

bers of the Council present shall elect one of their own number to provide during his absence who, for the time being, shall be clothed with all the powers and authority of the Mayor.

(B) The Mayor, as executive officer of the town, shall be charged with enforcement of the laws and ordinances of the municipality; he shall annually appoint such standing committees and from time to time such special committees as the Council may determine and shall designate the chairmen and the members thereof, and may change such chairmen or members as his judgment may determine; he shall have general supervision of the administration and officers of the town and for reasons to him good and sufficient may suspend any officer from duty, setting forth the reasons for such suspension to the Council for its action, not later than its next regular meeting after such suspension; he shall submit to the Council, from time to time, such recommendations as, in his judgment, will advance the general interests of the town; he shall preside at all meetings of the Council and shall call such special meetings as he may deem necessary; he shall administer the oath of office to the members of the Council and to the officers of the town. The Mayor shall have all the powers of a Justice of the Peace in criminal cases where the Town of Takoma Park is a party. He shall receive the same fees as Justices of the Peace are allowed for similar service, and an appeal from his judgment may be taken to the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, which Court shall hear and determine the matter as upon appeal from a Justice of the Peace; provided, however, that the Justice of the Peace residing in said town shall have the same power to hear, try and determine cases where the "Town of Takoma Park" is a party as they now have in cases where the State of Maryland is a party.

6. (A) The Council shall annually appoint a Clerk, a Treasurer, a Superintendent of Public Work and a Chief Police Officer.

(B) The Clerk shall keep minutes of the proceedings of the Council and shall preserve the same in a good and substantial manner and such records shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested therein; he shall be custodian of the records of the town.

(C) The Treasurer shall receive and collect all general and special taxes and all other moneys whatsoever due the