

fied person to fill said vacancy; and all cases of contested election of said elected officers shall be decided by the Judges of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County in the manner provided by the General Election Laws and pending any contest actually filed, and until the said Court shall decide who is legally elected, the officer or officers whose election is contested if he or she is holding the office by virtue of a previous election shall continue to hold the office until the contested election is decided, and until their successors shall be legally elected and qualified.

55A. (Continuance in Office.) If the citizens of said town at any time neglect to hold an election at the time fixed by this charter, the power of electing town officers shall not cease, but shall continue and the officers for the time being shall continue in office until the election and qualification of their successors, but in such case the Town Council are hereby directed to call an election as soon as practicable after the regular election date.

56. (Road Tax.) The Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County shall pay or cause to be paid annually to the Mayor and Town Council of Bladensburg three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) of the full amount of the road and bridge tax levied and collected each fiscal year from property taxed for such purposes within the limits of the Town of Bladensburg as created by this charter. Any portion of said three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) of said road and bridge tax collected by said County Commissioners after the fiscal year for which the same was levied, shall be accounted for and paid over to the said Mayor and Town Council, from time to time, in the year in which the same shall be collected. The money so received by the said Mayor and Town Council shall be used by it for the repair and improvement of the streets, avenues, roads and sidewalks within the corporate limits of the Town of Bladensburg.

57. (Levy and Collection of Taxes.) (1) Levy and collection of taxes shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 72-90W, inclusive, of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement). (2) The Mayor and Town Council are authorized and empowered to levy annually such taxes upon the assessable property within said corporation as they deem necessary provided that the amount of taxes levied for any one year shall not exceed 50 cents on the one hundred dollars which taxes shall be collected by the Town Treasurer. The levy shall be made by ordinance on or before the thirty-first day of May of each year, and