

shall be to preserve the peace and good order of the town, to arrest without warrant and take before a Justice of the Peace any person found violating any ordinance of said town or any law of this State; or upon warrant issued on complaint of others to arrest any person charged with the violation of any ordinance or law and take them before a Justice of the Peace to be dealt with according to law, and whenever necessary to commit any offender until a speedy trial can be had; and for these purposes the said bailiffs are hereby vested also with the same powers as are now possessed by constables under the laws of this State, and shall be entitled in addition to the compensation fixed by the Mayor and City Council, to the fees allowed constables under the laws of this State, which shall be collected from the parties arrested and convicted.

Vested with the powers of constables.

It shall be the duty of each of said bailiffs to report at each regular monthly meeting of the Mayor and City Council, in writing and under oath, that they have each faithfully performed their duties required by this section, and also report all violations of the law brought to their sight or knowledge within the time of said report and their actions in the premises, together with a statement of fees received by them, which said reports shall be filed and recorded among the proceedings of the Mayor and City Council. They shall each take an oath well and truly to perform the duties required of them, or that may be required of them, by an ordinance of the Mayor and City Council, and give bond for the faithful performance of their duties as prescribed by this Act in the penalty of five hundred dollars, with good and sufficient sureties approved by the Mayor and City Council, within ten days after their appointment. Any bailiff failing to perform the duties imposed upon him, on evidence of the fact being produced before the City Council, shall be removed by the Mayor and another appointed in his stead, or any bailiff may be removed at any time by the Mayor with the assent of the City Council, when in their discretion he is incompetent or unfit to perform the duties required of him by law. A failure to qualify, as above provided, within ten days shall be deemed a refusal of the office and authorize another appointment.

Reports to be rendered, monthly by bailiffs.

Failure to perform their duties.

Failure to qualify.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the term of the Mayor and City Council of Laurel as at present constituted whose term expires by law on the second Monday in April, 1904, is hereby extended until the fourth Monday in April, 1904, and they are hereby vested with all the powers for such extension of their term of office as they possessed during the term for which they were elected.

Terms of Mayor and Councilmen.