An ordinance providing for the levy and collection of a street poll tax in and for the Town of Kent.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KENT:

Section 1. There is and shall be imposed upon each and every male inhabitant of the Town of Kent, between the ages of twenty one and fifty years an annual street poll tax of four dollars each, which poll tax shall fall due on the first day of May of each year and shall be collected by the marshal of the said town in the manner in this ordinance prescribed on or before the first day of December of such year.

Section 2. Between the first day of May and the first day of December of each year the marshal of the said town shall demand from each and every person liable for street poll tax under section 1 of this ordinance, payment of such sum as may be due from him, and if any such person fail or refuse to pay such street poll tax when demand is so made upon him for the payment thereof, then the marshal shall ascertain if such person is the owner of property exempt from execution, sufficient to satisfy the said poll tax and the costs of suit and sale, and if he finds that such person is the owner of sufficient property to satisfy the said poll tax and costs of suit and sale, he shall proceed to bring an action in the name of the Town of Kent against the said person for the collection of such street poll tax, before a justice of the peace of competent jurisdiction.

And in the prosecution of such action the said marshal shall have right and authority to garnish or attach as in ordinary civil actions.

Provided, that nothing in this section contained shall be construed to prohibit the working of the streets by any person owing street poll tax, as provided by law for the payment of the same.

Section 3. If any person owing street poll tax in the town of Kent shall elect to perform work upon the streets in payment of the same he shall notify the marshal of his election so to do at the time when demand is made upon him by the said marshal for the payment of such poll tax, and the marshal shall thereupon or thereafter give notice to such person at least three days in advance, of the time and place where and
when he will be required to perform such work upon the streets of the said town. If such person fail or refuse to appear at the time and place and perform the work required of him upon the streets of the said town as directed by the marshal, then the marshal shall proceed to collect the said poll tax by suit as provided in section 2 of this ordinance.

Section 4. Whenever any person shall pay to the said marshal either in money or in labor, the poll tax due from such person, the marshal shall give him a receipt therefor, stating the manner of payment, and shall retain a duplicate of such receipt; and on the last day of each month the marshal shall render to the clerk of the town a statement of all poll tax collected for the preceding month, and shall turn in to the clerk all moneys collected and all duplicates of receipts issued and shall take the receipt of the said clerk for such statement, moneys and duplicate receipts.

Section 5. The sum of two dollars per day for a man and four dollars per day for a man and team shall be allowed for work, when applied upon the street poll tax provided for in this ordinance.

Section 6. The receipts used by the marshal shall be of a different color from the duplicates retained by him, and the original receipt and the duplicates shall be in pads or books, and shall be placed in such pads or books so that the original and duplicate shall alternate, and in writing the original receipt a carbon paper shall be placed between the original and the duplicate so as to make the duplicate a carbon copy of the original. In writing receipts an indelible pencil shall be used.

Section 7. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed Feb. 6th, 1905

Attest: C. C. Holmes
Town Clerk.

[Signatures]
Mayor.