

constables in criminal cases, said allowance of fees, however, to be subject to qualification by resolution by the Commissioners of Ridgely as they may from time to time deem proper.

SEC. 26. The Commissioners of Ridgely may appoint one person who must be a regular physician in good standing as a health officer; one person as a building inspector; one person as a town engineer; one person as a street commissioner and one person who shall be a member of the Bar of the Circuit Court for Caroline County as town attorney, and the duties, compensation and terms of all which officials so appointed hereunder shall be such as are prescribed by law and by ordinance or resolution of the Commissioners of Ridgely, and the Commissioners of Ridgely may also by ordinance provide for the appointments of such other officers or employees of said town as it may be deemed necessary for the interests of said town from time to time and to prescribe the terms, compensation and duties of such other additional officers and employees.

SEC. 27. Upon complaint in writing, filed with the Commissioners of Ridgely, after notice to the party complained of informing him of what he is charged and to appear and defend himself first having been given him in writing at least five days before the time appointed for the hearing, and if the Commissioners in their discretion find any of the officers or employees of said town to be guilty of misconduct unbecoming an officer, wilful disobedience, neglect of duty, misfeasance or malfeasance in office, such officer or employee may in the discretion of the Commissioners of Ridgely be removed at once from his office by a majority vote of the Commissioners of Ridgely, and his office shall be declared vacant, and the Commissioners of Ridgely shall as soon as convenient thereafter appoint another person to fill such office so vacated for the expired term, and immediately after such appointment the new employee shall qualify in the same manner as heretofore provided, and the new officer or employee shall have the same powers and duties as if he had been appointed in the first place, and serve out the term of the removed officer.

SEC. 28. In the event that a vacancy shall occur in any office created under this Charter or which shall be created by the Commissioners of Ridgely pursuant to the power conferred in this Charter by death, removal, resignation, failure to qualify or otherwise, the Commissioners of Ridgely shall as soon as convenient thereafter appoint another person to fill said office so vacated for the unexpired term, and shall have the same powers and duties as if he or she had been appointed in the first place and serve out the balance of said term.