

without good and sufficient reasons to excuse him to attend and act, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace or in the Circuit Court for Frederick County, he shall be fined fifty dollars, and shall stand committed until both fine and costs are paid. If any vacancy occurs in the office of judge or clerk of election it shall be filled by appointment by the Mayor alone. The compensation for each judge who serves shall be \$3.00 per day, and for each clerk and the gate-keeper who serve, \$2.50 per day.

#### *Election Returns.*

The judges of election at every election for either Mayor, or Councilmen, or both, or at any election where any proposition or question is submitted to the decision of the voters, immediately after the polls are closed shall count the ballots cast in each Ward for which they were appointed Judges, and the Clerk shall tally the votes cast for each candidate, and the votes cast for or against any proposition or question submitted to the voters, after which the judges shall make, on blanks furnished by the Mayor and Council, and file a certificate setting out the whole number of votes cast in each Ward, and the number of votes cast for each Candidate, and also the number of votes cast for and against any proposition or question submitted to the voters. The certificate shall state that the person receiving the highest number of votes cast for Mayor is elected Mayor, and the person receiving the highest number of votes cast for councilman in each Ward is elected councilman from that Ward, and the proposition or question submitted to the voters receiving the approval of the majority of votes cast is carried. As the ballots are counted, they shall be strung by one of the judges, and when the counting is finished the said ballots, together with the tally sheets, shall be put into the ballot box, and the box shall then be securely locked, and the Judges' certificate, the key to the ballot box, the ballot box and poll book shall be delivered to the two judges at large, who shall within a reasonable time after the closing of the polls return the said ballot box, key, and certificate to the Town Clerk.

Any person who bribes, coerces or intimidates any voter, or attempts to bribe, coerce or intimidate any voter at any election held under the direction of the Mayor and Council of Brunswick shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace or in the Circuit Court