

March in each and every year the Mayor and Council of Chestertown shall make appropriations for each and every department of the town government, and shall also provide a contingent fund, not to exceed ten per cent. of the total amount of the budget, and said provision when so made shall not be changed except in case of emergency, nor shall any said appropriations be overdrawn by any department before January 1st, of the succeeding year; the Mayor and Council of Chestertown shall annually, at the end of the fiscal year of said town, have all books of the said corporation audited by some competent person or persons, and shall have said books and accounts of said corporation audited at such other times as they may deem proper and necessary. The audit shall be published in one or more newspapers published in Kent County at least once in March, each year.

MEETINGS OF COUNCIL.

121. The Solicitor, Engineer, Chief of Police and other employees shall attend all regular meetings of the Mayor and Council, and any special meeting of the Mayor and Council at which their presence may be requested by any member of the Council. They shall have the privilege of participating in the discussion of matters relating to their respective departments, but shall have no vote.

TERM OF OFFICE AND COMPENSATION.

122. The Mayor shall receive an annual salary of \$300.00, payable quarterly. He shall be elected for a term of two years and serve for this period or until his successor shall be elected and qualified. The Councilmen elected hereunder shall receive the sum of three dollars (\$3.00) per diem for each and every meeting of said Mayor and Council which they shall attend in the discharge of their duties as Councilmen as herein provided. They shall serve for a term of four years or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

VACANCIES.

122A. If any vacancies should occur in the office of Mayor or Councilman by death, removal, resignation, failure to qualify or otherwise, the Councilmen at their next regular meeting shall elect a suitable person as Mayor or Councilman, as the case may be, to serve until the next election, who shall sub-