

and who shall be a registered voter of said Prince George's County shall be qualified to vote for candidates for all elective offices of said town, and the judges of election shall be the sole judges of the qualifications and right of any person to vote in any election.

SEC. 5. Election for town officers, except as hereinafter provided for the referendum and the first election held hereunder, shall be held on the first Tuesday in May at a place or places to be designated by the commissioners, at which election the polls shall remain open from two o'clock until eight o'clock P. M.

The election shall be conducted by three judges of election and two clerks to be appointed by the commissioners of said town. At least five days before any election the said commissioners shall cause to be posted in three public places in said town the notice of said election, designating the place or places of voting, the hours the polls are open and the names of the judges and clerks. In the event that any judge or Clerk after appointment is unable or declines to serve the remaining judges shall name some one to take his place. Suitable ballot boxes, polling places and printed ballots shall be provided by the said commissioners. Any person desiring to become a candidate for any elective office shall, at least five days before election, file, or cause to be filed with the commissioners, the chairman or clerk thereof, a petition stating that he or she is a candidate for the office, which petition must be signed by such person and endorsed by at least three persons entitled to vote in the next town election. Upon the filing of such petition the commissioners shall print such person's name upon the ballot. Immediately upon the closing of the polls the ballots shall be publicly counted and the said judges shall within two days thereafter make a true and correct return of the votes so cast in a sealed envelope to the chairman of the said commissioners, and within ten days thereafter the said commissioners shall meet and canvass said return and declare those qualified persons receiving the highest number of votes duly elected. In case two or more persons shall have received the same number of votes so that there is no choice for the office, a new election shall be immediately proclaimed by the said commissioners from among such tie candidates, which election shall be held on five days notice and in all respects as aforesaid except as to the day of election and the convening of the commissioners.

SEC. 6. The commissioners elected shall hold office for two years from the third Tuesday in May, except as hereinafter