

by the mayor, and at such other times as they shall adjourn to; they shall elect one of their number president, who, in the absence or sickness of the mayor shall be clothed with all his power and authority.

P. L. L., (1880.) art. 7, sec. 105.

224. Three members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the council shall pass rules and by-laws for their own government while in session.

Ibid. sec. 106

225. Neglect or nonuser shall not work a forfeiture of this sub-title of this article.

1874, ch. 343.

226. The mayor and common council shall have power to purchase and hold real, personal and mixed property, for the use and benefit of said corporation, and to convey and dispose of the same, or any part thereof; for the same purpose, they shall also have power to pass all ordinances, not contrary to law, necessary within the limits of said city to preserve the health, peace and safety of the inhabitants thereof; to prevent and remove nuisances and annoyances; to restrain all disorders and disturbances; to suppress gambling; to prevent the firing of cannon, guns, pistols, fire-crackers or other explosive instruments or materials in the corporate limits; to suppress fires and prevent the danger thereof; to make or cause to be made and repaired, all necessary drains, sewers, culverts and bridges; to license public amusements, shows and exhibitions, fix the sums of money to be paid therefor, and prescribe the mode of collecting the same; to provide for the good government and general police of the city; and shall have power to enforce the observance of all such ordinances by fines, penalties and forfeitures, not exceeding twenty dollars for any one offence.

Ibid.

227. They shall have power to provide for laying out, opening and extending, or widening any street or alley in the city, and may fix the dimensions thereof, which, in their judgment, the public welfare or convenience may require; to provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount in value of damage will be caused thereby, for which the owner or possessor of any property through