owners of real estate in the town, and who shall have resided within the limits of the same eighteen months next preceding the election.

Jbid 9.3. How elected. 175. A justice of the peace, for the time being residing in said town, shall appoint by writing, under his hand and seal, three judges to hold the first election, who shall keep the polls open from nine o'clock in the morning until five in the afternoon, and shall conduct the said election in the same manner in which the judges of election are now directed to conduct an election for delegates to the general assembly as far as may be consistent with the provisions of this act, and the said judges shall make returns under their hands and seals of the persons elected to the clerk of Allegany county, to be kept by him.

Ibid. s. 4 Future elec176. All future elections shall be held and conducted as shall be from time to time directed by the laws of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Ibid. s. 5. President. 177. The said commissioners, elected according to the provisions of this act, on the first meeting after the said election, choose some one of the said commissioners president of the board, whose duty it shall be to preside at the meetings of the said commissioners, and preserve order and give such directions as may be deemed necessary by the said commissioners to carry in full effect the provisions of this act; he shall also have the power to try offenders for violating town ordinances, assess fines and penalties, in accordance with the provisions of this act, and the ordinances which the commissioners may legally enact.

Ibid s. 6. Vacancy, how filled. 178. The commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, may meet together from time to time, as often as occasion may require, upon the business of said town, and not less than once every three months, and if during the year for which they may be selected any of the commissioners should die, resign, remove from said town, or be otherwise disqualified, an election to fill the vacancy on ten days' notice thereof being given by the commissioners shall be held, which all persons

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