

elections in this State, are required to qualify before a justice of the peace; and the said judges shall have power to appoint two competent persons to act as clerks to said election, who shall qualify as provided for clerks of election by article thirty-three of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, and shall perform their duties in the same manner as is therein prescribed. The polls shall be opened at nine o'clock A. M., and close at six o'clock P. M., on such election days; and the said judges shall within three days after each election, notify the persons 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 seven 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 said town shall not be required to be conducted in conformity to the requirements of chapter 538 of the acts of 1890, or any amendments thereto.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That all male inhabitants of said town, citizens of the United States and of the State of Maryland, twenty-one years of age or over, who shall have resided in said town for six months next preceding any election at which they shall offer to vote, shall be entitled to vote for commissioners of said town; and any male citizen of the State of Maryland, who owns real estate in said town of the value of five hundred dollars, shall be eligible to the position of Commissioner of Chesapeake Beach. Qualifications
of voters.

SEC. 6. *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 case, 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 election, and shall thereupon be entitled to qualify as one of said commissioners. Failure to
qualify.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That in case of the 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, as commissioner for the unexpired term. Vacancies.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the said James W. Owens, John T. Hutchins, George S. Chase, A. H. Mattox,