

viction before the police justice for Easton District of Talbot county, or in the Circuit Court for Talbot county, shall be fined for each and every offense not less than twenty-five dollars and costs, and shall be confined in the county jail until both fine and costs are paid.

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62. The Mayor shall be a person of known integrity, experience and sound judgment, not less than twenty-five years of age, and he must have been a qualified voter in one of the election precincts of Talbot county centering in the town of Easton for two years next preceding the election, and for one year next preceding the election be assessed upon the assessment books of said town with property to amount of not less than \$500.00, and shall hold his office for two years and until the qualification of his successor.

Qualification
of mayor.

63. The Council shall consist of five members and shall hold office for two years or until the qualification of their successors ; but no one shall be eligible to election to the Council who has not been a resident of the town and a qualified voter in one of the election precincts centering in the town of Easton for at least two years next preceding his election and a resident of the ward for which he is elected for at least one year next preceding his election.

Qualification
of members
of council.

64. The Mayor before entering upon the duties of his office shall make the oath or affirmation hereinafter prescribed before some justice of the peace of Talbot county.

Oath of office
taken.

65. The members-elect of the Council shall meet on the third Monday in May succeeding their election and shall each take before the Mayor the oath or affirmation herein prescribed for the Mayor, and they shall meet on the third Monday in each and every month thereafter, and the Council may hold such special meetings as they shall deem necessary and proper.

Oath of office
taken.

66. The president of the Council shall preside at all meetings of the Council, and in case of the death, resignation, absence from the town or removal of the Mayor shall act as Mayor. In the event of the failure of the Mayor-elect or any member-elect of the Council to take the oath above prescribed on or before the second regular meeting after his election, such failure shall be deemed a refusal to act and the Mayor shall proceed to order a new election to fill the

Duties of
president of
the council.

New election.