

provided by the commissioners for that purpose, and annually or oftener if required, to render to the commissioners an account thereof, and also to publish annually in one of the newspapers of the town, a detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements of all town moneys; but before said treasurer shall enter upon the duties of his office, he shall give bond to the State of Maryland in such penalty as the commissioners may fix, with securities, to be approved by them, conditioned that he will well and faithfully account for all moneys paid over to him as treasurer of said town, for the use and benefit of said corporation, and that he will also well and truly pay to the order of said commissioners all sums of moneys so received by him, and the said bond shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, and the said treasurer shall qualify and enter upon the duties of his office on or before the Monday next succeeding his election. The commissioners shall at their first meeting appoint from among their members a secretary, who shall serve for two years and until his successor qualifies, and who shall keep minutes of the proceedings of the commissioners in a well bound book, which shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested therein, and shall discharge such other duties as the commissioners may require. The said commissioners shall meet in some convenient place in said town on or before the first Monday next succeeding their election, and once a month or as often thereafter, as may be necessary to discharge the duties of their office, and shall receive no compensation for their services; they shall have power to appoint such officers, not elsewhere provided for, as they may deem necessary for the proper carrying into effect of the powers and duties conferred upon them by the subtitle of this article, and shall define their particular duties and fix their compensation.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 17, sec. 310. 1912 Code, sec. 594.

**989.** The commissioners are authorized to levy and cause to be collected the sum of one dollar for one dog, and one dollar for each additional dog, and two dollars for one bitch, and three dollars for each additional bitch, kept, owned, or possessed by each person returned as the owner thereof, within said corporate limits; and said commissioners are empowered to direct the officer appointed to preserve the peace of said town, to kill any dog or bitch within the limits of said corporation, for which no owner can be found, and also any dog or bitch whose owner shall fail for thirty days after personal notice of the tax due, to pay the same.

1902, ch. 123, sec. 311. 1912 Code, sec. 595.

**990.** They shall annually appoint a chief bailiff, and such a number of under bailiffs as they may deem necessary. The duties of said officers shall be to preserve the peace and good order of the town, and for this purpose said officers, and each of them, are hereby vested with the same power and authority that constables have under the laws of this State. Said bailiffs and under bailiffs shall be removable at pleasure by the commissioners. They shall allow the chief bailiff or under bailiffs such compensation as they shall think proper. The chief bailiffs shall give bond