

diately under the name of each candidate extending to a square opposite the name of the candidate, and the President of the Commissioners of Ridgely shall appoint, at least three days prior to the holding of such election, three qualified voters of the town of Ridgely to act as Judges, and every person so appointed before he opens an election, shall appear before a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public for Caroline County and take an oath "that he will faithfully and impartially permit every person to vote at such election who shall be duly qualified, and that he will not suffer any person to vote at such election who shall not be legally qualified to vote", and in case of failure of any of said person or persons so appointed to appear and qualify the President shall issue a certificate to one or more persons to act as such Judge or Judges, who shall qualify as above and they shall immediately after such election return to the Clerk of Ridgely under their hands the number of votes cast and for whom cast, who shall file the same at once and issue certificates of election to the person or persons receiving the largest number of votes for their respective offices, in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of this Charter.

SEC. 6. In the event that no person shall file any certificate for candidacy for Commissioner to be elected hereunder within the time limited for the filing of certificates of candidacy, as aforesaid, then and in that event it shall be lawful for any person or persons to file a written statement of candidacy, as the case may be, for such office or offices at any time prior to the holding of the election therefor.

SEC. 7. If at any election for Commissioners of Ridgely there shall be a tie vote between any candidates for the same office, such tie vote shall be determined by lot to be drawn by the two or more tying candidates, which shall be conducted under the auspices and authority of the Judges of Election at which such tie vote was cast, and provided further that such drawing shall be held by the said Judges publicly immediately or as soon as practical after the said election at which such tie vote was cast.

SEC. 8. If any vacancy shall occur in any of the offices of Commissioners of Ridgely by death, resignation, failure to qualify, removal of the residence of the elected Commissioner from the corporate limits of said town, or for any other reason or reasons, the remaining Commissioners at their next regular meeting shall elect a suitable person or persons, as the case may be, to serve in the place of the Commissioner or Commissioners, whose office or offices have become so