

and personal property in the villages, which is specified to it on or before June 1 by the village council after public hearing held thereon by the village council, to be collected as all other county taxes in the county are collected; to be paid over by the county council to the treasurer of the village council herein authorized to be created, or his successors, selected by the majority of the members of the village council, upon the treasurer having been duly selected by a majority of the members of the village council, and giving corporate bond to Montgomery County, Maryland, satisfactory to and approved by the chief administrative officer and the county attorney in a penal sum to be fixed by them, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of the duties of the treasurer, and the county council shall also order and have paid over to the treasurer the proportion of the county road tax to be levied and collected in the same manner as though the [villages of "Friendship Heights" and "The Hills" were] VILLAGE OF FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS WAS an incorporated town, and the [villages] VILLAGE shall, for the purpose, be considered by the county council as an incorporated town of the county. All of the funds may be used directly by or through the village council for acquiring, building, renovating, altering, or removing structures for public use; and for providing sewerage, sanitation and other village improvements, and amenities; recreation, parks, and for furnishing police and fire protection; administrative, clerical, maintenance, and other public service, including the removal of ashes, garbage and other refuse and the disposal thereof, for carrying out any other general police and health power function pursuant to this chapter; and providing for the constructing, improving, widening, maintaining, repairing, and lighting of streets, roads, lanes, alleys, sidewalks, and drainage structures.

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(A) On the second Monday in May in the year 1923, and on the same date in every second year thereafter, an election shall be held in the [villages] VILLAGE for the election of seven (7) members, each of whom shall be a registered and qualified voter of Montgomery County residing in the [villages] VILLAGE, to be and constitute the "Friendship Heights Village Council" for the next succeeding two (2) years, and until their successors duly qualify, each of whom shall qualify on or before the fourth Monday in May thereafter by taking an oath, before an officer of the law duly commissioned to administer same, to diligently and faithfully discharge the duties of the office.

(B) In case any such person so elected as village councilman fails to qualify within the time hereinbefore mentioned, or in case of any vacancy through death, resignation or otherwise, the county council shall fill the vacancy by the appointment of a registered and qualified voter of Montgomery County residing in the [villages] VILLAGE, who shall hold office for the term or unexpired term.

(C) The election of the village councilmen as herein provided, shall be held under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland, but the returns thereof shall be made to the county council of Montgomery County.

(D) All registered and qualified voters of Montgomery County residing in the [villages] VILLAGE are eligible to vote at the elections; the election shall be conducted by at least four (4) judges of election and at least four (4) clerks, and whatever assistant judges and clerks as may be necessary, to be appointed by the village council, who shall serve with appropriate compensation.