

1914, ch. 833, sec. 20.

445. It shall be the duty of the County Commissioners of Caroline County to pay annually to the Commissioners of said town six per centum of the taxes levied upon the property within the limits of said Corporation, provided that said town shall not receive less than the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, said sum shall be used for the benefit of said town in such way as the Commissioners of said town may elect.

1914, ch. 833, sec. 21.

446. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to in any manner affect or invalidate any contract or franchise entered into or granted by the Commissioners of Preston, now in force, or any Act passed at this Session of the Legislature or heretofore passed by the Legislature authorizing the issuing of bonds or the borrowing of money.

1914, ch. 833, sec. 22.

447. The books and accounts of said Treasurer shall be audited on or before the 30th day of June in each year, by a competent person or persons to be appointed by the Commissioners of Preston, and at such other time or times as they or a majority of them may deem proper so to do.

1914, ch. 833, sec. 23.

448. They may at their election appoint a suitable person to be Street Commissioner of said town and fix his compensation, whose duty it shall be to superintend the grading, paving, repaving, keeping in order and opening of streets, lanes and alleys in said town and the removing of obstructions therefrom, to take care of and preserve the public squares and properties and preserve the health and well-being of the inhabitants of the town, said Street Commissioner being hereby given all the police powers of constables of this State. He shall perform all other appropriate duties prescribed by the Commissioners of Preston, and give bond in such penalty and in such manner as may be prescribed by them.

1914, ch. 833, sec. 24.

449. The Commissioners of Preston shall have power to make by-laws and pass ordinances to establish grades for the streets, gutters and sidewalks of said town, the width thereof, and prescribe the material of which they shall be built; to cause the sidewalks, along said public streets to be graded, curbed, paved, repaved or improved and to assess the costs and expenses thereof in whole or in part, upon the owner or owners of the abutting property, which costs and expense shall be a lien on the abutting property, and recoverable by an action at law, or compel by fines or otherwise the owner or owners of any such lot to grade, pave, repave and curb the sidewalks in front thereof; and may provide by ordinance for condemning, laying out, opening, extending and making new streets or alleys and for altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving, or closing up in whole or in part any existing street or alley, and for removing