

Collection of money due by consumers.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted*, That the policemen of Hagerstown, or any one of them, when thereto required by the Board of Street Commissioners, shall perform the duties of collecting the sum or sums of money due by consumers for service of light provided, according to such regulations as may be determined by the Board of Street Commissioners.

Purchase of fuel for operating plant.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted*, That whenever it shall become necessary for the said Board of Street Commissioners to purchase fuel or any materials that may be advantageously purchased in large quantities of bulk, they shall by public advertisement in two or more newspapers of Hagerstown invite bids or proposals for furnishing the same, and shall award the contract for furnishing such fuel or material to the lowest responsible bidder, and shall in all cases exact bond with good and sufficient security for the faithful performance of such contract, and the failure to file such bond with the Board of Street Commissioners within ten days after award of such contract, shall be sufficient ground for the said Board of Street Commissioners to revoke and rescind such contract. Nothing in this section contained shall render it unlawful for the Board of Street Commissioners, in the event of necessity to purchase fuel in small quantities, to keep the plant in operation until a contract can be made under the provisions of this Act.

Money credited to lighting fund

SEC. 16. *And be it enacted*, That all sums of money that may be in the hands of the Tax Collector on the first day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and one, and held by him under the provisions of the Charter of Hagerstown as a fund to pay the cost and expenses of any contract for the lighting of the streets and public places of Hagerstown, and all sums of money received after said first day of January by the Tax Collector for such purpose under any levy, shall be credited to and constitute part of the lighting fund described in the ninth section of this Act, and to be applied and drawn out in manner and form provided for said lighting fund in said ninth section.

Repeal.

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Election to be held for or against municipal ownership of lighting plant.

SEC. 17A. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall not go into force and effect unless at an election to be held within sixty days after the fifth day of March, in the year nineteen hundred, a majority of the qualified voters of Hagerstown, casting their votes upon the question, shall vote in favor of the provisions of this Act; at said election all ballots cast in favor of the