CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF PALMER, TENNESSEE

CHAPTER NO. 318.

House Bill No. 543.

(By Mr. Lee.)

AN ACT entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Palmer, in Grundy County, Tennessee; to provide for the government of said corporation, to confer power on said corporation and to define its rights and powers and its boundaries."

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Priv. Acts 1925, ch. 318, is the current basic charter act for the Town of Palmer, Tennessee. The text of the basic charter act set out herein was last amended to reflect legislation passed in the 2010 session of the Tennessee General Assembly and is current with the laws from the 2023 Regular Session of the 113th Tennessee General Assembly. Sections of the charter which have been amended contain at the end of those sections the citation to the official private act or acts constituting the amendment or amendments. No other changes have been made to the charter except the addition of a table of contents to facilitate its use. A list of all the private acts including the basic charter appears at the end of the charter.

Acts which did not expressly or in effect amend any particular section or part of the basic charter, but which supplemented it, have been placed after the basic charter act as "Related Private Acts."

Acts of a temporary nature with no general or continuing application, such as bond authorization and validation acts have not been included in this compilation.
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SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the territory and the inhabitants thereof within the boundary hereinafter set out are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Town of Palmer.

In said name, the said corporation shall have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, may contract and be contracted with and may acquire and hold property, real, personal and mixed, and dispose of and convey the same.

SECTION 2. Be it further enacted, That the Town of Palmer, in the Second Civil District of Grundy County, Tennessee, be and the same is bounded as follows:

"Beginning at a TVA Marker BM-MLB-19, said beginning corner being on the west side of Highway 108, and about 25 feet north of the TVA power line, running thence in a northeasterly direction with the TVA power line to a TVA marker BM-HMC-No. 47, thence running in a southwesterly direction to a house known as the old Joe Tate place, thence running in a southwesterly direction to the TVA marker BM-MLB No. 105 on the east side of Highway No. 108; thence running northwesterly to the northwest corner of the Spray Pond at the Palmer mines; thence running northwesterly to the TVA power line where the power line crosses Lick Creek; thence running with the TVA power line to the point of beginning." [As replaced by Priv. Acts 1955, ch. 314, § 1]
SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, that the government of the city shall be vested in a board of mayor and three (3) aldermen, provided that at the next election prescribed in Section 5 of this charter the government of the city shall be vested in a board of mayor and four (4) aldermen to be chosen by the voters residing within the corporate limits of the city who are qualified to vote in any general, state or county election, according to the method and schedule outlined in Section 5 of this charter. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1955, ch. 314, § 2, and replaced by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 1]

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That the first officers of the Town of Palmer shall consist of the following parties, to-wit: C. W. Hembree, Mayor, and Henry Hampton, J. H. Barker, J. C. Harris, Aldermen; and that they hold their respective offices as above set out and be vested with all the powers and duties as if they were selected at a regular election called and held for that purpose, until the first Saturday in May, 1925, and until their successors are elected and qualified. In case any vacancy in the office of Mayor and Aldermen should at any time occur, either in the present officers as herein designated, or their successors in office, said vacancy shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board, which shall be known as the "Board of Mayor and Aldermen," a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A vacancy may be declared by the board of mayor and aldermen should any member of the board of mayor and aldermen not continue to reside within the corporate limits of the city. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 2]

SEC. 5. (a) On the first Tuesday in November 2010, and every two (2) years thereafter, the Grundy County Election Commission shall conduct a municipal election in the Town of Palmer.

(b) At the November 2010 municipal election:

(1) A Mayor shall be elected for a four-year term of office;

(2) The two (2) aldermen receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected for four-year terms of office; and

(3) The remaining two (2) aldermen shall be elected for two-year terms of office.

