

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That all free white male inhabitants, above twenty-one years of age, who shall have a bona fide residence in said town, for and during the space of six months, and twelve months in the State next preceding the election, or who shall be the holder of real property within the limits of said town, and have resided six months in the county of Talbot, and twelve months in the State, shall, on the first Monday in June next, at the academy in said town, and on the first Monday in June in each and every year hereafter, at such house as shall hereafter be designated by the municipality, be authorised to elect five judicious and discreet persons commissioners for said town, and who shall have resided within the limits of said town or county for at least twelve months next preceding the election.

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Authority to  
elect five com-  
missioners.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the present commissioners shall appoint three persons, who shall in the first instance be the judges of said election, who shall open the polls at two o'clock, p. m., and shall close the same at six o'clock, p. m., and shall return their certificates of the persons elected, to the said commissioners on the day first appointed for their meeting, and the same shall be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

Present com-  
missioners to  
appoint first  
judges of elec-  
tion.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That all future elections shall be held and conducted as shall be from time to time directed by the laws of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Future elec-  
tions.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That every commissioner to be appointed in pursuance of this act, before he shall proceed to execute his office, shall take an oath or affirmation, before some justice of the peace of the county, that he will diligently and faithfully, according to the best of his judgment, perform the duties of a commissioner of the said town according to the directions of this act, without favor, partiality or prejudice; and a certificate of such qualification shall be made and returned by such justice of the peace, to the said commissioners, to be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

Oath of com-  
missioner.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted,* That if any of the commissioners, during the year for which he or they may be elected, shall die, resign, remove from said county, or be non compos mentis, or otherwise disqualified, an election to fill the vacancy shall be held, at which all the persons qualified, as is specified in the second section of this act, shall be entitled to vote.

Vacancy  
how filled.