

otherwise, the mayor shall cause a new election to be held in the ward from which said vacancy occurs, to supply the same during the remainder of the term, and shall give notice, appoint judges and designate a polling place as required in section thirty-nine of this act, and the judges shall qualify and certify the result as provided in the preceding section.

Vacancy—how filed.

Oath.

43. Every person elected a commissioner shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, make oath before some justice of the peace that he will diligently and faithfully, without favor, partiality or prejudice, perform the duties of a commissioner of said town, and a certificate of such qualification shall be returned by the justice to the commissioners and be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

Meetings.

44. The said commissioners shall meet on the Wednesday ensuing their election, and as often thereafter as they may determine, by by-law or ordinance, and shall each receive the sum of one dollar per meeting; provided, that no one of them shall receive in the aggregate more than twelve dollars per annum as salary.

Select mayor.

45. The said commissioners at their first meeting after their election shall, by ballot, select one of their number as mayor, who shall preside at their meetings and exercise such other functions as may be conferred on him by by-laws or ordinances.

Duties of mayor.

46. The mayor shall see that the ordinances are duly and faithfully executed, and shall report annually to the corporation in the month of January the general state of the town, with an accurate account of the money received and expended, to be published in one of the county papers for the information of the citizens, and shall make such suggestions as in his judgment are proper for the wise and economical government of the town.

Appoint clerk.

47. The said commissioners shall, at their first meeting, appoint a town clerk for and during their term, who shall keep a record of their proceedings in a well bound book to be provided by them for that purpose, and to be subject to the inspection of the inhabitants of said town, and all persons interested therein; the said clerk shall also act as treasurer for said town, and shall give bond to the com-