

ducted and held, after first having taken oath as required by law before the Mayor, or a Justice of the Peace of Allegany County, to faithfully perform their several duties, respectively, and shall make return under their hands and seals to the Clerk of said corporation of the persons elected or matters decided at any election. The polls for each election shall be opened at one o'clock in the afternoon and closed at seven o'clock in the evening; the said Judges and Clerks of Election shall receive such compensation as shall be provided by the Mayor and Council.

SEC. 184-A 7. The Council shall adopt the County assessment of real and personal property in said town, and may annually levy an equal tax on the real and personal property actually within the limits of said town, based upon said assessment, to such an amount as may, from time to time, be deemed necessary for general or special purposes, not exceeding fifty cents on a hundred dollars of the taxable property in said town in any one year; and the Council shall make and declare a levy at its regular meeting in July in each year, or as soon as the County assessment for the year shall have been secured, and the items entered into such levy shall be published for the information of the taxpayers of the town, and the levy when made shall be a lien on any and all property of the persons against whom it is levied, the collection of which may be enforced in the same manner in which liens for County taxes are now enforceable by law, or may hereafter be made enforceable by law, or the said taxes may be collected from the persons chargeable therewith by suit at law, or by a bill in equity to enforce said lien by a sale of the property, in the name of the Mayor and Council of Midland, and interest may be charged on all taxes which are not paid within thirty days of the date of the levy; provided, however, that the Mayor and Council, if it shall see fit, may, in order to encourage the prompt payment of taxes, by proper order duly passed, allow the following discounts, namely, a discount of five per cent. upon all taxes paid before August 1st, a discount of four per cent. on all taxes paid before September 1st, a discount of three per cent. upon all taxes paid before October 1st, a discount of two per cent. upon all taxes paid before November 1st, in each year; and when any property lies partly within and partly without the limits of the town, the Council shall have authority to assess the part within the limits of the town at a proper proportion of the County assessment and valuation.