

CHAP. 139.

Sec. 25. *And be it enacted*, That unless said rail road is commenced within one year from the passage of this act, and finished within five years thereafter, this act, and all the rights and privileges which it confers on said company, shall cease and be actually void.

Road to be commenced within one year, otherwise this act to be void

May borrow money and effect loans

Sec. 26. *And be it enacted*, That the president and directors shall have full power and authority to borrow money and effect loans so far as the same shall be necessary to the completion of the road herein authorised to be constructed, and for the purpose of securing the repayment of such sum as may be so borrowed and obtained, with interest thereon, may pledge their interest in the said roads, or either of them, and the profits thereof.

CHAP. CXL.

An Act to incorporate Abingdon, in Harford County.

Passed Mar 9, 1829

Abingdon constituted an incorporate town

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Abingdon shall be and is hereby constituted an incorporate town, and the inhabitants thereof constituted a body politic and incorporate, by the name of The Burgess and Commissioners of Abingdon, and as such shall have perpetual succession, and by their corporate name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in the several courts of this state, and may have and use a common seal, and may alter and change the same at their pleasure.

Election for Burgess, &c

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the free white male citizens of Abingdon aforesaid, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, and having resided six months in the said town next preceding the election, be authorised to elect, on the first Monday in April, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, and on the same day annually forever thereafter, the burgess and five commissioners for the said town, who shall be inhabitants thereof, above twenty-five years of age, and holding real property in said town, and the election to be held at the most central part of the town, and the polls to be kept open from nine o'clock in the morning until two in the afternoon.

Judges of elections

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That a justice of the peace for the time being, residing in or near Abingdon, shall appoint, by writing under his hand and seal, one judge to hold the first election for burgess and commissioners, and the said judge shall conduct the said election in the manner in which the judges of an election district are now by law directed to hold an election for delegates to the general assembly, as far as may be consistent with the other provisions of this act; and the said judge shall make return, under his hand and seal, of the persons elected as burgess and commissioners, to the clerk of Harford county, to be by him safely kept;