

titled to have their names placed upon the official ballots, and the three receiving the highest number of votes at the general town election shall be the Councilmen. At said meeting to be called as aforesaid the Mayor shall appoint a clerk and two judges, and they shall prepare slips containing the names of the various nominees and the office for which they are a candidate, with a block at the end of each name for the X mark of the voter, which slips shall be circulated among the persons present at the said meeting and entitled to vote at the said regular city election, and shall thereupon be marked with an X in back of the name of the person whom they desire for the respective office, and said slips shall then be deposited in a ballot box to be furnished by the Mayor and Council, and shall thereupon be counted by the judges of said election, and the person receiving the highest number of votes cast at said meeting shall be entitled to have their name placed upon the official ballot for the next town election as hereinbefore set forth.

MAYOR.

184A4. No person shall be eligible to the office of Mayor unless he has attained the age of twenty-five years, and shall have resided in the town limits of Midland, as prescribed in the plat and survey thereof on record in the clerk's office of Allegany County, for three years next preceding his election, and shall also be assessed on the tax books of the town of Midland with an amount not less than two hundred dollars in real property. The Mayor elected at any regular election shall hold office for one year from the first Monday in June next after his election and until his successor is elected and qualified. Should the Mayor or any of the Council, or any other officer of said town be continuously absent from said town for a period of sixty days or absent from three consecutive meetings which he is required to attend under the charter and ordinances of Midland then the office held by such official shall upon motion duly made and seconded be declared vacant and a notice of this action shall thereupon be sent by the Clerk by registered mail to such official and the Council and Mayor or acting Mayor shall thereupon make such appointments as the majority of them shall decide to fill such vacancy until the next general town election.

Should the Mayor be absent for a shorter period than sixty days, then and in such case the Clerk shall act as Mayor during the absence of that official.