

act he shall be responsible, and he shall give such bond to said treasurer conditioned for the faithful performance of his duty as the said treasurer may require].

(b) The County Commissioners of said county shall provide the said Treasurer with proper stationery, books, blanks and other necessary appointments for an office, which office they shall always provide and furnish in the Town of Leonardtown. The County Treasurer shall receive such salary as is prescribed by general law [and the Assistant Treasurer shall receive an annual salary of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to be paid monthly by the said County Commissioners]; and before he enters upon the discharge of the duties of his said office as treasurer, he and his successors in office shall take and subscribe before the Clerk of the Circuit Court the oath prescribed by Section 6 of Article 1 of the Constitution of Maryland; and shall execute to the State of Maryland the bond as prescribed by State law, conditioned for the proper collection and payment to the State Comptroller of all State taxes placed in his hands for collection, and another bond in the penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars, conditioned for the proper collection and disbursement of all moneys coming into his hands for the county, and the faithful performance of other duties devolving upon him; such bonds to be approved as bonds of the sheriffs of the respective counties of this State are approved and to be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, and a copy of said State bond shall be forwarded to the State Comptroller as soon as the original shall have been recorded, as above required.

Director of Finance

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(a) There is hereby established the office of Director of Finance of St. Mary's County.

(b) The director of finance shall be appointed by the County Commissioners and shall serve at their pleasure. His selection shall be made solely on the basis of his executive, administrative and fiscal abilities, with particular reference to his actual experience in and knowledge of accepted practice and procedure respecting the duties of his office as set forth in this sub-title.

(c) The compensation of the director of finance shall be determined by the county commissioners in their discretion. The director of finance shall be required to furnish bond with corporate surety conditioned upon the proper performance of his duties in such amount as the county commissioners shall prescribe. The premium for the bond shall be paid out of county funds.

(d) The director of finance shall devote his full time to the work of the county, and he shall be responsible to the county commissioners for the proper administration of his affairs. The director of finance may employ, with the approval of the county commissioners, such assistants as he may deem necessary for the proper performance of his duties. He shall at all times be held responsible for the proper discharge of his duties, but may delegate such authority as he deems necessary to carry out the duties of his office to appropriate officers and employees. During his temporary absence or disability, the duties of the director of finance shall be performed by a qualified administrative officer of the county designated in writing