

whom shall qualify as such committeeman by taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution of this State; in case any of such persons shall fail to so qualify within twenty days after the passage of this Act, or any of their successors shall fail to so qualify within twenty days after election as such committeeman, as hereinafter provided, or in case of any vacancy through death, resignation or otherwise, the remaining committeemen shall fill such vacancy by the appointment of another, qualified under this Act to hold such office, who shall hold office for such term or unexpired term. On the first Monday in May in the year 1917 and on the same day in each year thereafter, an election shall be held in the said village of Drummond for the election of three committeemen, each of whom shall have been a resident of said Village of Drummond for six months previous to said election, and over the age of twenty-one years, the three said committeemen to be and constitute the Drummond Citizens' Committee for the ensuing year, each of whom shall qualify within twenty days after said election by taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution of Maryland, before an officer of the law duly commissioned to administer same. That the annual election of said committeeman, as herein provided shall be held under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland, but the returns thereof shall be made to the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County; all residents of said Village of Drummond for six months previous to said election, and over the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible to vote at such elections; said elections shall be conducted by three judges of election and two clerks, to be appointed by said committee, who shall serve without pay; and the polls of said election shall be open from seven o'clock P. M. to nine o'clock P. M. on the first Monday in May as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That said Drummond Citizens' Committee is empowered to grade, pave, macadamize or otherwise improve any existing street, road or lane, which has been or which may be acquired and open for public use, and to lay sidewalks and curbs thereon; provided that said Citizens' Committee, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners and after due publication thereof, shall have power to assess the cost of said grading, paving, macadamizing or improving, against the property abutting on said street, road, lane or sidewalk, in proportion to the frontage of said abutting property on the same. Any tax so assessed, as above