shall exist a vacancy in said office to be filled as hereinafter provided. The Mayor shall receive a yearly salary of \$100.00 and shall serve for a term of two years, or until his successor is duly installed.

39A. (Duties.) The Mayor shall preside at meetings of the Council and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as are or may be conferred and imposed upon him by this charter and the ordinances of the town, and shall cast his vote when necessary to decide any issue. He shall be recognized as the head of the town government for all ceremonial purposes, by the courts for serving civil processes, and by the Governor for the purposes of military law. In case of his absence or disability the Council shall elect from their members a Mayor pro tem to act in his place, and in case a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor it shall be filled in accordance with Section 55 of this charter. The Mayor shall enter upon his duties at the first regularly constituted meeting of the Town Council after the declaration of election.

## THE COUNCIL

40. (Creation, Salary and Composition of Council.) Except as otherwise provided in this charter all powers of the town shall be vested in a Council consisting of two members for each ward and the Mayor, elected at large from the town in the manner hereinafter provided. The term of each Councilman shall be for four years except as hereinafter provided and until his successor shall have qualified, and shall begin on the first regular meeting after the Town Council has certified to their election.

At the first election of the Town Council after the adoption of this charter, one Councilman from each ward shall be elected for a term of two years, and the other Councilman in each ward shall be elected for a term of four years. Thereafter, each succeeding Councilman shall be elected for a term of four years, as above stated. Regular elections for Councilman will take place every two years.

If a vacancy occur in the Council it shall be filled in accordance with Section 55 of this charter. Each Councilman shall receive a yearly salary, the amount of which shall be prescribed by ordinance, but not to exceed \$100.00. Until otherwise fixed by ordinance such salary shall be \$25.00 per year. No ordinance fixing or changing the salary of Councilmen shall become effective during the current term of office of the Councilmen enacting such ordinance. Councilmen shall be qualified voters of the town and residents of the ward they repre-