

ers of Jefferson, with all the privileges of a body corporate, and to have a common seal, and perpetual succession.

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Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That every free white male citizen of Jefferson aforesaid, of the age of twenty one years, and upwards, having resided in the said place for and during the space of six months, next preceding the election, may, on the fourth day of July next, at the house occupied now as a tavern, by Daniel Shower; and on the fourth day of July in each and every year hereafter, at such house as shall hereafter be designated as the Town Hall, by the municipality, be authorised to elect five commissioners for the said town, who shall have resided within the limits of the same, six months next preceeding the election.

Election of Commissioners.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That a justice of the peace, for the time being, residing in the said town, shall appoint, by writing under his hand and seal, one judge, to hold the first election, who shall keep the polls open from nine o'clock in the morning, in the same manner in which the judges of elections are now by law directed to conduct an election for delegates to the general assembly, as far as may be consistent with the provisions of this act; and the said judge shall make return, under his hand and seal, of the persons elected, to the clerk of Frederick county, to be by him kept.

Judges of elections

Returns.

Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That all future elections shall be held and conducted as shall be from time to time directed by the by-laws of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Future elections.

Sec. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners, elected according to the provisions of this act, shall, on the first meeting after said election, choose some one of the said commissioners president of the board, whose duty it shall be to preside at the meetings of the said commissioners, and preserve order, and give such directions as may be deemed necessary, by the said commissioners, to carry into full effect the provisions of this act.

President.

Sec. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, may meet together, from time to time, as often as occasion may require, upon the business of said Jefferson, and not less than once in every three months, and if during the year for which they may be elected, any of the commissioners should die, resign, remove from said town, or be non compos, or otherwise disqualified, an election to fill the vacancy shall be held, at which all persons qualified as is specified in the fourth section of this act, shall be entitled to a vote.

Meetings of the board.

Case of vacancy

Sec. 9. *And it be enacted*, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have power to appoint a clerk

Clerk.