The cost of said election shall be paid by the County Commissioners of Allegany County, but shall be refunded to said County by the City of Cumberland.

The Mayor and each of said Councilmen shall qualify as required by this Charter and the Constitution of the State within twenty days after the official announcement of his election or appointment, as the case may be, and in case of failure to so do, his office shall become vacant.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL.

1922, ch. 96, sec. 12.

12.* The Mayor shall not be less than thirty years of age, and each of the said four Councilmen shall not be less than twenty-five years of age at the time of their election; they shall each of them be citizens of the United States and for five years immediately preceding their election residents of the City of Cumberland. The Mayor shall be the bona fide owner of property to the value of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), and assessed for the same on the tax books of the said city at the time of his election and for two years next prior thereto, the taxes on which shall not be in arrears; each Councilman shall be the bona fide owner of property to the value of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars, and assessed for the same on the tax books of the said city at the time of their election and for two years next prior thereto, the taxes on which shall not be in arrears; and the said Mayor and City Councilmen shall hold office for a period of two years from the first Monday in April next succeeding their election and until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Hummelshine v. Hirsch, 114 Md. 39.

^{*}Sec. 12 was amended by ch. 552, 1929, subject to referendum in November, 1930, and if approved will read as follows:

^{12.} The Mayor shall be not less than thirty years of age, and each of said four councilmen shall not be less than twenty-five years of age at the time of their election; they shall each of them be citizens of the United States and for five years immediately preceding their election, residents within the limits of the City of Cumberland as defined by this Act. The Mayor shall be a bona fide owner of property to the value of not less than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars and assessed for the same on the tax books of the said City at the time of his election and for two years next prior thereto, if he has resided within the former limits of said city, or in the event that he has resided without said limits but within the limits of said city as set forth in this Act, then upon the tax books of Allegany County, the taxes on which shall not be in arrears; each councilman shall be the bona fide owners of property to the value of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars and assessed for the same on the tax books of the said city at the time of their election, and for two years next prior thereto. If he has resided within the former limits of said city, or in the event that he has resided without said limits but within the limits of said city as set forth in this Act, then upon the tax books of Allegany County, the taxes on which shall not be in arrears; and the said Mayor and City Councilmen shall hold office for a period of two years from the first Monday in April next succeeding their election and until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.