

dents therein, to be commissioners of said town, to serve without compensation for one year from the date of their election, and until their successors are elected and qualified; and three of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That all elections shall be held and conducted in all respects as shall from time to time be directed by the by-laws of the corporation not inconsistent with this charter.

Elections—how conducted.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That if at any election for commissioners it shall appear that any two or more persons voted for as commissioners have received the same number of votes, so that there is no choice for an entire board, but a vacancy in one or more seats, the old board of commissioners shall immediately proclaim a new election to fill such vacancy or vacancies, and the members of the old board of commissioners shall hold their office until an entire board is elected, and none of the newly elected commissioners shall qualify until the entire board is elected.

Vacancy—how filled.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That if anything shall prevent any election from being held on the day appointed, the commissioners shall appoint another day for holding the same, and shall, within ten days thereafter, give notice thereof at least five days previous thereto, and the commissioners shall fill all vacancies in their own body which may happen within the year.

Failure to elect

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners may meet from time to time as often as occasion shall require, upon the business of the corporation, and not less than once in every three months; and they shall, at their first meeting after an election, choose one of their number as president of the board, whose duty it shall be to preside at all meetings of the commissioners, preserve order, and enforce the by-laws of the corporation; and the president of the commissioners shall, by virtue of his office, have and exercise within the limits of the corporation all the jurisdiction and powers of a justice of the peace, except as to civil cases and the acknowledgment of deeds, and shall receive in all criminal cases the same fees which are now allowed by law to a justice of the peace in similar cases, but all such fees shall be paid into the treasury of the town; and all fines collected by the president of the commissioners, or by any justice of

Choose president.

Powers of the president.