

1906, ch. 284, sec. 27. 1908, ch. 331 (p. 681).

**298.** The said Commissioners may pass such by-laws and ordinances as they shall deem necessary for the good government of said town and the inhabitants thereof; and for the maintaining of a jail or lock-up for the temporary detention, when necessary, of persons who would be by law liable to detention in the county jail; also for the prevention, removal or abatement of nuisance; to prevent swine, geese, animals, stock and poultry of every kind from going at large; for controlling the erection and location of buildings, fences, stock inclosures, and for prohibiting and controlling the use of powder, firearms, firecrackers and other explosives; for the controlling of the repairs of any buildings when repaired to the extent of new roof or weather-boarding; for the protection of public property and sidewalks and streets and to regulate the use of the same, including the rate of speed over them, and to protect shade or ornamental trees from injury or obstructions; for the paving of sidewalks, and assessing and taxing the expense thereof in whole or in part upon the respective owners of the property fronting thereon; for the regulating of the running of traction engines through said town and prescribing the kind of fuel to be used therein; for the laying of sewers or other drains and to regulate the use thereof, and to enter into contracts with property owners for the use thereof for a term of one or more years, and to provide in said contract for the collection of any rents or other sums of money charged by said Commissioners for the use thereof, which rents or other charges shall be a lien upon the property connected with said sewer, and shall be collected by the bailiff as taxes levied by said Commissioners are collected; for license or tax on public exhibitions or amusements of all kinds, billiards, pool or bagatelle tables and ten-pin alleys, and for the collection of the same; for a tax on persons for every dog kept by them, and to cause any dog to be killed; for tax on telephone, telegraph and electric light poles; for the promotion of the morality, health, convenience and safety of the inhabitants of said town; and for the opening, widening, extending, repairing, improving and closing up of streets, lanes and alleys of said town; and all damage done and all benefits received by the opening, closing, extending, widening or improving said streets, lanes or alleys, or for the laying of any sewers or opening of any drains over private property, shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said town, to be appointed by said Commissioners, who shall within a reasonable time after the notification of their appointment take an oath before a justice of the peace or notary public for Caroline County that they will faithfully, fairly and without partiality or prejudice, value or assess in money the loss and damage to be suffered and incurred, as well as benefits to be received by any person interested in the property over, through and near said street, lane, alley, sewer or drain to be opened, closed, extended, widened or improved, and they shall return the same in writing, under their hands and seals, with a certificate of their qualifications, before a justice of the peace or notary public as aforesaid to the