

CHAP 356.
 Provide for
 codification
 of ordinances
 passed and
 printing
 of same, etc.

copy of all such ordinances, when approved by the Mayor and Council, shall be legal evidence of the passage of such ordinance and of the contents thereof, in any Court in this State; to provide penalties not exceeding twenty-five dollars in amount, or a term of imprisonment not exceeding thirty days, for the violation of ordinances, or both fine and imprisonment. The Town Council shall not borrow money nor incur debts, nor issue bills or other securities of a commercial character, in excess, in any year, of the receipts of the annual levy. The Council shall have full power to grant franchises for the public utility essential to the proper service of said town of Midland; but any franchise granted by said town shall be and remain subject to recall and resumption by said Council, and to purchase, including all the property and appurtenances and belongings, by said Council, at any time, upon six months' notice, at a cost not to exceed the cost of construction or duplication of the physical property involved, plus a sum of ten per cent. upon said cost, the same to be determined by a vote of the Council, to be ratified by a vote of the qualified electors of said town, and any franchise granted shall be construed in law to contain and be accepted upon the above conditions.

CLERK.

Clerk.

The clerk, before entering upon his duties, shall take the oath herein prescribed for members of the Council, and shall execute such bond as may be prescribed by ordinance. He shall countersign all orders for the payment of money, and in the absence of the Mayor become Mayor *pro tem.*, the Council appointing one of their body to fill the place of clerk; he shall keep a full and accurate set of accounts of the town records and papers; he shall keep a journal of the proceedings of the Town Council, which shall be open at all times for inspection of any citizen, and in a well-bound book shall enter a copy of the oath taken and therein subscribed by every elected officer of the town, with the witness thereto. He shall receive such compensation as the Council may provide.

TREASURER.

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall, before he enters upon his duties, take the oath prescribed for members of the Council and execute a bond in such conditions and for such amount as may be prescribed by ordinances of the corporation, issued by some responsible Maryland bonding corporation. He shall have the custody of all corporation funds, and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the Council, signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the clerk. He shall receive such compensation as the Council may provide.