

be kept open for the inspection of all parties interested; he shall keep all the accounts of the Corporation, shall make out the tax list, and perform such other duties in connection with his office as the Mayor and City Council shall require, and he shall receive such compensation as the Mayor and City Council shall by ordinance prescribe.

Section 308. The Mayor and City Council shall have power to pass all such ordinances, directly or impliedly, authorized by this sub-title and not contrary to the Constitution and laws of this State, as they may deem necessary for the good government of the City. They may pass ordinances to prevent, remove and abate all nuisances and obstructions on or from the streets, lanes, alleys, drains or water courses, or on, or from any lot within the limits of the city; to remove or cause to be removed, any houses or other buildings that may in their judgment become dangerous; to cause the streets, lanes and alleys to be paved, graded, drained or sewered; to cause the sidewalks along the public streets and highways of said city to be graded, paved, repaired or improved, curbs to be set and gutters laid; to erect and establish houses of correction, hospitals or pest-houses, without or within the city, and to provide for the government of the same; to establish and regulate a station house or lock-up for the temporary confinement of violators of the laws of the State or of the ordinances of the city; to suppress vagrancy; to protect and preserve the health of the citizens and the property rights and privileges of the city; to prevent the storage of explosives or combustible matter in such quantities or places within the city as they may deem dangerous; to regulate and provide for licensing pawnbrokers, peddlers of nostrums, notions, patents, secrets or pretended inventions and remedies on the streets, lanes or sidewalks of the city; to regulate and provide for the issuing of licenses or permits for all hawking, peddling and vending of wares and merchandise of every description on the streets, lanes, alleys or sidewalks of the City, and to issue licenses or permits to all carts, drays, wagons and other vehicles and itinerant peddlers who may go from house to house to vend or sell wares or merchandise; to levy and collect a tax on the assessable property of said City, as may be necessary to pay the interest on the City bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for their redemption at maturity; for the preservation of peace and good order, securing persons and property from violence, danger or destruction; for the suppression and restraint of