

upon the same day in every alternate year thereafter elect, by ballot a Mayor of said city, and at the same time two Councilmen, one of whom shall be designated as the Commissioner of Accounts, and the other of whom shall be designated as the Commissioner of Streets. Said Mayor and Councilmen shall take the oath of office hereinafter prescribed for town officers and remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified. All elections shall be by ballot and no person shall be entitled to vote at any election who is not duly registered as herein provided.

SEC. 157. In case a vacancy in the office of Mayor and Councilman by death or otherwise occurring six months prior to the next general election or the expiration of the term for which said officer may have been elected; then in said case the Mayor and Council shall order an election to fill said vacancy for the unexpired term and the said election when ordered shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions hereinafter enacted in reference to election of city officers but if said vacancy by death or otherwise shall occur less than six months prior to the time therein provided for the election of city officers then in such case the Commissioner of Accounts is to discharge the duties and offices of Mayor as hereinafter set forth for the unexpired term for which said Mayor shall have been elected; and if as hereinafter set forth, an election to fill a vacancy caused by death or otherwise shall occur, the Clerk of the Mayor and Council shall immediately certify the vote so taken to elect any such successor, or to elect any person for any term as aforesaid; under his hand and the corporate seal of the town, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Washington County; and the said Clerk of the Circuit Court, upon the receipt thereof, shall forthwith notify the person so elected, who shall, within ten days after the service of such notice, qualify by taking the oath hereinafter prescribed for town officers; and if such person elected shall fail to qualify as hereinafter provided, another election shall be held by the Mayor and Council, to fill the vacancy; and so on until such vacancy is filled.

SEC. 158. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the Mayor and Council and shall have the same right as a Councilman to make and vote on motions; he shall have general supervision over all departments of the city government and may request at any time full and particular information from any Councilman as to the affairs of his department; but the Mayor shall have no power to countermand any orders given by a Coun-