECTION 2. The government of the city and the general management and control of all the fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs thereof shall be vested in a single officer, to be called the mayor, and in a single body, to be called the board of aldermen, except however that the general management and control of the public schools of the city shall be vested in a school committee. The board of aldermen and school committee shall serve without compensation.

Division into wards.

SECTION 3. The territory of the city shall be divided into five wards so that the wards shall contain, as nearly as may be consistent with well defined limits to each ward, an equal number of voters.

Meetings of qualified voters.

SECTION 4. All meetings of the qualified voters of the city for the purpose of voting at elections and for other municipal or legal purposes shall be called by order of the board of aldermen, which shall be in such form and be served and returned in such manner and at such time as the board of aldermen may by ordinance direct.

Municipal election and municipal year.

SECTION 5. The municipal election shall take place annually on the Tuesday next after the second Monday of December, and the municipal year shall begin at eight o'clock in the evening on the first Monday of January and continue until eight o'clock in the evening on the first Monday of the following January.

Election of mayor, aldermen and school committee.

SECTION 6. At the municipal election the qualified voters shall in the several wards give in their votes by ballot for mayor and for members of the board of alder-