

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 14, sec. 39.

56. If any commissioner so elected shall die, refuse to act, resign or remove out of said town, his place shall be filled for the residue of the term by the remaining commissioners.

Ibid. sec. 40.

57. Each commissioner shall, before some justice of the peace for Kent county, take an oath that he will diligently, faithfully and impartially, to the best of his judgment, perform the duties of a commissioner of said town, without favor to or resentment against any person.

Ibid. sec. 41.

58. The said commissioners shall meet on the first Monday in every month, and as much oftener as may be requisite, for the transaction of business, and shall appoint a clerk, whose duty it shall be to keep fair and faithful minutes of their proceedings in well bound books to be provided by them for that purpose, and they may dismiss said clerk at pleasure.

1866, ch. 125. 1888, ch. 227.

59. They shall have power to adopt and enforce, by proper fines and penalties, all by-laws and ordinances necessary for the good government of said town; to protect and preserve the property and health of the inhabitants thereof; to prevent, abate and remove nuisances; to lay out and establish new streets and alleys, and to widen, straighten, grade, extend or close up any street or alley; to locate, lay out, construct and keep in repair all necessary drains, sewers, sidewalks, culverts and bridges; to provide for the appointment and compensation of bailiffs, police and other officers, and to define their duties; to erect and regulate markets; to provide for the inspection and cleaning of chimneys and private premises; to establish and regulate wards and fire companies; to restrain or prohibit gaming; to license bowling alleys, billiard and pool tables, theatrical and other public amusements; to regulate and protect water pipes, fire plugs, hydrants, sewers, fountains, pumps and water apparatus in the streets and alleys of the town; to fix, impose and collect fines, penalties and forfeitures for the breach of the by-laws or ordinances of the town; to levy