

men to succeed those three councilmen who are now members of the said City Council and whose term will expire on the first Monday of May, 1908, and on the same day every second year thereafter elect by ballot three persons as Councilmen to succeed those whose term of office is about to expire, so as to keep up at all times the number of said Councilmen to five, and it shall be the duty of the three newly elected Councilmen at their first regular meeting to designate by lot two of their number to remain in office for four years.

33. Any person elected as Mayor shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, appear before the clerk of the Circuit Court for Worcester county and make and subscribe the oath or affirmation and declaration required by the Constitution of this State, and having secured from said clerk a certificate of his said declaration and oath shall return the same to the secretary of the said City Council to be recorded among the proceedings of the Mayor and Council. And any person elected as Councilman shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, make and subscribe before the Mayor of said town the oath or affirmation and declaration prescribed by the Constitution, and having secured from said Mayor a certificate of his said declaration and oath shall return the same to the secretary of the City Council to be recorded among the proceedings of the Mayor and Council, and if any person so elected Mayor or Councilman shall fail to qualify as above required within thirty days from the day of his election, the office to which he was elected shall be declared vacant, and the vacancy shall be filled in the manner hereafter provided for the filling of a vacancy in said office.

34. If any vacancy shall happen in the office of Mayor or Council by death, removal, resignation, change of residence, failure to qualify or otherwise, the remaining Councilmen, at their next regular meeting, shall elect an eligible person as Mayor or Councilman, as the case may be, to serve until the next election, who shall qualify as hereinafter prescribed, which shall be certified to and recorded as in the preceding sections, and at the next election the qualified voters shall elect by ballot an eligible person to fill the said vacancy for the unexpired term.

35. The Mayor shall see that the ordinances are duly and faithfully executed and observed, and within sixty days after each election shall report to the Council the general condition of municipal affairs, accompanying his report with such recommendation as he may deem proper for the public good and welfare of the town; he shall have the power of vetoing any