

such compensation as they shall think proper. The chief bailiffs shall give bond to the commissioners in such penalties and such securities as said commissioners may require, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

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312. The Town Commissioners of Upper Marlborough may purchase and hold any property, real, personal or mixed, and dispose of the same for the benefit of the town and the inhabitants thereof.

Purchase property.

313. The qualifications of a voter at any election held under the provisions of this sub-title of this article shall be as follows: he must own real or personal property to the value of two hundred dollars, located in said town, or he must reside in said town, or he must be engaged in a regular permanent business in said town; and in addition to the residential or business qualifications set forth above, his name must appear on the assessment books of Prince George's county of the year prior to that of the town election as owning real or personal property to the value of two hundred dollars. Furthermore, he must have been qualified in one of the three ways mentioned above for at least six months prior to the town election and otherwise qualified to vote for delegates to the General Assembly of Maryland before his vote shall be received at any town election.

Qualification of voters.

314. Any person who has resided in said town and been a qualified voter therein under the provisions of the preceding section of this Act for at least two years prior to his election as such, shall be qualified to serve as town commissioners.

When qualified.

315. All elections held under this charter shall be held at the usual polling place in said town, after at least ten days' public notice of the same in a newspaper published in said town given by the president of the commissioners; the judges thereof shall be three in number, and shall be designated and appointed by said president at least ten days prior thereto; the said judges shall appoint two clerks and shall keep the polls open from 3 o'clock P. M. to 6 o'clock P. M., when they shall be closed and the ballots publicly counted, and they shall, within two days after said election, make a true and correct return of the same under their hands, to be addressed and transmitted to the president of the commissioners, who shall convene the said commissioners on the second day after the said election to receive the returns of the same. The president shall then open the said returns in the presence of the commissioners, and the commissioners shall forthwith cause to be issued by their clerk certificates of election to the three persons appearing from the said returns to have received the highest number of votes, with the seal of the commissioners

Notice of election given in newspaper. Judges and clerks appointed.