[1634-1.]

SECTION 2370. *Establishment of Certain Public Utilities by Private Parties Under License.* — Where provision is not made, pursuant to the provisions of the two preceding sections hereof, for maintaining or conducting the ferries, wharves, markets, or slaughterhouses requisite for the needs of the township, the council shall have authority to let the privilege of establishing and maintaining such utilities to private parties, by license granted upon such terms as shall be fixed by the council.

The right to reject any or all bids shall be reserved in all proposals for such bids; and the maximum charges, rents, or fees which may be exacted by the lessees shall be fixed in advance and shall be stated in the proposals for bids. The decision of a township council rejecting any bid or awarding any such privilege shall be subject to final revisal by the provincial board.

[1634-1.]

ARTICLE XVII

Township Court

SECTION 2371. *Constitution of Township Court.* — In a township where there is no justice of the peace in commission, there shall be maintained, with the approval of the provincial board, a township court composed of the township president, as presiding officer, and two councilors to be chosen by the township council at the first regular meeting after the election and qualification of a new president.

The township secretary shall be the recording officer of this court.

The members of the township court shall receive no compensation for their services in such capacity.

[1397-18 (*g, i*), 36.]

SECTION 2372. *Jurisdiction of Township Court.* — The township court shall hear and adjudge alleged violations of the township ordinances, upon complaint filed by the direction of the president or by a police officer or a private citizen; and, after due trial, in which the accused and his witnesses shall be heard, the president shall, upon conviction of the accused by a majority vote of the members of the court, impose such punishment, either by admonition or by fine or imprisonment, or both, as may be by ordinance provided.