

SEC. 4. The council shall meet at some convenient place in said town on or before the first Monday in September next succeeding their election, and as often thereafter as may be necessary to discharge the duties of their office, not less, however, than once in every three months.

SEC. 5. The mayor shall preside at all meetings, and shall call such meetings from time to time as he may deem necessary, but in the event of the absence of the mayor at any meeting the members of the council present shall elect one of their number to preside during his absence, who shall for the time being, be clothed with all the powers and authority of said mayor; a majority 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.

SEC. 6. Neglect or non-user shall not work a forfeiture of this charter.

SEC. 7. The council shall annually appoint a clerk, who shall also be treasurer, who shall keep minutes of its proceedings in a well bound book which shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested therein, and shall record in a similar book all ordinances passed by the council, and the mayor shall sign his name to all ordinances as recorded, and the clerk shall attest his signature; and the clerk shall discharge such other duties as the council may require; the said council shall also annually appoint a bailiff and such under bailiffs and other officers as may be deemed necessary.

SEC. 8. The council shall allow their clerk and bailiff and other officers such compensation for their services as may be deemed reasonable.

SEC. 9. The council and other officers of the corporation before they enter upon the duties of their respective offices, shall take an oath that they will diligently and faithfully discharge the duties of their office, without favor, partiality or prejudice.

SEC. 10. The clerk and bailiff shall give bond to the mayor and council of Brunswick in such penalty and with such securities as may be required, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of the office of clerk and bailiff, respectively, and the said bond shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for Frederick county.

SEC. 11. The council shall receive all election returns and determine all questions arising thereon, and any person conceiving himself aggrieved by reason of such decision may appeal to the circuit court for Frederick county, which shall hear and determine the same and determine who shall pay the costs of appeal; in case of a tie in any election for mayor and members of council, another election shall be held after ten days notice pursuant to