

"Town of Takoma Park" is a party as they now have in cases where the State of Maryland is a party.

1929, ch. 169, sec. 6.

952. (A) The Council shall annually appoint a Clerk, a Treasurer, a Superintendent of Public Work and a Chief Police Officer.

(B) The clerk shall keep minutes of the proceedings of the Council and shall preserve the same in a good and substantial manner and such records shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested therein; he shall be custodian of the records of the town.

(C) The treasurer shall receive and collect all general and special taxes and all other moneys whatsoever due the town and shall disburse the same as directed and authorized by the Council; he shall submit a detailed monthly and annual report of all money received and disbursed.

(D) The Superintendent of Public Work, under the direction of the Mayor and Council, shall have direct charge of all public work of the town; he shall be custodian of the general property of the town, machinery, tools, motor equipment, etc., and shall be responsible for its care, use and up-keep; he shall have charge and direction of the working forces of the town and shall oversee any work performed under contract; he shall attend the meetings of the Council and shall advise the Mayor and Council as to the condition of the public work; he shall incur no expenditure of public funds except as authorized by the Mayor and Council.

(E) The Chief Police Officer shall act under the immediate direction of the Mayor and shall perform such duties as the latter may direct. He shall preserve the peace, prevent disorderly or irregular meetings and shall enforce all ordinances of the town; he shall serve such notices and process required by this Charter or by any ordinance passed by virtue thereof, as directed, and may be allowed the same fees therefor as are allowed for like service in the State or County.

(F) The Council may also appoint such other officers, including additional police officers, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Charter; the Mayor, in cases of emergency, may appoint special police officers for such periods, not exceeding thirty days, as he may deem necessary.

(G) The Council may allow any of the officers of the town such compensation for their services as may be deemed reasonable, and may appoint the same person to perform the duties of more than one office.

(H) The Council and all other officers of the corporation shall, before they enter upon the duties of their respective offices, take an oath that they will support the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Maryland, and that they will diligently and faithfully discharge the duties of their offices without favor, partiality, or prejudice.

(I) The Council may require any of its officers to give bond in such penalty and with such sureties as they may deem necessary, conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties. Said bond shall be filed with the Mayor. When any officer wilfully fails to discharge any duty of his