

under this charter shall be designated by the burgess and commissioners of said town holding office at the time of the granting of this charter ; who shall also appoint the judges and clerks of said election ; the judges and clerks of all subsequent elections shall be appointed by the council to be elected under this charter.

SEC. 399. The council shall meet at some convenient place in said town on or before the first Monday in May 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.

Council to meet.

SEC. 400. The burgess 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 burgess 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 burgess. 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.

Powers and duties.

SEC. 401. Neglect or non-user shall not work a forfeiture of this charter.

Forfeiture.

SEC. 402. 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 burgess 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 by them deemed necessary.

Clerk.

SEC. 403. The council shall allow their clerk and bailiff and other officers such compensation for their services as may be deemed reasonable.

Compensation.

SEC. 404. 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.

Oath

SEC. 405. The clerk and bailiff shall give bond to the burgess and council of Point of Rocks in such penalty and with such securities as may be required, conditioned, for the

Bond.