(c) For all municipal elections subsequent to the 2010 municipal election, the mayor and aldermen shall be elected for four-year terms of office. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1986, ch. 129, §§ 1 and 2; and Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 3; and replaced by Priv. Acts 2006, ch. 109, § 1, and Priv. Acts 2010, ch. 38, § 1]
Sec. 6. Be it further enacted. That only freeholders who are qualified voters, tax payers, and actual residents of the Town of Palmer, Tennessee, over 21 years of age, with a minimum education of a High School Diploma, or a G.E.D., shall be eligible to the office of Mayor or Aldermen of the said Town of Palmer, at any election to be hereafter held for said purposes. [As replaced by Priv. Acts 1999, ch. 33, § 1]

Sec. 7. Be it further enacted, That said Mayor and said Aldermen shall, before assuming the duties of their respective offices, take an oath before some person authorized to administer oaths to impartially and faithfully perform the duties of their respective offices, said oaths to be filed with the Recorder, hereinafter provided for.

Sec. 8. Be it further enacted, That said Mayor and said Aldermen shall meet as soon as practicable after the passage of this Act and organize and shall elect a Recorder, who shall have the same qualifications as that of Mayor, with the additional qualification that the recorder shall not be related by marriage or kinship to any member of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen; and who shall also act as Treasurer; a Marshal and such deputies and assistants as they may deem necessary, who shall hold their offices for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified; provided, however, that, in their discretion, they may elect a Marshal, deputies or assistants, not actual residents of the town, and provided, further, that if said officers are not elected at the first meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen they may be elected at a subsequent meeting. The term of office of said Recorder, Marshal, assistants, deputies or other officers elected by said Board shall be one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1986, ch. 129 § 3; and Priv. Acts 1996, ch. 139, § 1]

Sec. 9. Be it further enacted, That before assuming the duties of their respective offices said Recorder and said Marshal and his assistants and deputies shall subscribe to an oath before some person authorized by law to administer oaths to faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of their respective offices, and that they execute bond in such sum as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may require, which bond is to be approved by the Mayor. Said oaths of office and official bonds are to be filed with the Recorder and will become a part of the official records of said incorporation. Said bonds will be conditioned to properly account for all money or property that might come into their respective hands in their official capacity.

Sec. 10. Be it further enacted, That said Mayor and Aldermen, under the style of "Board of Mayor and Aldermen," shall constitute the legislative body of said corporation; they shall meet once every three (3) months, and oftener if they deem it necessary and shall have power to pass all ordinances and resolutions and to make all orders that are necessary to carry out the objects of this charter;
and it will not be necessary for an ordinance or resolution to pass more than one meeting or reading, but before any ordinance or resolution shall become effective, it shall be read in an open meeting of said Board of Mayor and Aldermen and shall be signed and approved by the Mayor on or before the next regular meeting of Board; provided, however, said Mayor may veto any such ordinance or resolution. In case the Mayor shall refuse to approve any ordinance or resolution passed by the Aldermen, he shall return same to the next regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, with his reasons stated in writing for his refusal, and said ordinance or resolution shall not be binding unless and until said Board, by the affirmative vote of three (3) members shall pass the same, the Mayor's veto notwithstanding. Said Board of Mayor and Aldermen will designate its regular meeting times by ordinance to be duly recorded. The failure of said Board to meet at any regular meeting will not, however, make said charter of incorporation invalid. The Board may establish by-laws for its use; said by-laws may compel the attendance of Board members at Board meetings in such manner and under such penalties as the Board may provide. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1974, ch. 242, § 1; and Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 4]

Sec. 11. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Mayor to preside at all meetings of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, to vote on all questions coming before said Board in case of a tie vote. He shall make such recommendations as he deems for the best interest for the town and shall have power to call special meetings of said Board when he thinks same is necessary and shall have power to fill all vacancies in any offices until the same is filled by the Board as a whole. He shall see that all town ordinances, resolutions, and orders are enforced, observed and respected, and, in case of emergency he shall have power to appoint special Marshals, deputies and assistants, and the Board may, by proper ordinance, prescribe penalties for a failure to obey such a call.

