

the office of Mayor for any unexpired term of any vacancy caused by death or otherwise, or for the term of any person who may have refused to qualify; and in case of any election of Mayor by the Council, the person receiving a majority of the whole number of members of the Council shall be declared elected as Mayor of said town for any unexpired term, in case of a vacancy caused by death or otherwise, or for any term for which any person previously elected may have refused to qualify; and the clerk of the Mayor and Council shall immediately certify the vote so taken to elect any such successors, or to elect any person for any term so as aforesaid, under his hand and the corporate seal of the town, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Washington County; and the said Clerk of the Circuit Court, upon receipt thereof, shall forthwith notify the person so elected, who shall, within three days after the service of such notice, qualify by taking the oath hereinafter prescribed for town officers; and if such person elected shall fail to qualify as hereinafter provided, another election shall be held by the Council, to fill the vacancy; and until such vacancy is filled or in case of a sickness or absence of the Mayor or his inability to be present and preside at any meeting of the Council called by not less than four of its members when in their judgment such meeting is necessary, and said Councilmen are hereby authorized to call any such meeting, the Council shall choose one of its members as Mayor, who shall discharge the duties of the office pro tempore, and all Acts done by the Mayor and Council as thus constituted shall be valid and binding in law.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 22, sec. 158. 1886, ch. 409. 1894, ch. 115. 1918, ch. 2, sec. 158. 1924, ch. 58. 1927, ch. 680, sec. 158.

232A. The Mayor, by virtue of his office, shall preside at all meetings of the council and in case of a tie, except in the passage of ordinances, shall have the deciding vote; he shall see that the ordinances of the town are faithfully executed and shall report to the council at its first meeting each year the condition of municipal affairs; he shall have the power of vetoing any ordinances, as hereinafter provided in Section 335; and for his services he shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, and no other fee or compensation whatever.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 22, sec. 159. 1886, ch. 409. 1892, ch. 36. 1916, ch. 19, sec. 159. 1918, ch. 2, sec. 159. 1920, ch. 55, sec. 159. 1927, ch. 680, sec. 159.

233. There shall be elected one councilman for each of said Wards as follows: on the fourth Monday of March in the year 1929, and not before, and on the same day every four years thereafter and the term of office of the present councilmen from wards two and four is hereby extended until said election in 1929. All councilmen elected shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The qualifications of the voters for councilmen shall be the same as for Mayor, provided the voter shall have resided for six months next preceding the election in the ward in which he offers to vote; and in case of removal or until such residence is acquired, the voter must vote in the ward from which he has removed