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Private Acts of 1833 Chapter 125

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Whereas, it is represented to this General Assembly, that a majority of the citizens of Humphreys County are desirous to locate their county seat at some other and more healthy situation than where it now is: For remedy whereof,

SECTION 1. That the sheriff of Humphreys county is hereby directed to open and hold an election at all the precincts in the county of Humphreys, on the first Monday in March next, for the purpose of receiving votes for or against the removal of the county seat of said county; and the sheriff aforesaid, is hereby required to do and perform all things necessary to carry said election into effect and operation, in the same way that is prescribed now by law for carrying on elections.

SECTION 2. That the present county seat shall be put in nomination, and an eligible situation in the vicinity of Kirkman's ferry; and if a majority of the citizens of said county shall vote for the removal of the county seat, from the place where it is now located, Mitchell Childreas, Isaac Lucas, Edmund F. Wells, Solomon Copeland, James S. Sayle and Allen Box, shall, and they are hereby, appointed commissioners for the purpose of laying off a town, at the place where a majority of the citizens aforesaid shall designate, or in the opinion of the commissioners (a majority acting) shall be best for the interest of the county.

SECTION 3. That so soon as it shall appear that a majority of the citizens of said county are in favor of moving the county seat, it shall be the duty of the commissioners to designate the place for said town, and proceed immediately to lay off said town, on the lands of any individual they can make the best contract with for the situation of said town; and the commissioners aforesaid, are hereby empowered with all the rights and privileges that the commissioners of Reynoldsburgh were originally empowered with, and shall have the same powers of suing and being sued, contracting and being contracted with, to sell and dispose of all the present public buildings and public square, to lay off said town, under the same rules, regulations and size that Reynoldsburgh is now incorporated under, and possess the same power of contracting for public buildings, and do and perform all things necessary to sell and dispose of the lots and perfect titles to the same, in as full and ample a manner as any other commissioners in laying off county towns are entitled to.

SECTION 4. That if the county seat of said county shall be moved as contemplated by this act, from and after the first day of June next, the place so designated by the commissioners, shall be, and is hereby, known as the county seat of Humphreys County, and shall be called Waverly. All writs, process, and other legal proceedings, shall be returned at said town, from and after the first day of June next; and all courts now holden for said county at Reynoldsburgh, shall, from and after the first day of June next, be held at Waverly, at the same time that is now prescribed for holding courts in said county.

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