

places in said town or by advertisement in some newspaper published in Caroline County. And whenever real estate is sold as aforesaid the Treasurer or other person making such sale shall report the same to the Circuit Court for Caroline County which shall take and exercise jurisdiction over said sale and cause such proceedings to be taken and had looking to the ratification thereof as is or may be hereafter provided by law for the ratification of tax sales in this State; provided, however, that no sale of real estate as aforesaid shall be ratified to the purchaser thereof, his heirs or assigns, if the person against whom the said tax was assessed, his heirs or assigns shall within six months after said sale pay into Court to be paid to the parties entitled thereto all taxes, due at the time of said sale, together with a commission of ten per cent. to the party making said sale and all costs including an attorney's fee to the counsel to the Commissioners of Preston, and interest to the purchaser on the amount of the purchase price at the rate of ten per centum per annum.

SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted,* That the Commissioners shall have power to purchase and hold real, personal and mixed property for the use and benefit of said corporation, or the recreation, entertainment and amusement of its citizens, and may convey and dispose of the same or any part thereof, and to receive property gift, devise or decd, in trust for any municipal object. They shall have power to pass ordinances and by-laws to prevent and remove nuisances and obstructions from the streets, lanes and alleys, and from lots adjoining streets, lanes and alleys and from any other place within the limits of said town, and regulate and prohibit the excavation and opening of streets and alleys and any work or anything being done therein or thereon; and to maintain a jail or lock-up for the temporary detention, when necessary, of persons who would be by law liable to detention in the County jail; to restrain drunkenness, all disorderly annoyances or disorderly conduct; suppress street walkers, bawdy houses and prevent gambling; prevent the firing of cannons, guns, pistols, fire-crackers, fireworks or other explosives within the corporate limits; suppress fire, and prevent the danger thereof; establish or aid and assist the maintenances of a fire department; make or cause to be made and repaired, all necessary drains, sewers, culverts and bridges; for controlling the erection and location of buildings, fences and stock enclosures and to regulate the erection or repair of buildings and grant permits therefor, specifying the material of which same shall be built and purposes for which same is to