

in said town and pay taxes thereon, shall elect by ballot, at the court house in said town, on the first Monday in April of every second year, accounting from the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, three persons, residents and holding real estate in said town above the value of three hundred dollars, as town commissioners.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 17, sec. 33.

44. If any of said commissioners shall die, resign or be disqualified to act, the citizens of said town qualified to vote as aforesaid, shall proceed, as soon as convenient, to elect a person to fill such vacancy, and the office of a commissioner shall be vacated by his removal from said town.

Ibid. sec. 34.

45. Each commissioner, before he proceeds to act as such, shall make oath before a justice of the peace for Queen Anne's county, that he will diligently and faithfully, to the best of his skill and judgment, perform the duties of a commissioner of said town, without favor, partiality or prejudice, and a certificate of such qualification shall be returned by the said justice to the commissioners, and filed and recorded among their proceedings.

Ibid. sec. 35.

46. The said commissioners shall meet annually, on the second Monday in April, and on the first Monday in every third month thereafter, and as much oftener as they may think proper; not less than a majority shall constitute a board for the transaction of any business except an adjournment.

Ibid. sec. 36.

47. They may appoint a clerk, who shall keep the minutes of their proceedings in a well-bound book to be provided by them for that purpose, and they may also appoint a bailiff to said town and prescribe his duties, and shall pay the said clerk and bailiff such compensation as they may deem reasonable, and may remove either of said officers at pleasure.

1868, ch. 53.

48. They shall cause all nuisances and obstructions that may interrupt the passage or injure the health of the inhabitants of