

ORDINANCE No. 10 OF 1919.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Sea Defence Ordinance, A.D. 1919.  
1913. —

[6th March, 1919.]

**W**HEREAS by Resolution No. LXVIII. passed at the Annual Session of the Combined Court on the 2nd December, 1918, it was resolved "That this Court approves of a sum of \$10,000 being advanced to the Director of Public Works for the purpose of cleaning, repairing and raising the sea-dams of the islands of Leguan and Wakenaam as recommended by Mr. Case; and further that this advance be recovered by levying a rate of 57 cents an acre on all land other than Crown land and Colony land within the said islands;"

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Court of Policy thereof, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Sea Defence Ordinance, 1913, Amendment Ordinance, 1919, and shall be read and construed Short title.

as one with the Sea Defence Ordinance, 1913 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance), and with any amending Ordinance.

Vesting of powers of Commissioners in Director of Public Works or Deputy.

2. Section two of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the addition of the following proviso at the end of the section:—

“ Provided that the Governor-in-Council may by order published as aforesaid declare that in any district all or any of the powers of the Sea Defence Commissioners shall be vested in the Director of Public Works or in his Deputy for such period as he may declare by the said order or until further order. The Governor-in-Council may alter or repeal any such order. Provided further that from the date of the assumption of his duties by the Director of Sea Defences his name shall be deemed to be inserted in the Principal Ordinance and in any amending Ordinances instead of that of the Director of Public Works and any powers now exercised by the Director of Public Works in regard to sea defence matters of every description shall be exercisable by the Director of Sea Defences and any local Sea Defence Director appointed, or who may hereafter be appointed for any district shall if the Governor-in-Council so direct be deemed to be the deputy of the Director of Sea Defences and not of the Director of Public Works.”

Repeal and re-enactment of Sub-section (5) of Section 19 of Ordinance 9 of 1913, as amended by Section 8 of Ordinance 10 of 1918.

3. Sub-section (5) of section nineteen of the Principal Ordinance as amended by Ordinance No. 10 of 1918 is hereby repealed and the following sub-section inserted in lieu thereof:—

“(5) When any works are paid for in whole or in part from public funds the approval of the Combined Court shall be obtained. Provided that the assessments shall not exceed \$1.20 per rhymland acre in the case of estates and villages. Provided also that in the case of villages any sum payable above 60 cents per rhymland acre shall be defrayed from public funds.

“ Provided also that on the declaration at any date hereafter of the islands of Leguan or Wakenaam as one or more Sea Defence Districts by an order or orders of the Governor-in-Council the said area shall be assessed at a rate not exceeding fifty-seven cents per acre, Crown or Colony land being free from all assessment, and provided that such assessment shall be deemed to apply to the said area from and after the date of payment by the Colonial Treasurer of the sum of ten thousand dollars for the purpose of cleaning, repairing and raising the sea-dams of the said area as provided by Combined Court Resolution No. LXVIII. dated 2nd December, 1918.”