

election and as often thereafter as may be necessary to discharge the duties of their office, not less, however, than once in every three months.

Ibid. sec. 6.

212. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings, and shall call such meetings from time to time as he may deem necessary, but in the event of the absence of the Mayor at any meeting the members of the council present shall elect any of their own number to preside during his absence, who shall, for the time being, be clothed with all the powers and authority of said Mayor. A majority of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and the council shall pass rules and by-laws for their own government while in session.

Ibid. sec. 7.

213. Neglect or non-user shall not work a forfeiture of this charter.

Ibid. sec. 8.

214. The council shall annually appoint a clerk, who shall keep minutes of its proceedings in a well-bound book, which shall be open to inspection of all persons interested therein, also a treasurer, who shall receive and collect the taxes and other moneys due the town, and shall keep and disburse the same in the manner prescribed by the council; also a bailiff and such deputy bailiffs and other officers as may be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this charter, and in their discretion may appoint the same person to perform the duties of more than one office, and the books of said officers shall be accessible to the public at all the meetings of the council at its place of meeting.

1906, ch. 292, sec. 9.

215. The council may allow any of the officers of the town compensation for their services as may be deemed reasonable.

Ibid. sec. 10.

216. The council and all other officers of the corporation shall, before they enter upon the duties of their respective offices, take an oath that they will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of Maryland and that they will diligently and faithfully discharge the duties of their offices without favor, partiality or prejudice.

Ibid. sec. 11.

217. The council may require any of its officers to give bond, in such penalty and with such sureties as it may deem necessary, conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties; said bond shall be deposited in the hands of the Mayor