

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 262
HOUSE BILL 885

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF AHOSKIE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Charter of the Town of Ahoskie, being Chapter 609, Session Laws of 1963, is amended by rewriting Sections 9.4 and 9.5 to read:

"Sec. 9.4. **Assessment for Sidewalk Improvements; Petition Unnecessary.** In addition to any authority granted by general law, the Board is hereby authorized, without the necessity of petition, to order sidewalk improvements or repairs according to standards and specifications of the Town, and to assess the total costs thereof against abutting property, according to one or more of the assessment bases set forth in Article 10 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes; provided that regardless of the assessment basis or bases employed, the Board may order the costs of sidewalk improvements made only on one side of a street to be assessed against property abutting both sides of such street.

"Sec. 9.5. **Procedure; Effect of Assessments.** In ordering street and sidewalk improvements without a petition and assessing the costs thereof under authority of this Article, the Board shall comply with the procedures required by Article 10 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, except those provisions relating to petitions of property owners and sufficiency thereof. The effect of the act of levying assessments under authority of this Article shall be the same as if assessments were levied under authority of Article 10 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.

Sec. 2. The Charter of the Town of Ahoskie is further amended by adding a new section to read:

"Sec. 16.3. **Acceptance of Conveyance of Real Property for Liens.** Despite G.S. 105-357 (a) and other provisions of law, the Board, by resolution, may accept conveyance of real property on which the Town has a lien, in full or partial satisfaction of the tax, special assessment, or other charge or liability underlying the lien, including the expense of transferring title to the Town. The resolution shall order the lien cancelled of record, or reduced to the extent the liability underlying the lien is satisfied. Acceptance of conveyance by the Town does not affect a lien on the property held by a person or entity other than the Town. Property conveyed to the Town under this section may be disposed of subsequently by the Town under any of the methods provided in Article 12 of G.S. Chapter 160A, including private sale under G.S. 160A-267."

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 2nd day of June, 1987.