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North Kennebunkport – April 1, 1915

Chapter 191

**An Act to Divide the Town of Kennebunkport
and Incorporate the Town of North Kennebunkport**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. All that part of the town of Kennebunkport, in York County, excepting the town farm, lying northerly of the following described line, namely: Beginning at the town line between the town of Kennebunk and Kennebunkport at the middle of Goffe's creek, so-called; thence by said middle line of said Goffe's creek to the northerly bound of the highway leading from Kennebunk landing to Kennebunkport town house at Durrell's bridge; thence by said northerly line of said road to the junction of said road with the road leading from Kennebunkport village to Biddeford, at a point on the southerly side of the present right of way of the Atlantic Shore Railway, and thence by said southerly side of said present line of said railway to the town line between Kennebunkport and Biddeford, together with the inhabitants thereof, is hereby set off from the town of Kennebunkport and incorporated into a separate town by the name of North Kennebunkport; and said town of North Kennebunkport is hereby invested with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and obligations incident to other towns of the State.

Section 2. The several inhabitants of the town of North Kennebunkport shall be holden to pay all taxes which have been legally assessed upon them by the town of Kennebunkport and the

collectors of taxes of said town of Kennebunkport are hereby authorized and required to collect and pay all taxes to them already committed according to their respective warrants. All moneys now in the treasury of said town of Kennebunkport, and all sums which shall hereafter be received from taxes heretofore assessed, shall be applied to the several purposes for which they were raised, and in case of any excess, said excess shall be apportioned to the towns of Kennebunkport and North Kennebunkport in proportion to the valuation of the property and polls as made April first, nineteen hundred fourteen, and the treasurer of the town of Kennebunkport shall pay over to the treasurer of North Kennebunkport such sums as may be found due said town of North Kennebunkport. The county commissioners of York county shall make the apportionment.

Section 3. The existing liabilities and obligations of the town of Kennebunkport shall be divided as follows: The town debt shall be borne by said town in proportion to the valuation of their respective territories as of April, nineteen hundred fourteen. All paupers now supported by the aid of the town of Kennebunkport shall, after division, be maintained and supported by the town in which territory they resided when they became paupers, including the paupers now supported on the town farm and Maine Insane Hospital. Each town shall henceforth bear all expenses for the care and maintenance of all roads and bridges within its respective limits.

Section 4. All the property, real and personal, of the town of Kennebunkport, shall be the property of the town in which it is now located. It shall be appraised by the county commissioners of York county and each town shall be charged with the appraised value thereof. The difference between the appraisal of the property taken by each town shall be paid by the town taking the larger amount and it shall be divided between the two towns in proportion to the valuation of their respective territories, as taken by the assessors in April, nineteen hundred fourteen. The books, papers and records of the town of Kennebunkport shall be retained by the town of Kennebunkport, and each town shall have access to the same.

Section 5. Any justice of the peace or notary public in said county of York may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the town of North Kennebunkport, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at a time and place specified in said warrant, giving at least

seven days' notice thereof, for the choice of town officers, and to transact such business as towns are authorized to do.

Section 6. Until the next legislative apportionment of representatives the town of North Kennebunkport shall be classed with Kennebunkport and Old Orchard.

Approved April 1, 1915.

Recorded according to Chapter 191 of the Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine as passed by the Seventy-Seventh Legislature of 1915.

Arundel – September 9, 1957

Flyer that was distributed prior to the September vote!

Why we should change to A R U N D E L

1. It would give our community a name of its own.
2. The historical value of the name would in itself be an incentive for present and potential business.
3. ARUNDEL has 7 letters; NORTH KENNEBUNKPORT has 18 letters.
4. It would be easier for out of town people, to locate our community.
5. It would eliminate confusion of Vital Statistics with adjoining towns.
6. It would assist Postal Department in Delivery of Mail.
7. A very large majority of our voters have endorsed in writing this action.
8. The Legislative Committee on Towns and Counties have highly endorsed this project. And the 98th Legislature voted for it favorably.
9. It was endorsed by our State Representative and Senators.
10. It is now UP TO YOU! Only you can place the final endorsement on this Bill by getting the votes out MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 1957.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

THE ARUNDEL COMMITTEE