The board of mayor and aldermen shall elect from its membership a vice-mayor. In case of absence, sickness, or other disability of the mayor, the vice mayor shall assume the position of mayor and have the same powers and duties as given the mayor until such time as the mayor may resume his duties. [As ammended by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 5]

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1Priv. Acts 1974, ch. 242, § 1 does not specify which section of Priv. Acts of 1925, ch. 318 to amend. Section 1 states:
"Chapter 318 of the Private Acts of 1925 is amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

The compiler has made the amendments here in section 10 because it appears this is the section that was meant to be amended."
Sec. 12. Be it further enacted, That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall have the right and power by ordinance or resolution within the corporate limits of said town;

(1) To levy and collect taxes upon all real, personal and mixed property, polls and privileges taxable by the laws of the State of Tennessee;

(2) To appropriate money and to provide for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the city, and when necessary to borrow money to carry on the business of the incorporated city;

(3) To regulate the speed of automobiles within the corporate limits;

(4) To license, tax and regulate everything, person, business, and corporation licensed, taxed, and regulated by the laws of the State of Tennessee;

(5) To open, establish, extend, widen, alter, abolish, and discontinue any street or alley, and to grade, pave and otherwise improve the same; and to establish, maintain, and keep in repair culverts, sewers, gutters, or to alter, change, abolish, and discontinue the use of the same;

(6) To provide for and regulate the construction or repairing of sidewalks and foot pavements;

(7) To provide a suitable place for holding all town elections within the corporate limits;

(8) To suppress and prohibit all disorderly houses, bawdy houses, or houses of ill fame; and to suppress all immoral exhibitions within the corporate limits;

(9) To prohibit gambling, gambling houses, saloons, and the illicit sale of intoxicating liquor;

(10) To prohibit the giving, selling, procuring for or delivering to any student of any school within the corporate limits of said town any intoxicating liquor; to prohibit the carrying of such liquor upon the lands of any institution of learning within said corporate limits;

(11) To make and enforce all necessary regulations and ordinances to secure the health, safety, peace and comfort of the inhabitants of the town; to prevent the introduction or spread of any contagious disease within the corporate limits, and to make quarantine laws for this purpose;
(12) To provide for the erection of a calaboose and all other buildings that may be necessary for the use of the town;

(13) To provide for the prevention and extinguishment of fire; organize, regulate and establish fire companies; to regulate the building of any wooden building or buildings regarded as dangerous in causing fire;

(14) To remove, and prevent filth in the town and all encroachments into and obstructions upon all streets, alleys, lanes, sidewalks, and pavements, and to provide for the cleaning of the same;

(15) To regulate or prohibit, within said corporate limits, the sale or discharge of fire arms, firecrackers, roman candles, skyrockets, torpedoes or other similar explosives;

(16) To regulate the police of the town; to impose fines, forfeitures, and penalties for the breach of any ordinance and to provide for the recovery of the same and to enforce the same.

(17) To provide for the arrest and confinement until trial of all disorderly, riotous, or drunken persons by day or by night;

(18) To prevent and punish by pecuniary penalty all violations of municipal ordinances within the city, except that the penalty shall not exceed fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense.

(19) To prevent and remove any nuisance;

(20) To pass any other ordinances that would better provide for the assessment, equalization and collection of taxes upon any property of any kind within the corporate limits; that would better preserve the peace, order, health, happiness and quietude of the town and contribute to its general welfare, so far as they think proper, so long as such ordinance or ordinances do not conflict with the laws or constitution of the State of Tennessee or the United States Government;

(21) To authorize the Mayor, in addition to his other duties as herein provided, to issue warrants upon the Recorder for the payment of any money that may be due from the corporation, but no such warrant or warrants will be issued until ordered by the affirmative vote of at least two members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1974, ch. 242 § 2 and Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, §§ 6 and 7]

Sec. 13. Be it further enacted, That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall, in passing of all ordinances, observe the following:
Said ordinances shall be read in full at a regular or specially called meeting of the Board and shall be passed by the affirmative vote of at least three (3) members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Said ordinances shall be approved in writing by the Mayor on or before the next regular meeting of the Board, or, in case of his veto as hereinbefore provided, passed again by the affirmative vote of at least three (3) members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Ordinances shall be divided, when necessary, into appropriate sections, shall be brief, but intelligent in form and substance. All ordinances, after final passage, shall be recorded in full in a well-bound book and a certified copy thereof attested by the Recorder shall be received in the Courts of the State as competent evidence of the provisions thereof. In case the Mayor fails or refuses to approve or veto any ordinance by the next regular meeting of the Board, such ordinance shall become effective at once by the affirmative vote of three Aldermen. The Recorder is required to record all ordinances as soon after passage as can be conveniently done. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1974, ch. 242, § 3, and Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 8]

