

103. The said commissioners shall meet, at such place as they may appoint, within the said village, on the second Monday of every third month ensuing their election, and as much oftener by adjournment as they shall deem necessary.

104. They may appoint a clerk, who shall keep a record of their proceedings in a book to be provided for that purpose by the commissioners, and the same shall at all times be open to the inspection of any person interested.

105. The commissioners may make by-laws, not contrary to law, for the regulation and good government of the village and its inhabitants, to restrain disorders and disturbances and prevent nuisances, inconveniences and annoyances, and impose fines, penalties and forfeitures for the breach thereof, not exceeding five dollars for any one offence.

106. They shall appoint an assessor, who shall annually, between the second Monday in April and the second Monday in May, make a just and fair assessment and valuation of all the real property in the village; and the said assessor shall, before making such assessment, make oath before one of the commissioners that he will make true valuation of such property, in current money, to the best of his skill and judgment.

107. They may levy a tax on the property so assessed, not exceeding fifty cents in the hundred dollars in any one year.

108. They shall annually, as soon after their election as convenient, appoint a bailiff, who, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall make oath before a justice of the peace for Caroline county that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of him as bailiff within the said village, without favor, affection or partiality, according to the best of his skill and judgment; and shall also give bond, in the same manner and in the same penalty as the several constables of said county.

109. The said bailiff shall attend the meetings of the commissioners when required, and perform such services as they shall direct; shall prevent the tumultuous and irregular meetings of slaves, negroes and other dissolute and disorderly persons, and disperse them when assembled, by reasonable and lawful means; and shall punish with moderate correction all slaves found wan-