

by the Mayor and Council under this sub-title, and they shall continue in office until the fifteenth day of November, 1944, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

33. The said Council of Chesapeake Beach shall at least ten days prior to the first Monday in November, 1944, and biennially thereafter give notice of the time and place of holding an election for Mayor and Councilmen by posting printed or typewritten notices in five conspicuous places in the said town, and shall also publish such notice in some newspaper published in Calvert County, Maryland, and in one published in Washington, D. C., one insertion, at least three weeks prior to said election; said judges of election, hereinbefore provided for, shall before acting as such take an oath before the Mayor or some justice of the peace of Calvert County, Maryland, to allow all persons to vote who are qualified to vote under this act, and to allow none to vote unless so qualified.

34. The polls shall be kept open from 7 o'clock A. M. until 7 o'clock P. M. of said election day. The judges shall, after the closing of the polls, carefully count the ballots cast, and within two days after the said election make a true and correct return of the same under their hands to the Council, and shall issue certificates of election to the person appearing from said returns to have received the highest number of votes for Mayor, and the six persons receiving the highest number of votes for Councilmen, provided that if the Council shall have divided the town into election districts and shall have apportioned the membership of the Council among such districts then, in that event, the person or persons receiving the highest number of votes in each district shall be entitled to receive certificates of election with respect to that district. The persons who shall receive such certificates of election shall be Mayor and Councilmen, respectively, for the said town for the two ensuing years or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Said certificates of election shall be recorded among the records of the said town Council, and a copy thereof shall be forthwith transmitted by the town clerk to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Calvert County, and by him be filed and recorded.

35. In case a vote be challenged, the judges of election shall forthwith hear and pass upon the qualifications of such persons as an elector under this Act. An appeal may be taken from the decision of the judges to the Council, which shall, for the purpose of considering such appeals, be in session on election day from 4 o'clock P. M. until the closing of the polls.