

in the streets, lanes and alleys, for opening, grading, repairing, paving, bridging, and otherwise improving the streets, lanes and alleys, for the prevention of the running at large of all geese and swine, and for promoting the health, convenience and safety of the inhabitants of said town, not contrary to the Constitution and laws of this State and of the United States.

144*. The said commissioners may impose fines and forfeitures for the breach of all such rules, regulations, by-laws and ordinances as may be passed by them in accordance with the previous sections, which shall be recovered by and in the name of said commissioners, in the same manner and with the same costs prescribed for the recovery of small debts before a justice of the peace; *Provided*, that no penalty, fine or forfeiture shall exceed the sum of eight dollars.

145*. All previous contracts for paving the streets of said town are hereby ratified and confirmed.

146*. All taxes heretofore levied by the commissioners of said town are hereby made valid, and the said commissioners shall have full power and authority to collect the same as in the manner hereinbefore prescribed.

147*. The waters of the Saint Michael's Harbor west of a line drawn from "Navy Point" to "Jones' Point" are hereby made subject to the jurisdiction of the commissioners of said town.

148. The bailiff of said town shall, before he acts as such, take an oath before some one of the commissioners, faithfully to execute the duties of his office according to the best of his skill and judgment, and shall also execute a bond to the commissioners of said town in the penalty of two hundred dollars, with security approved by them, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as bailiff, and the said bond shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Talbot county.

149. The bailiff shall attend the meetings of the commissioners, and perform such duties as they shall direct; shall prevent the tumultuous and irregular meetings of negroes, slaves and other dissolute and disorderly persons within said town, or if so assembled, shall disperse them by lawful and reasonable means; and shall punish with moderate correction, under such regula-