

Monday in May in every second year, accounting from the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, between the hours of 12 o'clock M. and 5 o'clock P. M., shall elect by ballot five persons of known integrity, experience and sound judgment, to be Commissioners of said town.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 10, sec. 142. 1884, ch. 520.

226. It shall be the duty of the Commissioners of said town to appoint three judges of election, one of whom, at least, shall be of the opposite political party, and shall give notice of the time and polling place and names of the judges appointed as aforesaid; such notice shall be posted in two conspicuous places, at least five days before election; each of said persons, so as aforesaid appointed judge of election, before he proceeds to act as such judge, shall make oath before a justice of the peace for the county, or one of the Commissioners of said town, that he will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his office; and upon failure of any judge to attend, the remaining judge or judges shall hold the election; and if none of the judges attend, the citizens present shall select three judges. The said judges of election, on the day of election and immediately after the polls are closed, shall count the ballots and certify the result to said Town Commissioners, together with the ballots cast, and the persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected Commissioners; and the said certificate shall be recorded.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 10, sec. 143. 1884, ch. 520. 1916, ch. 78, sec. 143.

227. If any vacancy shall happen in the office of Commissioner, the remaining members of said board, or a majority thereof, shall have the power to appoint a new member or members to fill said vacancy or vacancies for the unexpired term or terms.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 10, sec. 144. 1884, ch. 520.

228. Every person elected a Commissioner, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall make oath before some justice of the peace that he will diligently and faithfully, without favor, partiality or prejudice, perform the duties of a Commissioner of said town; and a certificate of such qualification shall be returned by the justice of the peace to the Commissioners, and be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 10, sec. 145. 1884, ch. 520.

229. The Commissioners shall meet on the Wednesday ensuing their election, or as soon thereafter as convenient, and as often thereafter as they shall determine by by-laws or ordinances, and shall each receive the sum of fifty cents per meeting; provided, that none of them shall receive more than six dollars per annum as salary; the said Commissioners, at their first meeting, shall select one of their number as president, who shall preside at their meetings and exercise other functions as may be conferred upon him by the by-laws or ordinances; the president shall see that the ordinances are duly and faithfully executed, and shall report annually, in