

the Mayor nor any member of the Council shall, during his term of office, be employed by the corporation in any other than his official capacity, for compensation, nor shall either or any of them furnish any labor or materials to the corporation unless the contract to furnish the same be allowed him or them after competitive bidding, and whenever the opening, grading, piking or paving of any street or streets, or part of any street or streets is to be done, or work of any nature is to be performed, the estimated cost of which shall exceed one hundred dollars, which estimate shall be entered on the minutes of the Council, notice shall be given that bids will be received for said work, and the contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, who shall give bond, or the Council may reject all the bids and advertise anew, and may in any other case where the estimated cost of the work is less than one hundred dollars, award the contract for the same to the lowest competitive bidder, in their discretion.

Bond given. 16. The clerk and the bailiff shall give bond to the Mayor and Council of Brunswick, in such penalty and with such security as may be required, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of their respective offices, and the said bonds shall be approved and recorded in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick county.

Receive election returns. 17. The Council shall receive all election returns, and determine all questions arising thereon, and any person conceiving himself aggrieved by reason of such decision, may appeal to the Circuit Court for Frederick county, which shall hear and determine the same and determine who shall pay the costs of appeal. In case of a tie vote in any election for Mayor and members of the Council, another election shall be held after ten days' notice, pursuant to the foregoing provisions in regard to elections. In case of a vacancy in the office of Mayor or Councilmen by death, resignation, disqualification or removal from the town, the Council shall, within ten days thereafter, order a special election to fill such vacancy.

Power to pass ordinances. 18. The Council shall have power to pass all ordinances necessary, (1) for the good government of the town; (2) to prevent, remove and abate, or cause to be removed or abated, all nuisances or obstructions in or upon the sidewalks, streets, highways, lanes or alleys, drains or water courses, or in or upon any lot adjacent thereto, and to provide for imposing a fine upon any person causing, creating or maintaining any such