

(K) Said town Treasurer, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take oath, before the Secretary Commissioner or before a justice of the peace or other officer or person (including a notary public) authorized to administer oaths in Prince George's County, that he will diligently, faithfully and honestly discharge all the duties of his office, and also shall give bond to the Town of Cottage City, with such surety or sureties as said Commission may by resolution require, in the sum of One Thousand Dollars. The cost of said bond shall be paid out of town funds. Said bond, or a certified copy thereof, and said oath of office, or a certified copy thereof, shall be kept among the town records.

(L) Said Commissioners may, by resolution unanimously adopted, remove any person from the office of town Treasurer whenever in the judgment of said Commission the welfare of said town requires such action. And any person accepting the office of town Treasurer, by so accepting said office, consents and agrees that said Commission has such power so to remove him from office and of finally terminating any right on his part to hold the office of or to act as town Treasurer, and of finally terminating any right on his part to receive further salary or compensation, and of finally terminating any right on his part to receive or hold any funds, money, property, records, books, papers or other things or thing of said town. And the person so removed from the office of town Treasurer shall turn over to said Commission or to the Secretary Commissioner any and all funds, money, property, records, books, papers and other things or thing of said town in his possession within five (5) days (including Sundays and holidays) after he shall have been notified of the adoption of such resolution so removing him from office, which said notice may be served by said Commission either personally by any of said Commissioners or by the posting of a copy of said resolution at the last regular meeting place of said Commission. And any person, so removed from such office of town Treasurer, who shall fail or neglect so to turn over to said Commission or to the Secretary Commissioner all funds, money, property, records, books, papers and other things and thing of said town in his possession, shall be liable, and the surety or sureties on his bond shall be liable, for any loss or damage that said town may suffer thereby, and said town may institute appropriate proceedings either at law or in equity for this purpose in the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, and, in addition to any such proceedings as aforesaid, said town may institute, in the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, a mandamus proceeding against such removed town Treasurer and thereby compel such removed town Treasurer to turn over to said Commission or to said Secretary Commissioner all funds, money, records, books, papers and other things and thing of said town. Provided, however, that nothing contained in this paragraph of this Act shall be construed to limit said town to the proceedings herein mentioned. And provided, further, that nothing contained in this paragraph of this Act shall be construed as relieving any town Treasurer or former town Treasurer from criminal responsibility under any of the criminal laws of the State of Maryland.