

CHAP. 227

Oath to be  
taken and  
duties to be  
performed.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said Howard Turner, James M. Sutton and George William Owens, hereinbefore appointed commissioners of said town, shall meet within thirty days from the passage of this Act, and take the oath of office prescribed before a justice of the peace for Kent county, and organize as a board by the election of one of their number as president, who shall act as executive officer; and appoint a secretary and treasurer, policeman, and a collector of taxes and such other officers as may be found necessary, and do and perform all things required or allowed to be done by the Commissioners of Betterton under the provisions of this Act; and they are hereby invested with all the powers, and are to perform all the duties authorized or required to be done by the commissioners of said town under this Act, and shall continue in office until the first election under this Act, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

President  
granted cer-  
tain powers.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the president of said board of commissioners, by virtue of his office as president shall have all the jurisdiction and powers of a justice of the peace, except as to the recovery of debts, and may call upon any officer of said town entrusted with the receipts and expenditures of public money for a statement of his accounts as often as he may think necessary. He shall see that the ordinances of the board are duly and faithfully executed, and shall report annually to the board of commissioners, at their first annual meeting, the general state of the affairs of the town, with an accurate account of all moneys received and expended during the preceding year, to be made public for the information of the citizens.

Time of meet-  
ing.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners of said town shall meet regularly at least once a month in the months of June, July, August and September, and as often during the remainder of the year as they may deem proper, for the dispatch of business.

Duties of com-  
missioners.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That said commissioners shall fix the compensation and fees of all officers appointed by said board. They shall keep a journal of their proceedings and enter the yeas and nays on any question, resolution or ordinance at the request of any member.