ACTS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

OF THE

Territory of Florida,

PASSED AT ITS SIXTEENTH SESSION,

COMMENCING MONDAY JANUARY 1ST, AND ENDING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11TH, 1838.

WITH ALSO

THE RESOLUTIONS

OF A

PUBLIC OR GENERAL CHARACTER

ADOPTED BY THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

By Authority.

TALLAHASSEE:

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the inspections of the city ordinances, and adjudge fines and penalties for the same.

Powers of the council.

Sec. 8. Be it further enacted, That the common council of said city shall have power and authority to prevent and remove nuisances; to regulate and establish streets, squares, and fences in said city; to establish and regulate markets, and provide for the safe keeping of standard weights and measures; to provide safe storage of gun-powder, and to encourage efficient fire companies; to regulate and fix the assize of bread; to prohibit all sorts of gambling; to license, tax or restrain billiard tables, nine or ten pin alleys, and other public games, shows, or amusements; to license, tax, or restrain keepers of bars, grog shops, and retailers of spirituous liquors; tax hawkers, pedlars, and transient traders, retailers of dry goods, commission merchants, and auctioneers; to appoint and license weighers, guagers, and measures; to appoint and regulate patrols, and to punish or remove vagrants; to establish quarantine regulations for the preservation of the health of said city (not incompatable with the laws of the Territory); to tax pleasure carriages, and carts and drays; to tax slaves resident in said city; to tax sales at auction, not exceeding one per cent. on the amount thereof; to tax real estate, not exceeding one-fourth of one per cent, on the cash valuation thereof, to be estimated by appraisers under oath; to assess and collect a poll tax, not exceeding one dollar on every white male over twenty-one years of age, and not exceeding two dollars on every free coloured male over twenty-one years, resident in said city; to tax, restrain, or destroy all dogs, hogs, or goats roaming at large in said city. The said council shall have power to pass all ordinance and laws necessary and proper to carry the powers and provisions of this act into effect, and to provide for the internal police, peace, and good order of said city; to establish by-laws for the proper transaction of business, and to compel the attendance of members. It shall have and exercise a general control over the public cementries and burying grounds, used by the inhabitants of said city.

Taxes how collected.

Sec. 9. Be it further enacted, That all taxes shall be assessed annually for the said city, and taxes once assessed shall be considered as a debt due said city, and may be collected as such at any time within five years. It shall be the duty of the common council at least once a year, to publish an account current, showing the whole amount of taxes collected, and the whole amount of expenditures for the year preceding.

Ordinances to be published.

Sec. 10. Be it further enacted, That all laws and ordinances of the said common council shall be signed by the mayor and clerk, and published in a newspaper, or posted up at three