

ELECTIONS.

1906, ch. 382, sec. 184A2. 1924, ch. 144, sec. 184A2.

466. The inhabitants of the town of Midland, who have resided there for six months next preceding any municipal election having the qualifications prescribed for voters by the laws of this State, and who have been registered as hereinafter prescribed shall on the second Monday in May, 1904, and on the same day in every year thereafter at such place as shall be designated by the judges of the election between the hours of one o'clock and seven o'clock P. M. elect by ballot one person each to be Clerk and Secretary of the Board of Health, and on the second Monday in May, the said voters shall elect in the same manner three persons to be members of the Council for two years, who, with the three already elected, and in office for two years, shall constitute the six members of the Council, and annually thereafter on the second Monday in May the said voter shall elect three persons to be members of the Council for two years; and all persons elected by the people shall hold their office until their successors have been elected and qualified; provided that at the election to be held in May, 1906, four persons shall be elected to the Council, three to act for two years and one for one year only. And for the purpose of stimulating interest in the government of said town and in order to maintain candidates for the various offices, the Mayor and Councilmen shall hold a public meeting not less than twenty days and not more than thirty days before the time for a general election for the officers of said town. Notice of which said meeting shall be published by handbills or in a newspaper of Allegany County not less than once a week prior to said meeting, giving notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting aforementioned. The said meeting shall be called and held by the Mayor and Council, and nominations shall then be in order for officers for the ensuing year. If more than two men shall be nominated for Mayor at said meeting, a vote shall then be taken of the persons present and entitled to vote in the city, and the two persons receiving the highest number of votes at said meeting shall be declared to be the official candidates for Mayor, and their names shall be placed upon the official ballots at the next regular town election, and the one receiving the highest number of votes at the next regular town election shall be declared entitled to the office of Mayor of said town.

Nominations shall then be received for the offices of Councilmen, and if more than six names are nominated then a vote shall be taken for Councilmen in the same manner as for the Mayor and the six receiving the highest number of votes shall be entitled to have their names placed upon the official ballots at the next town election, and the three receiving the majority of the votes cast at the next town election shall be declared to be entitled to sit as members of said council. If less than six are nominated at said meeting then such number shall be entitled to have their names placed upon the official ballots, and the three receiving the highest number of votes at the general town election shall be the Councilmen. At said meeting to be called as aforesaid the Mayor shall appoint a clerk and two