

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 16, sec. 31.

46. If the citizens of said village at any time neglect to make an election at the time fixed by this charter, the power of electing commissioners shall not cease, but shall continue, and the president and commissioners for the time being shall continue in office until the election and qualification of their successors.

Ibid. sec. 32.

47. Every commissioner, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall make oath before some justice of the peace for Prince George's county, that he will diligently and faithfully, according to the best of his judgment, perform the duties of a commissioner of said village, without favor, partiality or prejudice, and a certificate of such qualification shall be returned by the justice to the commissioners, to be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

Ibid. sec. 33.

48. The commissioners shall have power to meet and adjourn from time to time, and shall, at their first meeting after an election, choose from their own body a president, who shall preside at all their meetings, vote on all questions before them, and remain in office until superseded by the election of a new president after a new election of commissioners.

Ibid. sec. 34.

49. They may appoint a clerk, prescribe his duties, and allow him such compensation as they may think proper.

Ibid. sec. 35.

50. The clerk shall enter all ordinances passed by the commissioners in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, which shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested, and copies of all ordinances shall be put up at the most public places in the village.

Ibid. sec. 36.

51. The commissioners may annually appoint a bailiff, who, before entering upon his duties, shall make oath before a justice of the peace for said county, that he will faithfully and impar-