

61. At the first regular meeting of the commissioners after the annual election and the qualification of the newly elected members, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the said commissioners shall appoint one person as clerk to said board, one person as treasurer, one or more persons as bailiff, one person as tax collector, one or more persons as night watchman, and one of the justices of the peace of Crisfield district as police justice; provided, however, that one and the same person may act in capacity of both clerk and treasurer, and that a bailiff or watchman may also be collector of taxes; either of the above named officers, for cause, shall be subject to removal by a vote of four-fifths of the whole board; the commissioners shall prescribe the duties of the above named officers and fix their compensation by ordinance.

Clerk, treasurer, bailiff.

62. The commissioners shall keep a journal of their proceedings and enter the yeas and nays upon any question, resolve or ordinance, if required by any one member, and their deliberations shall be public.

Journal of proceedings.

63. The commissioners shall have control and charge of the lighting of the streets of said town, and shall have power to contract for the lighting of the same. The commissioners shall have power to contract with any water company for the use of water, for use in case of fire, for sprinkling the streets and other public purposes.

Contracts for lights and water.

64. The said commissioners shall have power to employ all labor or authorize a bailiff to do so, and purchase all materials that may be necessary, and to make contracts for public improvements and to fix the price for the same.

Labor and materials.

65. The commissioners shall have power to appoint special police, for a term not to exceed forty-eight hours, when they deem it necessary for the peace and good order of the town, and to prescribe their duties and to fix their compensation.

Special police.

68. The clerk shall keep a careful and accurate account of the proceedings of the commissioners, and record all the ordinances passed in well bound books, to be kept exclusively for that purpose; keep all books, records, papers and documents in his safe custody; make out the assessment books, issue licenses and permits, and receive the money therefor, and pay the same over to the treasurer and make monthly reports of the same. He shall file all accounts and claims presented against the town, and when the same is approved

Duties of clerk.