

power to make contracts and employ labor at such compensation as they shall determine; and in no case shall the board of street commissioners expend in any one year a larger sum on repairs and improvements than the amount appropriated therefor.

SEC. 143d. The said board of street commissioners shall have control of the lighting of the town, with power and authority to enter into contracts with any person, corporation or association; to purchase and erect additional lamps, and make such changes or alterations as they may deem proper; employ lamp-lighters and other necessary labor; provided that the total expenditure for any one year shall not exceed the amount appropriated therefor.

Authority to  
light up town.

SEC. 143e. The board of street commissioners shall appoint a number of regular policemen, not exceeding five, to serve under such regulations and for such compensation as they may direct, such compensation, however, not to exceed thirty dollars per month, and subject to removal for cause. Said board shall have power to appoint special policemen, if in their judgment the exigencies of the town so require; provided, however, that the term of appointment shall not extend beyond a period of forty-eight hours.

Appoint police-  
men.

SEC. 143f. Every officer of the town, except the judges and clerks of election and policemen, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of the office to which he may be elected or appointed, shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation before the clerk of the circuit court for Washington county, or one of his sworn deputies: "I..... do hereby swear (or affirm) that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of..... in accordance with the best of my ability and understanding," which said oath shall be filled with the clerk of the mayor and council. If any person elected or appointed to any office shall fail to take the oath or affirmation required, within ten days from the date of his election or appointment, the office shall be declared vacant.

Oath of officers  
of the town.

SEC. 143g. All property within the limits of Hagerstown, or that may have a situs there by reason of a residence of the owner therein, except as herein-after provided, shall be taxed for municipal purposes, and the assessment for town purposes shall be the same as that for state and county purposes; and in case any real estate assessed for state and county purposes

Taxed for  
municipal pur-  
poses.