

an oath ; that they will diligently and faithfully, CHAP. 373.  
to the best of their judgment discharge the duties  
of their office, without favor partiality or prejudice;  
and shall file the certificate of the officer before  
whom the same was taken thereof, amongst the  
records of the corporation.

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted,* That the clerk and  
chief bailiff shall give a bond payable to the com- **Clerk and**  
missioners in such penalty and with such security, **bailiff to give**  
as the commissioners may require, conditioned for **bond.**  
the faithful performance of the duties of the office  
of bailiff or clerk.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted,* That the commis- **Election re-**  
sioners shall receive all election returns, and de- **turns.**  
termine all questions arising thereon, and any per-  
son conceiving himself aggrieved by reason of any  
such decision may appeal to the Circuit court,  
which shall have and determine the same and de-  
termine who shall pay the costs of appeal.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted,* That the commis- **Ordinances.**  
sioners may pass such ordinances not contrary to  
law, as they may deem beneficial to the town, may  
open and close streets, lanes and alleys, grade and  
pave the same, remove nuisances and obstructions  
therefrom, restrain all disorders and disturbances,  
prevent all congregations of negroes in public  
places, apprehend and fine all vagabonds, impose  
a tax on dogs, geese and hogs running at large  
in the streets, and may impose fines, penalties and  
forfeitures for the violation of their ordinances,  
and commit the offender to the county jail until  
the same be satisfied with costs.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* That the commis- **Assessments.**  
sioners may as often as deemed advisable, cause  
any assessment to be made of all real and personal  
property within the corporate limits by a person to  
be appointed and paid by them, and which assess-  
ment shall not exceed the assessment of the same  
property for county purposes, and the commis-  
sioners may levy a tax thereon, not exceeding in any  
one year, twenty cents in the hundred dollars worth  
of assessable property.

SEC. 16. *And it be enacted,* That any person **Appeals.**  
may appeal from the valuation made by the asses-  
sor to the commissioners, who shall meet on the  
first Monday in June, in each year after any such