

borough, in Caroline county, shall be and they are hereby constituted and made a body corporate, by the name of the President and Commissioners of the town of Hillsborough, and as such shall have succession, and by their corporate name, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, grant, receive and do all other acts; may purchase and hold real, personal and mixed property, and dispose of the same for the benefit of said town, and have and use a common seal, which may be broken or altered at pleasure.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all male citizens of the town of Hillsborough aforesaid, above twenty-one years of age, who shall have *bona fide* resided within the corporate limits of said town for and during the space of three months, and twelve months in the State next preceding the election, shall, on the first Saturday in May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy-four, at the academy in said town, and on the first Saturday in May in each and every year thereafter, at said academy, or some other place appointed by the commissioners, be authorized to elect five judicious and discreet persons commissioners for the said town. Elect five commissioners

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That no person shall be elected to the office of commissioner in said town for the time being, who shall not have resided twelve months in said town immediately previous to said election, and at the time conducting some business or having a family living in said town. Not eligible

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That every board of commissioners thus duly elected shall, at their first meeting, proceed to elect by ballot one from among their number as president, who shall hold that position during the time for which he was elected as commissioner, or until superseded by the election of a new president, after a new election as aforesaid. Elect president

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners shall have power to appoint from among their number a clerk, and assign his duties and allow him such pay for his services as they may think proper, and that all ordinances passed by said commissioners or a majority of them, shall, by their clerk, be enter- Powers