

Organization of commissioners.

Caleb C. Magruder, Washington Dannenhower and Thomas Parran, hereinbefore appointed commissioners of the 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 Calvert county, and organize as a board by the election of one of their number as president, and appoint a secretary and treasurer, one bailiff, and they may, from time to time, appoint 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 Chesapeake Beach under this provision of this act; and they are hereby invested with all the powers, and are required to perform all the duties authorized or required to be done by commissioners of said town under this act, and shall continue in office until the first election under this act, and their successors are elected and qualified.

Powers and duties of president.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, The the president of said board of commissioners, by virtue of his office as president and mayor of said town, 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.

Meetings of commissioners.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners of said town shall meet on the second Monday of May in each year, and shall continue in session until such business as may come before them has been fully disposed of, not exceeding sixty days; provided, however, that they may, by ordinance or resolution, so arrange their sittings that the same may be held continuously or otherwise; and provided further, that the president of the board may convene said commissioners in extra session, whenever, in his judgment, the public interest may demand it.

Absent members.

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted*, That said commissioners may compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as they may by ordinance provide; they shall judge of the election returns, and settle their rules of