

annually thereafter on the first Monday in June, three persons to act as Commissioners of said Town, all of whom shall have been qualified to vote in a town election in said town for at least one year next preceding their election.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Commissioners of said Town shall annually on the first Monday in May appoint three persons from among the voters thereof to act as judges of election. And the said judges of election shall give at least ten days' notice, by posting not less than five written or printed notices in conspicuous places in said town of the time and place at which said election shall be held; and the said judges of election before opening the polls, shall make oath or affirmation before some justice of the peace for Prince George's County, that they will fairly and impartially act as judges of said election; and the said judges shall keep the polls open from three o'clock P. M. until seven o'clock P. M., and shall record the names of the voters and after the closing of the polls, shall count the ballots and announce the result, and make and sign a certificate thereof to be filed among the records of said corporation. And in case of any tie vote being cast, so that no three men shall receive the highest number of votes cast, the said judges of election shall call another election in not more than fifteen days, and shall give notice as above provided, at which election there shall be elected such number of commissioners, as with those receiving a majority at the regular election, will fill the board of three commissioners.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, If any vacancy shall occur by the death, resignation, removal, or refusal to act of any commissioner of said town, the remaining commissioners shall elect a proper person to fill said vacancy; and all cases of contested election of said commissioners shall be decided by the judges of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County; and pending any contest, and until the Court shall decide who is legally elected, the commissioners holding the office by virtue of a previous election shall continue to hold the office until the contested election is decided, and until the successors shall be legally elected and qualified.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That if the citizens of said town at any time neglect to make an election at the time fixed by this charter, the power of electing commissioners shall not cease, but shall continue, and the commissioners for the time being shall continue in office until the election and qualification of their successors.