

CHAP 468

Board of
canvassers.

59. The Council shall elect, not later than the next regular meeting before any regular election, without the confirmation of the Mayor, three registered voters of the town, who shall act as a board of canvassers, to serve for two years from the date of election, and who shall before acting as such take an oath as herein prescribed for the Mayor, before said Mayor, and the said board of canvassers shall serve without pay. And in case of death, resignation or failure to qualify the Council shall elect others to fill the vacancies thus occasioned in the same manner as if it becomes necessary for the board of canvassers to perform any of their duties between regular meetings of the Council and there be vacancies on said board the town clerk shall call a meeting of Council by giving twenty four hours' notice to fill such vacancy or vacancies.

Notice of meet-
ing given.Organization
of board.

60. The board of canvassers shall organize by electing one of their members president, and one clerk, and shall have such powers and duties as the board of canvassers, under the general law of the State of Maryland, so far as receiving the returns and canvassing of the voter is concerned; and the same right of appeal from the board of canvassers to the Circuit Court for Talbot county and the Court of Appeals of Maryland shall be had as is provided under the election law of the State of Maryland from the board of canvassers therein provided. All cases of contested election of any of the officers shall be decided by the Circuit Court for Talbot county, and the same right of appeal to the Court of Appeals and the same procedure shall be had as is provided in cases of contested elections under the general election laws of the State of Maryland.

Appeal may be
taken.Certificate of
election
issued.

61. And the said board of canvassers shall issue a certificate of election to each official elected, and issue two certificates, one to the Mayor and one to the Council, whenever any proposition is submitted to the vote of the people, showing the vote for and against, which certificate shall be on blanks prepared by the town clerk, and shall contain a plain statement of the facts and be signed by a majority of said board of canvassers. Any person who shall bribe or attempt to bribe, coerce or intimidate any voter to vote or not to vote for or against any person or proposition, or to vote or not to vote at any election held under the provisions of this Act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on con-

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