Sec. 14. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Recorder to try all cases for the violation of any and all ordinances of the corporation, and all offenses against the peace and dignity of the town, and he is also hereby vested with all the powers of a Justice of the Peace in the trial of criminal cases. He may issue warrants and summons for offenders and witnesses and may fine and commit, either or both, for contempt the same as Justices of the Peace may now do. In case any accused party is related to the Recorder within the degree that would disqualify a Justice of the Peace, or in case where any party makes oath, supported to the oath of another disinterested party, that he cannot get justice before the Recorder, all such cases will be moved before and tried by the Mayor under the same rules and regulations as if the Recorder was trying the case. In case both are disqualified, the Aldermen will select one of their number to try such cases and such Aldermen so selected shall be vested with the same power and authority as the Recorder. In case an appeal is asked it shall be granted, from the decision of the official trying the case, to the next term of the Circuit Court of Grundy County, Tennessee, upon the execution of an appearance bond, in the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, payable to the State of Tennessee, for the use and benefit of said corporation. In all cases tried before the said Recorder or those acting in his place, where the facts, in the opinion of the officials trying the case, justify, the defendant or defendants, in addition to the fine and workhouse sentence or imprisonment imposed, may be bound over to the next term of Circuit Court of Grundy County, or may be bound over without the imposition of any fine, workhouse sentence or imprisonment by the town authorities. Said bound-over cases shall have the same force and effect as if bound over by some acting Justice of the Peace in and for Grundy County, Tennessee.
Sec. 15. Be it further enacted, That the Recorder of said corporation shall record all ordinances, resolutions and orders passed by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in a well-bound book or books; shall keep an accurate and correct minute of all the proceedings of said Board; issue all privilege license, and collect taxes on same; he shall collect all ad valorem privilege and special taxes levied by said Board and keep a proper ledger of the same. It shall be the duty of said Recorder to make out the town tax book and turn the same over to the Town Marshal for collection, taking his receipt therefor. In making out said tax book for said corporation, the said Recorder will take the same from the Assessor's books in the County Court Clerk's office after the County and State Boards of Equalization have finally acted upon assessment, or from the tax duplicate in the County Court Clerk's office, provided same is made out in time. Said Recorder will give the same description and valuation as is set out in said Assessor's book, as changed or altered, if at all, by the action of said Equalization Boards, provided, however, he may correct or supply any description that will more correctly identify the property. This shall be full authority to said County Court Clerk to turn over said book or books to said Recorder for the purpose of copying said assessments.

It is made the duty of said Clerk to furnish said Recorder an opportunity to copy such assessment, under such circumstances as will provide for the copying of said assessment and protect the Clerk in the safe keeping of the books. If any property on said Assessor's book or the tax duplicate lies partly within and partly without the corporate limits of said town, said Recorder shall so assess the same as to give a fair, equitable, cash valuation of that portion within the corporate limits.

If any property, real, personal, or mixed, within said corporate limits, has escaped assessment, it shall be the duty of said Recorder to assess the same. However, said Board of Mayor and Aldermen may change or correct the assessment made out by said Recorder upon the basis of the State and county assessment, as finally passed upon by said Board of Equalization. Said Recorder, when said assessment list is completed, shall make oath that it is a true and correct copy of the assessment as shown by said Assessor's book or the tax duplicate, as the case may be, except as to property partly within and partly without the corporate limits, changes in description and omitted property, and that in such instances he has assessed same equitably with other property for municipal purposes to the best of his skill and ability.

