

1878, ch. 443. 1888, ch. 177.

**252.** They shall annually levy a tax for the expenses of the corporation upon the taxable property within the town limits, public and private securities and book accounts excepted, and the same shall be collected by a collector appointed by the said commissioners for the purpose, whose compensation for collecting said taxes shall not exceed five per centum, and who shall give bond in such amount as they shall prescribe, and hold his office during their pleasure; and the said collector, in collecting the said taxes, shall have full power to distrain for the same in the same manner as the collectors of State and county taxes now do, but the said tax shall not exceed twenty cents on the one hundred dollars for any one year.

1882, ch. 335.

**253.** Whenever they think it necessary, they may cause to be made a new assessment of the real and personal property within the limits of the town, and for that purpose shall appoint two of the qualified voters of the town, being freeholders therein, to make such assessments, who, before proceeding in the execution of their duties, shall make oath before a justice of the peace that they will diligently and faithfully, without fear, favor, partiality or prejudice, assess all the taxable property within the limits of said town, taking as the basis of said assessment the market value of said property, according to the best of their skill and judgment; and the said assessors shall return to the said commissioners a fair copy of their assessment in a well-bound book, written one month after their appointment, and shall receive for their work as assessors such compensation as said commissioners shall allow; and the said commissioners shall have power to alter and amend the said assessments whenever they think that justice requires it.

1878, ch. 443.

**254.** They shall annually elect a treasurer of the corporation, who shall be one of their number, and who shall keep an accurate account of the receipts and disbursements of the funds of the corporation in a well-bound book, and shall render annually to the commissioners a succinct and detailed statement thereof, which statement shall be published annually in one of the newspapers printed in Snow Hill, in at least one insertion; but before