

duty it shall be to preserve the peace and good order of said town; and for this purpose he is hereby vested with the same power and authority as any constable may now have under the laws of this state, and shall receive such compensation for his services as the said mayor and council shall deem just, and the said mayor and council may, when they deem it necessary, appoint additional constables with like authority, at the discretion of said mayor and council.

Compensation

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted,* That the mayor and council of said town shall have power to levy and collect taxes in said town, not exceeding in any one year twenty cents on one hundred dollars on the assessable property of said town; and they shall once in five years, or oftener if they think proper, cause a new assessment of the real and personal property within the limits of the town, and for that purpose shall appoint one of the qualified voters of said town, being a freeholder therein, to make such assessments, who, before proceeding in the execution of his duties, shall take oath of office herein prescribed; and he shall take as a basis of said assessment the market value of said property according to his best skill and judgment; and the said assessor shall return to the said mayor and council a fair copy of his assessment in a well bound book within one month after his appointment, and shall receive for his work as assessor such compensation as the said mayor and council shall allow; and the said mayor and council shall have power to alter and amend the said assessment whenever they think that justice requires it; and the mayor and council may also appoint a tax collector, whose duty it shall be to collect the taxes on said assessment and pay the same over to the treasurer of said town; the tax collector, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall, in addition to taking the usual oath of office, enter into bond in a sum to be fixed by the mayor and council with two sureties, who shall be taxpayers of said town, conditioned to discharge his duties as tax collector faithfully, and pay over all moneys which may come into his hands by virtue of his said office. Said bond to be approved by the said mayor and council.

Levy and collect taxes.

Appoint collector.