Said Recorder shall also act as Town Treasurer and shall keep a true, full and complete record of all moneys coming into his hands as Recorder, in a ledger, and pay same out upon the order of the Mayor's warrant, upon approval of the Aldermen, all of which shall be entered upon said ledger. He shall have the care, custody and keeping of all records and property of said corporation. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by ordinance of the
Sec. 16. Be it further enacted, That the Marshal of the town shall thoroughly acquaint himself with the by-laws, regulations and ordinances of the town. He shall rigidly enforce the same, for which purpose full police power is hereby given him, which he may promptly exercise, without warrant in hand, for all offenses committed in his presence, and, when necessary, he shall have the right and power to call to his assistance any male citizen of the town, twenty-one years of age, or, if necessary, more than one, to assist him in making arrests and enforcing the town ordinances. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen may make regulations covering this right and power and may impose a penalty upon any one refusing to obey calls, under their regulations. He shall collect all taxes, except privilege taxes, and these when distress warrants are placed in his hands by the Recorder for the collection of distress taxes. All taxes collected by the Marshal shall be by him turned over to the Recorder, taking his receipt therefor, he being required to report at the end of each month all taxes collected by him during that month. He will collect all fines and costs, upon an execution being issued therefor by the Recorder, who is hereby given the additional right and power to issue all distress warrants, executions for fines and costs and to turn same over to the Marshal, all of which shall have the same force as if issued by a County Court Clerk or a Justice of the Peace.

He shall have charge of the town calaboose and shall be allowed such compensation for keeping prisoners by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. When a prisoner is arrested or committed to him, he shall take charge of him and keep him safely until he is tried, and, if fined and the judgment shall so direct, shall work said prisoner upon the streets of the town or otherwise work him for the benefit of the corporation, as his age, health, etc., will permit; provided, however, said Marshal shall receive such additional compensation for working such prisoner as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may prescribe.

He shall perform such other duties as are herein prescribed or that may be imposed upon him by ordinance of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 17. Be it further enacted, That all taxes of every kind and character be due and payable on the first day of October of the year for which assessed. If said taxes are not paid by the first of December of that year five percent penalty shall be added and 1 ½ percent penalty and interest shall be added for

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each remaining month until the taxes are paid. On the first day of the following January, the Marshal shall report all unpaid taxes to the Recorder, who will make out a list of delinquent tax payers and turn same over to the Town Marshal, which list shall have the same force and effect as an execution at law; provided, however, no property, other than allowed by State Law, shall exempt in the collection of poll taxes from delinquent poll tax payers. The same fees shall be allowed the Town Marshal for collecting delinquent taxes as are not allowed by law for collecting delinquent State and county taxes. For collecting taxes not delinquent the Town Marshal shall be allowed the same fees as the County Trustees are now allowed by law. The said Town Marshal shall have power and authority to seize, advertise and sell personal property upon said delinquent list the same as a Sheriff or Constable would if he had an execution in his hands.

All delinquents on said list shall be reported to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on the first day of the next March. Said Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall have power and authority to employ counsel to file bills to collect the delinquent taxes on real estate and the same procedure may be followed as is now prescribed for the collection of delinquent State and county taxes on real estate. No sales of real or personal property shall be invalid on account of any regularities in the assessment of the property or for any other reason or reasons except that there is no description to identify the lands or that the taxes thereon has been paid.

In making out said delinquent lists, the Town Marshal and Recorder shall make oath that same is true, and correct to the best of their knowledge, information and belief. It is provided that suits may be filed for collecting taxes on delinquent realty after the first day of March, without waiting until the State proceeds to collect such delinquent taxes due it. The said delinquent lists herein referred to shall have the same force and effect as a judgment at law and an execution issued thereon and shall be full and ample authority for said Town Marshal to proceed as if he held such execution. Said delinquent list shall also be ample authority for the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to proceed, by counsel, with the filing of a bill or bills, to collect taxes on delinquent realty. On all special, privilege and ad valorem taxes, the Recorder shall have the same powers as a County Court Clerk now has in the collection of such taxes due the State and county, and receive the same fees. [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 18. Be it further enacted, That the basis upon which property shall be taxed and the taxes collected by the Town of Palmer shall be the same, in substance, as provided by the general laws of the State, except as herein specifically set out. [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]
Sec. 19. Be it further enacted, That all municipal taxes upon real estate in the Town of Palmer, are hereby declared to be a lien on said property from and after the 10th day of January of the year for which the same was assessed, subject alone to the lien of the State of Tennessee and County of Grundy for taxes legally assessed thereon.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 20. Be it further enacted, That said Board of Mayor and Aldermen may by proper ordinances pass such other provisions as will more effectively provide for the assessment and collection of municipal taxes within said corporate limits.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 21. Be it further enacted, That in reporting delinquent lists as herein provided, it shall be the duty of the official reporting the list to show why the taxes have not been paid.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 22. Be it further enacted, That in the absence of the Recorder, or in cases of disabilities, the Mayor shall perform all the duties of said Recorder and he is hereby given the same power and authority in such cases as are generally granted herein to the Recorder.  In the event such absence or disability be of a permanent nature, the board of mayor and aldermen shall elect a new recorder at its earliest convenience.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9, and amended by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 10]

