

Commissioners, clerk and bailiff shall take oath, etc.

shall qualify on the first Monday in May in each and every year, by taking the following oath, to be administered by some justice of the peace: I, ———, do swear (or affirm) that I will execute the office of Commissioners of Barton, or Clerk or Bailiff (as the case may be) to the best of my ability, without favor, partiality or prejudice, and at their annual meeting on the said date the Commissioners shall elect some one of said Commissioners as president, who shall preside at all meetings of the Commissioners and execute the ordinances passed by the said Commissioners; they may meet as often as occasion may require upon the business of the town, and not less than once in every three weeks.

Manner of conducting elections.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners of Barton shall appoint every year at least ten days before the day of election three judges to hold election; they shall keep the polls open from five o'clock in the evening until eight o'clock in the evening, and shall conduct the said election in the same manner in which elections are usually held or conducted, as far as may be consistent with the provisions of this Act, and the said judges shall make returns under their hands and seals to the clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany County of the persons elected.

Shall define the duties of clerk.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall define the duties of clerk, and allow him such compensation for his services as they may think proper, and that all ordinances passed by the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall by the clerk be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall be open at all times for the inspection of any person or persons interested, and copies of all ordinances shall be put up in five prominent public places of said town.

Shall appoint annually a treasurer, policeman and other officers.

Powers of.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority annually in the month of May, at their first meeting aforesaid, to appoint a treasurer for the said town, and they shall also have power to appoint as many policemen and other officers as they may deem necessary, and the said policemen and the bailiff shall serve warrants and make arrests for violations of the ordinances of said town, and it shall be their duty to preserve the peace and good order of said town, and for these purposes the said bailiff and policemen are hereby vested with the same power and authority as constables of said county now have under the laws of this State, and said policemen and other officers shall receive such reasonable compen-