

Washington County shall issue certificates only to the persons receiving the highest number of votes, and the officers who have received certificates shall at their first meeting as a board designate one of the persons receiving such tie vote to be the one elected, and shall notify the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county of their selection, and the said clerk shall issue immediately a certificate to such person, which certificate shall set forth the manner of his election, and said person shall hold his office for the same time as he would had he received the highest number of votes.

SEC. 76. Each commissioner, before he acts as such shall make oath before a justice of the peace in and for Washington 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 the burgess before acting as such, shall make oath before some justice of the peace of said county that he will well and faithfully, without favor, affection or partiality, execute the office of burgess to the best of his knowledge, and the assistant burgess shall take an oath similar to that of the burgess.

Oath of
office

SEC. 77. At the first meeting the officers shall appoint one of their number president, who shall preside at the meetings of the board, such meetings to be held from time to time, as often as occasion may require, but not less than once in every two months, and a majority of said officers shall constitute a quorum to transact business. And the said officers, or a majority of them shall have power to appoint a clerk, and assign his duties, and allow him such compensation for his services as they may think proper. All ordinances passed by the commissioners shall be entered in a book by said clerk, which shall be kept by him for that purpose, and shall be open at all times for the inspection of any person interested, and copies of said ordinances shall be put in the most public place in said town.

President.
Clerk.

SEC. 78. The said commissioners shall elect one of their number treasurer of the corporation, who shall keep an account of their receipts and disbursements of the funds of the corporation, and at the expiration of his term of office shall render a succinct and detailed statement thereof, which shall be posted in some public place in said town, but before said treasurer acts as such, he shall give bond for such amount as the commissioners shall prescribe for the faithful performance of his duties as treasurer.

Treasurer.

SEC. 79. The said commissioners may pass ordinances to preserve the health of the people in said town, ordering the