

Mayor or one or more of the Councilmen elected as aforesaid, the remaining Councilmen, or a majority of them, shall elect a proper person to fill said vacancy.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and each Councilman, before he proceeds to act as such, shall make oath before some justice of the peace for Garrett County that he will diligently and faithfully, according to the best of his skill and judgment, perform the duties of his office without favor, partiality or prejudice, and a certificate of such qualification shall be returned by the said justice of the peace to the Mayor and Council, to be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the Council, unless prevented by sickness or reasonable cause, in which event the said Council may select a president pro tempore; he shall sign all ordinances of said town, and shall countersign all orders and drafts drawn by the clerk, on the Treasurer of said town.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and Council shall appoint a clerk, who shall, before entering on his duties, make oath before the said Mayor or a justice of the peace, that he will well and faithfully perform the duties of his office as prescribed by this Act, or which may be prescribed by ordinance, to the best of his skill and judgment; he shall sign all drafts or orders for money appropriated or ordered by the Mayor and Council to be paid by the treasurer, and keep a record of the proceedings of said Mayor and Council in a book to be provided by them for that purpose, which shall at all times be open to the inspection of any person interested. The said Mayor and Council shall have power to fix his term of office and the amount of his compensation.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and Council shall have power to appoint a bailiff who, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall make oath before a justice of the peace for Garrett County that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties imposed upon him by this Act and the ordinances of said town, and shall execute to the State of Maryland a bond with two good and sufficient securities to be approved by said Mayor and Council in such penalty as they may prescribe, conditioned that he shall well and faithfully perform the duties of said office in all things appertaining thereto according to law and the ordinances of said Mayor and Council, and shall well and truly collect and pay over to the treasurer of said corporation all taxes levied by the Mayor and Council and all other sums of money that may be received by him for the use of said corporation.