

corporate limits of said city, subject to assessment for State and County taxes, and shall appoint three taxpayers residents of said city, and men of good judgment, to assess said property. Each of said assessors before entering upon their duties as such, shall take and subscribe to an oath before a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland residing in said city, a copy of which oath shall be returned to the Council, that they will well and truly, without partiality or prejudice, perform the duties of assessors, and diligently value and assess at a fair market price, all property subject to taxation in said city. They shall value and assess the real estate and improvements thereon separately, describing such real estate so that the same may be identified, and list all other property. The Council may provide, by ordinance, further for the manner of conducting said assessments and for the assessors obtaining information, and provide penalties for the non-observance of the same. The assessors within thirty days from the date of appointment, unless the time be extended by the Council, shall, return the assessment made by them to the Council under their hands, and the Council shall cause at least one week's notice of the return of the same to be given in one or more newspapers published in said city, naming a time, not to exceed ten days, in which they will receive and hear objections. The return of the assessors shall be open to the inspection of taxpayers, and any one feeling aggrieved at the action of the assessors in assessing his or her property may within the time limited in said notice appear before said Council, who may on hearing alter or change any assessment appealed from by decreasing or increasing the same.

No person shall be assessed whose property does not amount to one hundred dollars in the aggregate. The Council at any time of its own option or on petition of any taxpayer, when they shall deem the assessment of any owner's property to be wrong, may cause the owner to be notified by the Clerk to appear before them at a certain time to be named in said notice at which time they may adjust, add to, decrease or increase the assessment of the owner notified. The Council may provide by ordinance means for compelling owners of property to furnish a list of same and the value, under oath, and prescribe penalties for failure to make return or schedule of same.

1910, ch. 529, sec. 87 (p. 1094). 1914, ch. 754. 1916, ch. 458, sec. 87.

83. The Mayor and Council of Crisfield shall have power to pass all by-laws and ordinances not contrary to law for the good government of the City and to preserve the health, peace, safety and well being of the inhabitants thereof, to prevent and remove all nuisances and obstructions from the streets, lanes and alleys, navigable waters or wharves, and from lots adjoining streets or any other place within the limits of said City; to restrain all disorders, disturbances, annoyances, disorderly conduct and drunkenness therein; to suppress street walkers and bawdy houses; to prevent firing of guns, cannons, pistols, rifles, slingshots, firecrackers or other fireworks or other explosives therein; to suppress fires and prevent the danger thereof; to establish and maintain a fire department, to regu-