

wise, the remaining committeemen shall fill any such vacancy by the appointment of another, qualified under this Act to hold such office, who shall hold office for such other term or unexpired term; provided, however, that should said remaining committeemen fail to fill any vacancy existing before the expiration of sixty days, then the vacancy so existing shall be filled by the County Commissioners of Montgomery County, upon receipt of notice in writing from ten per cent of the resident property owners of said village of Northwest Park, on the last Monday in March in the year 1920, and on the same day in each year thereafter, an election shall be held in the said village of Northwest Park for the election of three committeemen, each of whom shall have been a resident of said village of Northwest Park for six months previous to said election, and over the age of twenty-one years, the three said committeemen to be and constitute the Northwest Park Citizens' Committee for the ensuing year, each of whom shall qualify within thirty days after said election by taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution of Maryland, before an officer of the law duly commissioned to administer same. That the annual election of said committeemen, as herein provided shall be held in accordance with the law of the State of Maryland, but the returns thereof shall be made to the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County; all residents of said village of Northwest Park for six months previous to said election, and over the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible to vote at such election; said election shall be conducted by three judges of election and two clerks, to be appointed by said committee, who shall serve without pay and the polls of said election shall be open from seven P. M. to nine o'clock P. M., on the last Monday in March, as hereinbefore provided. Nothing herein shall be construed to exclude women as qualified in this section from voting, or holding office.

1918, ch. 178, sec. 5. 1920, ch. 276, sec. 5.

658. Said Northwest Park Citizens' Committee is empowered to grade, pave, macadamize, or otherwise improve any existing street, road, or lane, which has been or which may be acquired and open for public use, and to lay sidewalks and curbs thereon, and after determining the character of such improvement and the cost thereof the Board of County Commissioners shall upon written notice from said citizens' committee assess the cost of said grading, paving, macadamizing, or improving, against all real property within the village of said Northwest Park as set forth in Plat No. 134, recorded in Plat Book No. 2, of the land records of Montgomery County, such assessment to be made against each taxpayer in proportion to the acreage of such real estate owned; provided that before any contract for work shall be entered into, or obligation with respect thereto incurred, ten days' notice in writing shall be served upon the owners of said property; or in the case of non-residents, mailed to their last known postoffice address, giving notice of the time and place upon which a hearing upon said proposed work will be held, such hearing to be had before said Northwest Park Citizens' Committee, who shall decide the matters