

their hands and seals of a majority of them, or the hand and seal of any of them, to be appropriated by themselves to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Harford county, in a similar manner as now provided by law in general elections throughout the State, and it shall be the duty of said clerk as soon as may be after the returns are made, to inform the Commissioners so elected and administer to them separately, the following oath or affirmation: "I, _____ Oath or affirmation
make oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, or affirmation, that I will faithfully and without partiality discharge the duties of Commissioner of Bel Air, to the best of my ability, so help me God," which shall be within the text-book for other officers in the custody of the said clerk, and signed by the said Commissioners; which said oath and signing shall be deemed the qualification of the said Commissioners; and it shall be the duty of the said clerk to administer the said oath or a similar one, and have it signed by the officers of the said town subsequently elected or appointed.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners of the said town, after the first election and qualification provided for in the preceding section, shall have full power and authority to order and direct such other elections as may be necessary under the provisions of this act, to give notice thereof, to determine upon the number of judges of such elections, who shall act and make their returns as provided in the preceding section, appoint them, and fix the place for opening the polls, and the hours they shall be kept open, and to call such town meetings as they may deem expedient from time to time. Powers.

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted*, That if the inhabitants said town at any time neglect to make an election as herein directed, the power of electing commissioners shall not thereupon cease, but shall continue as though such election had been made; and the commissioners for the time being shall remain in office until such annual election shall be held. Neglect to hold an election

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted*, That all ordinances passed by the commissioners shall be entered by the secretary in a book, to be kept by him for that purpose, and shall be open at all times to the inspection Ordinances to be entered.