

5. The Burgess shall qualify by taking and subscribing the oath of office before the clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick county, or before one of his sworn deputies, and before proceeding to act shall give bond to the Burgess and Council of Myersville, with securities to be approved by the Councilmen, in the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the faithful discharge of his duties; and the Councilmen and all other officers of said corporation, before entering upon the discharge of their respective duties, shall severally take and subscribe before the Burgess an oath that they will faithfully discharge the duties of their respective offices without partiality. If the persons elected Burgess and Councilmen, respectively, or any of them, shall fail to take the oath as prescribed in this section within ten days after notice of their election shall have been communicated to them in writing by the person who, under the ordinances of the town, may be appointed to hold such election, the said person or persons so appointed, within five days thereafter, shall order an election to fill the vacancy or vacancies caused by such failure to qualify.

6. The Burgess and Councilmen may meet as often as the business of the corporation may require, at which meeting the Burgess shall preside; and if, during the year for which they have been elected, any of the Councilmen, or if the Burgess, shall die, resign or remove from said town, an election shall be called by the Burgess, or in the event of his death or resignation, by the Councilmen, to fill the vacancy, at which election all persons qualified under section 3 of this Act shall be entitled to vote; said person or persons to hold office until the next general election. In the event of the death, resignation, removal or disqualification of the Burgess, the Councilmen shall select one of their own number to serve as Burgess until the vacancy is filled as herein provided; the Councilmen at their first meeting after their election and qualification shall select one of their own number as Burgess pro tempore to act as Burgess in case of the temporary absence or indisposition of the Burgess, and who shall, while so acting, have and exercise all the powers of the Burgess conferred by this article. The Burgess shall call meetings of the Burgess and Councilmen whenever the business of the corporation may require, and he shall also call a meeting upon the application to him of any two of the Councilmen.

7. The Burgess and Councilmen shall elect from their own number a secretary, who shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Burgess and Councilmen, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Burgess and Council-