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them; and the said qualified voters are authorized to elect, on the second Monday in January, in the year 1905, at the time and place of election of Mayor, four Commissioners for said town, who shall have resided within the limits of the same eighteen months next preceding the election, two of whom shall be elected for and serve a term of one year, and two of whom shall be elected for and serve a term of two years; and thereafter on the expiration of the terms for which the said Commissioners shall have been elected, there shall be elected two Commissioners for the term of two years to succeed the Commissioners whose terms shall thus have respectively expired, and the terms for which the said Commissioners shall thereafter be elected shall be for the full term of two years; and the qualified voters are authorized to elect annually one person to serve as clerk for the Mayor and Commissioners of said town, provided that the person so elected shall have the legal qualifications of a Commissioner therein; and the said Mayor and Commissioners, at their first meeting in February after their election and qualification, shall elect, in each year, one person to serve as bailiff of said town.

Clerk to the
Commission-
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Oath to be ad-
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when quali-
fying.

244. Said Commissioners, clerk and bailiff, shall qualify by taking and subscribing the following oath, to be administered by the Mayor or some justice of the peace in Allegany County: "I,, do swear (or affirm) that I will execute the office of Commissioner of Westernport, or clerk, or bailiff, as the case may be, to the best of my ability without favor, partiality or prejudice;" which oath shall be filed among the records of the town. The Mayor and Commissioners shall meet on the first Monday of February, in each year, and as often thereafter as the business of the town may require, but not less than once in every three months.

Limiting sum
to be levied.

249. The Mayor and Commissioners shall have, during the month of March, power to levy an equal tax on the property within the limits of said town to such an amount each year, not exceeding the sum of forty cents on each one hundred dollars worth of property as may be deemed necessary for the government of said town, which said taxes so levied and assessed shall be collected promptly by the bailiff of said town, and by said bailiff paid over as collected at the end of each and every month to the treasurer of said town, appointed by said Mayor and Commissioners; and the said bailiff shall have the same power to distrain for said taxes as the collector of public county taxes has to distrain for the same; and the said Mayor and Commissioners shall fix the amount of bond rate