

B after ten years, and class C after five years, and shall be exempt from State, county and municipal taxation, and shall not be disposed of until bids therefor have been duly advertised.

Sinking fund.

72. To provide means for punctual payment of the interest on said bonds, and to create a sinking fund to pay the principal thereof at maturity, so much of the four hundred dollars heretofore required by section thirty six of this act, to be paid annually by the county commissioners for Dorchester county to the said town commissioners for corporate purposes, is hereby set apart and appropriated annually, and the said town commissioners are hereby required out of said amount to pay first, the semi-annual interest on said bonds, and second, the balance of said sum of four hundred dollars which may annually remain, after the payment of the interest on said bonds as aforesaid, shall be set apart for a sinking fund; and the said town commissioners shall, in addition to the said balance, annually set apart the sum of two hundred dollars out of the town levy for a sinking fund to pay said bonds as they mature, and they shall annually invest the said sums which are hereby pledged and appropriated for a sinking fund in first mortgages on real estate, Maryland State bonds, United States bonds, Dorchester county bonds, or the town bonds, for the redemption of the bonds or certificates of debt that may be issued under the provisions of section seventy one of this act, and a separate account shall be kept of said fund, and if the said commissioners shall fail or refuse to punctually apply the money appropriated as aforesaid to the payment of the interest on said bonds, or to set apart and invest the moneys mentioned and appropriated as aforesaid for a sinking fund, they shall for each of said offences severally be liable to a penalty of three hundred dollars, to be enforced by indictment of the grand jury for said county, or be recovered by an action of debt by the State's attorney for said county, in the name of the State of Maryland, and any penalty collected or enforced as aforesaid shall be paid over by the State's attorney to the treasurer of said town for corporate purposes.

Annually set apart.

Penalty for failure.

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