

or owners of the house, lot or parcel of land, or deduct the same from the rent then due or which shall next become due thereon.

Penalty for violating ordinances.

Duty of bailiff, &c.

Penalty.

Quorum.

Compensation.

SEC. 27. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners of Denton shall have power to provide in any of their by-laws and ordinances, for a fine or penalty, in amount, not exceeding ten dollars, to be imposed upon any person or persons for the violation thereof; and the said fines or penalties may be recovered, in the name of the said corporation, from the person or persons liable thereto, before any justice of the peace for Caroline county like other debts; but if any person or persons shall violate any of the ordinances or by-laws of said commissioners, by loud or boisterous talking, or by using profane or vulgar language, or by immodest or vulgar behavior or exposure, or by otherwise disturbing the peace and good order in said town of Denton, or by obstructing the streets or side-walks with unnecessary assemblies, then it shall be lawful and it is hereby made the duty of the bailiff of said town or the sheriff or any constable of Caroline county to arrest the person or persons so offending or violating the ordinances, as aforesaid, and to take such person or persons before some justice of the peace of said county, and upon conviction for said offense or offenses, the said offender or offenders shall be fined not less than fifty cents nor more than ten dollars, with costs, the fine to go to the use of said corporation, and in default of payment of fine and costs aforesaid, the person or persons so convicted shall be committed to the jail in said county until the fine and costs are paid; provided said imprisonment shall not continue longer than ten days.

SEC. 28. *And be it enacted*, That at the meetings of said commissioners of Denton, three shall constitute a quorum, and all questions submitted shall be decided by the majority of those present; but less than a quorum may appoint the time for a subsequent meeting and adjourn. And the said commissioners may appropriate from the funds in their hands a compensation to themselves for services not exceeding fifty dollars in all, to be apportioned among them respectively in accordance with the number of days each may attend the meetings.

SEC. 29. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners may appoint the clerk, treasurer, bailiff and