Sec. 23. Be it further enacted, That this Act shall in no wise interfere with the State and county road and school laws, further than as herein expressly provided.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 24. Be it further enacted, That if any Section or Sections or part of any Section or Sections of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional, this shall not affect the remainder of this Act, but as to the remainder of this Act, same shall be declared constitutional and valid for all purposes herein enumerated.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 25. Be it further enacted, That said Board of Mayor and Aldermen may pass such other ordinances as will more clearly set out the method and procedure of the assessment and collection of municipal taxes and such ordinances when regularly passed shall have the same force and effect as if passed by legislative enactment.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 26. Be it further enacted, That said Mayor and Aldermen shall serve without compensation and that they may fix the compensation of the Recorder and Town Marshal as well as compensation for any extra Marshal, provided one is selected.  [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]
Sec. 27. Be it further enacted, That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed. [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Sec. 28. Be it further enacted, That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. [As renumbered by Priv. Acts 1990, ch. 166, § 9]

Passed March 24, 1925.

W.F. BARRY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

L.D. HILL,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved April 2, 1925.

AUSTIN PEAY,
Governor.
RELATED PRIVATE ACTS

Priv. Acts 1947, ch. 489
"Gasoline Tax" ................................................. C-15
CHAPTER NO. 489

HOUSE BILL NO. 764

(By Bryant of Sequatchie)

AN ACT to apportion the Two Cent Gasoline Tax received by Grundy County from the State of Tennessee so as to provide that one-twelfth of said fund shall be set apart for the year 1947 and for each year thereafter and paid to the governing bodies of the incorporated municipalities of Tracy City, Palmer and Altamont, and to provide for the use of the said one-twelfth of the said Gasoline Tax Fund in the said municipalities of Tracy City, Palmer and Altamont.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That out of the Two Cent Gasoline Tax Fund now received by Grundy County from the State of Tennessee that one-twelfth of the said Fund paid to the Trustee of the said County for the year 1947 shall be paid by the said Trustee to the Governing Bodies of the Towns of Tracy City, Palmer and Altamont, on the following basis of apportionment, to-wit: Tracy City, Seventy-Five (75%) percent of the said one-twelfth; Palmer, Fifteen (15%) percent of the said one-twelfth; and Altamont, Ten (10%) percent of the said one-twelfth.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That for the year 1947 and each year thereafter the Trustee of the County will take as a basis of arriving at the one-twelfth of the said Gasoline Tax Fund going to the said Municipalities the sum received from the State by the said County for the preceding year and shall set upon the books of the Trustee's Office one-twelfth of the said sum for the year 1947 and for each year thereafter, and shall pay the same as herein provided, to the said Governing Bodies of the Municipalities of Tracy City, Palmer and Altamont.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That the Governing Bodies of the said Municipalities shall each year lay out and designate the streets, roads and bridges within the said Municipalities where said fund shall be expended and the Governing Bodies of the said Municipalities will cause to be made a record of all funds received under the provisions of this Act and the same shall be opened to inspection by any party interested.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That the Trustee of Grundy County will make the division of this Fund as herein provided and shall pay the same to the Municipalities on or before the 1st day of June of each year, and the first payment under the provisions of this Act shall be made on or before the 1st day of June, 1947.
Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: February 27, 1947.

W. B. LEWALLEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

GEORGE O. BENTON,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved: March 6, 1947.

JIM McCORD,
Governor.
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