

said town; and a certificate of such qualification shall be returned by the justice of the peace to the commissioners, and be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

1884, ch. 520.

145. The commissioners shall meet on the Wednesday ensuing their election, or as soon thereafter as convenient, and as often thereafter as they shall determine by by-laws or ordinances, and shall each receive the sum of fifty cents per meeting; provided, that none of them shall receive more than six dollars per annum as salary; the said commissioners, at their first meeting, shall select one of their number as president, who shall preside at their meetings and exercise other functions as may be conferred upon him by the by-laws or ordinances; the president shall see that the ordinances are duly and faithfully executed, and shall report annually, in the month of May, the general state of the town, with accurate account of the money received and expended, to be posted up in one conspicuous place in said town for the information of the citizens, and shall make such suggestions as in his judgment are proper for the wise and economical government of the town.

Ibid

146. They shall, at their first meeting, appoint a town clerk for and during their term, who shall keep a record of their proceedings in a well bound book, to be provided by them for that purpose, and to be subject to the inspection of the inhabitants of said town and all persons interested therein; the said clerk shall also act as treasurer for said town, and shall give bond to the commissioners in the penalty of not less than five hundred dollars, with a surety or sureties to be approved by them, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed in the by-laws or ordinances of said town, and shall receive such compensation for his services as clerk and treasurer as shall be fixed by the commissioners; the said clerk and treasurer, before he begins to act, shall make oath before a justice of the peace that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office, and account for all monies that may come into his hands; and said justice shall return a certificate of said oath to the commissioners, to be recorded.