

COMMON COUNCIL.

SECTION 8. *And be it further enacted,* That the Common Council of Riverdale shall meet publicly at least once a month, and all of its meetings shall be public, and the Mayor for all purposes, except as hereinbefore noted, shall constitute one of the council. A majority shall constitute a quorum and a quorum shall be necessary to transact business. If a vacancy exists in the Council, the Mayor and Council shall fill the same for the unexpired term. The said Council shall be the sole judge of the qualifications of its own members. They may provide by ordinance for contested elections, they shall have the power to appoint one or more bailiffs, who shall have the same authority, within the town limits now possessed by constables of Prince George's County as to the ordinances of said town; the Council shall have power to elect either one of their number or some person not a member of the Council as their clerk and fix the compensation of the same; shall have power by ordinance to provide for the good government of the town, for preservation of peace and order therein and for the maintenance of the good health of the residents thereof, provide and regulate the service of lights for said town and provide by ordinance for any regulation or regulations governing the same; regulate, license or prohibit any and all such business and occupations within the corporate limits thereof as shall injuriously affect the sanitary or moral conditions thereof, and by ordinance enforce any such regulations. Said Common Council shall have the power to construct and maintain streets, roadways and sidewalks; said Common Council may provide by ordinance for the removal of nuisances, for the removal of obstructions from the streets, lanes, or sidewalks, for prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons, for prohibiting and regulating the discharge of firearms, firecrackers, torpedoes and other explosives, for preventing swine, cattle, horses and other animals from running at large on the streets, roadways and sidewalks of said town; said Common Council may make ordinances regulating all public amusements and exhibitions, for the suppression of vice and immorality and for the apprehension of vagrants. Said Common Council may pass all ordinances necessary to carry out and enforce the foregoing provisions and to give full force and effect to the powers and authority conferred on said corporation and may enforce said