

Effective January 1, 2011

ARTICLE I
Grant of Powers to the City

1.01 - Incorporation.

The people of the territory comprised within the limits of the City of Ellsworth, as now or may be hereafter established by law, are now and will continue to be a body politic organized as a municipal corporation under the name of the City of Ellsworth and as such have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, appoint attorneys, contract and be contracted with and adopt a seal.

1.02 - Public Proceedings.

The government established under this Charter is the agent and servant of the citizens of Ellsworth and its proceedings and transactions and records thereof will be open to the public in accordance with the Freedom of Access law.

1.03 - Powers Generally.

The City of Ellsworth is hereby specifically conferred all of the powers set forth in the Maine Revised Statutes, including home rule authority, and all other powers, privileges, rights, immunities and franchises pertinent to the conduct of a city government which are now or may be conferred upon or delegated to cities or municipal corporations under the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine to have, exercise and enjoy, subject to the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine, and may enact by-laws, ordinances and regulations for municipal purposes, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine, and impose penalties for the breach thereof.