

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the free white male citizens of Leitersburg, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, and having resided twelve months in said town, next preceding the election, shall, on the first Monday in April next, and on the first Monday in April in each and every year thereafter, elect by ballot a Burgess, assistant Burgess and three Commissioners, who shall have resided within the limits of said town twelve months next preceding the election, and shall have attained the age of twenty-one years.

Day of election.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the oldest justice of the peace in commission residing in said town, shall appoint by writing, under his hand and seal, three judges to hold the first election, who shall keep the polls open from ten o'clock in the morning, until three in the evening, and shall conduct the said election in the manner in which the judges of elections are now by law directed to conduct an election for Delegates to the General Assembly, as far as may be consistent with the provisions of this act; and the said judges shall make return under their hands and seals, of the persons elected to the clerk of the circuit court of Washington county, to be by him safe kept.

First election.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That all future elections shall be held and conducted as shall from time to time be directed by the by-laws of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Future elections.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That the burgess shall preside at all meetings of the municipality, and have the privilege of the casting vote only, and in his absence, the assistant burgess shall preside under the same restrictions, but when the burgess is present, the assistant burgess shall have the same power and authority as one of the commissioners.

Burgess to preside at meetings.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted,* That the burgess and commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, may meet together from time to time, as often as occasions may require, upon the business of the town and not less than once in every three months; and if during the year for which they may be elected, the burgess, assistant burgess or any of the commissioners should die, resign, remove from said town or be non compos mentis, or displaced, an election to fill the vacancy shall be held by giving at least ten days notice, at which all persons qualified as is specified in the second section of this act, shall be entitled to vote.

Meetings.

Vacancy-how filled.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted,* That the said burgess and commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have power to appoint a clerk and assign his duties, and

Power to appoint clerk.