

and regulate the use of same for telegraph, telephone and other poles and wires; (8) to compel the owners of property or tenants to keep the sidewalks clear; (9) to impose a tax or license on, or totally prohibit the running at large of dogs, fowls, hogs and other animals; (10) to authorize the use of the streets for railroads operated by electric, steam or other mechanical motive power, and to regulate the same as to grade and crossings, paving between outside tracks and otherwise; to require and compel all lines of railway in any one street to run on and use one and the same track, and to keep in repair the bridges and crossings through which or over which their cars run; (11) to provide for meeting and defraying the incidental expenses of the town government, including the cost of the bond prescribed for the clerk and treasurer; (12) to prescribe fines, penalties and forfeitures for the violation of their ordinances, including the committal of offenders to the Montgomery county jail until said fines, penalties or forfeitures are paid; provided, that no such fine, penalty or forfeiture shall exceed the sum or value of fifty dollars; and no imprisonment shall exceed the period of thirty days.

1906, ch. 795, sec. 14. 1912, ch. 790, sec. 548.

924. The corporation, by and through its Mayor and Council, may purchase or construct water and electric light plants, or either, as well as a sewerage system and other utilities for the general good, and for such purpose may issue, in such denominations as they may see fit, bonds not to exceed the total sum of ten thousand dollars, said bonds to be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the treasurer, interest on same not to exceed the rate of six per centum per annum; said bonds to be payable 25 years after issuance and redeemable after ten years therefrom at the pleasure of the Mayor and Council; said bonds shall be exempt from municipal, county and State taxation; and the Mayor and Council in making their annual levy of municipal taxes after said bonds are issued shall fix the rate sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund for their redemption; provided, that the question of such purchase, construction or bond issue shall first be submitted to be passed on by the people of Somerset at the regular annual election or a special election held for that purpose after thirty days' public notice by the Council of intention to submit the question to the voters, said notice to be posted in not less than three conspicuous places in the town and published not less than three successive weeks in the official journal of the town, or in a newspaper published in Montgomery county, the first of which said newspaper publications shall not be less than thirty days before said special election. The Mayor or the clerk may, upon authority from the Council, purchase real or personal property exposed for sale for taxes, as herein elsewhere provided for, said purchase to be in the name and for the use of the town; provided, that the sum bid shall not in any case exceed the amount of delinquent taxes, interest, cost and expenses. The town may afterward sell or convey the same if not redeemed as herein elsewhere provided for.