

in May, 1906, and annually thereafter, give notice of the time and place of holding an election for commissioners of said town, by posting printed notices in three of the most public places in said town, and at some meeting of the said commissioners prior to the said last Saturday in May, 1906, and each year thereafter; they shall appoint three citizens of the said town of Betterton to act as judges of said election, who before acting as such shall take the general oath prescribed by Section 6 of Article 1 of the Constitution of Maryland, and shall qualify in the same manner prescribed for judges of State and county elections in the State; and the said judges shall have power to appoint two competent persons to act as clerks to said election, who shall qualify as provided by existing law for clerks of election, and shall perform their duties in the same manner as is therein prescribed. The polls shall be opened at 2 o'clock P. M. and close at 6 o'clock P. M. on such election days; and the said judges shall within three days after each election notify the person who shall have received the greatest number of legal votes of their election, and shall make return of such election, and shall deposit their polls as directed by the ordinances of said board of commissioners, and the same persons who shall respectively receive the highest number of votes shall be the commissioners for the said town for the ensuing year, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. And the elections held in such town shall not be required to be conducted in conformity to the requirements of Chapter 202, Article 33 of the Acts of 1896, or any amendment thereto.

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Notice given of election.

Hours of election.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That if it shall happen that any of the persons voted for and duly elected, shall from any cause fail to qualify, then and in that place, the person receiving the next highest number of votes shall be deemed to have been elected, and shall be so informed by the judges of elections, and shall thereupon be entitled to qualify as one of said commissioners.

Duties of judges of elections.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That in case of death, resignation, refusal to act or disqualification of any commissioner, the remaining commissioners, not less than a quorum, shall choose some person duly qualified and eligible, a commissioner for the unexpired term.

Vacancy to be filled.