

sub-title of this article, the powers of such voters shall not be forfeited, but the officers previously elected shall be continued until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

1884, ch. 509.

149. The burgess and commissioners shall hold the office to which they shall each, respectively, be elected for one year from the third Monday in May next ensuing their election, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified; and a failure to qualify for two weeks after the election of the burgess or any commissioner shall create a vacancy in such respective offices.

Ibid.

150. Four of the commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; and in case of vacancy in the office of commissioners, by death, removal out of the town, resignation, refusal to qualify, or other disqualifications, a majority of the qualified commissioners shall elect commissioners to fill such vacancy for the remainder of the term, and until a successor shall be elected by the qualified voters of said town and shall have qualified; and if a vacancy shall occur in the office of burgess by any of the causes of vacancy mentioned in this section, the chairman of the commissioners shall act as burgess for the unexpired term.

Ibid.

151. The burgess, commissioners and all other officers designated by the ordinances of said corporation or this sub-title of this article, excepting the attorney, before entering upon the duties of their offices shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I do swear or affirm," (as the case may be,) "that I will faithfully execute the office of —, to which I have been elected or appointed, to the best of my judgment and ability, without favor or affection."

Ibid.

152. The burgess and commissioners shall appoint a clerk to said town from among the qualified voters thereof, who shall keep accurate minutes of their proceedings; and shall enter all laws and ordinances passed by them in a well