

not purchase or acquire any real estate, unless the said burgess and commissioners shall first provide by ordinance for said purchase, and the mode and manner of payment therefor; and all ordinances for the purchase of real estate shall provide for submitting the question of the said purchase to the qualified voters of the town, at some regular election for the election of burgess and commissioners of said town; and before any such ordinance shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the town, at least three weeks' public notice shall be given, by regular printed hand-bills or otherwise, posted up in all the most public places in said town, of an intention to submit said ordinance to the qualified voters of the town; and said notice shall set forth the ordinance in full, and the mode and manner of payment proposed; and no ordinance for the purchase of real estate shall be of any force or validity, unless it shall receive a majority of all the votes cast at said election.

Purchase of
real estate.

SEC. 3. The government of said town shall be vested in a burgess, assistant burgess and five commissioners, to be elected as hereinafter provided; no person elected and qualified as burgess, assistant burgess or commissioner, or any person holding any office by election, appointed or otherwise, under the provisions of this act, or by notice thereof, shall, during the term of his office, be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract in which the town is a party or is interested; and any person violating the provisions of this section shall be proceeded against by indictment in the Circuit Court for Washington county, and upon conviction, be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Government
of town.

SEC. 4. The taxable limits of the town of Sharpsburg are hereby declared to be as follows: Beginning at a stone marked "S. B. S." No. 1, planted at the northeast corner of the Antietam National Cemetery, the same being at the end of a line bearing north, seventy-one and a-half degrees east, twenty-five hundred and eighty-two feet three inches from a stone marked "S" standing in the center of the intersection of Main and Mechanics streets in said town, thence north, twenty-two degrees west, three hundred and twenty feet to "S. B." stone number two at the northeast corner of Mountain View Cemetery; thence north, sixty-seven degrees west, five hundred and fourteen feet six inches to "S. B." stone No. 3, at the northwest corner of Mountain View Cemetery; thence south, eighty-three degrees west, eleven hundred and thirty-five feet to "S. B." stone No. 4, planted on the west side of the Hagers-

Corporate
limits.