

184. The free white male citizens of Jerusalem, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, who have resided in said town twelve months next preceding the election, shall, on the first Monday in May in each year, elect by ballot a burgess, assistant burgess and five commissioners for said town, having the same qualifications, in all respects, as the voters.

185. All elections shall be held and conducted as shall from time to time be directed by the by-laws of the corporation, not contrary to this charter.

186. If at any election for burgess, assistant burgess and commissioners, any two or more persons shall have an equality of votes, so that no choice shall be made, a second election shall be made, after not less than ten days' notice; and so on, until a choice shall be made.

187. If, during the year for which they were elected, the burgess, assistant burgess, or any of the commissioners, shall die, resign, remove from said town, be *non compos mentis*, or displaced, an election to fill the vacancy shall be held, after ten days' notice, and all persons entitled to vote at the regular shall be entitled to vote at any special election.

188. The said burgess, assistant burgess and commissioners shall qualify by making oath, before some justice of the peace for Washington county, that they will discharge the duties of their respective offices according to the best of their skill and judgment, without fear, favor, affection or partiality; a copy of which oath, with a certificate of the justice administering the same, shall be entered on the journal of the corporation.

189. The said burgess and commissioners may meet, from time to time, as occasion may require, on the business of the corporation, not less than once in every three months, and the burgess shall preside at all meetings, and may give the casting vote; in his absence the assistant burgess shall preside, under the same restrictions, but when the burgess is present, the assistant burgess shall have the same power as a commissioner.

190. The burgess and commissioners, or a majority of them, may appoint a clerk, and assign his duties, and allow him such compensation for his services as they may think proper.