

in the nature of the general improvements in such part of the Town of Aberdeen in which said building or structure is to be erected, then and in that event the Commissioners may refuse to issue a permit for the same, but in no case shall any excavation or construction begin until a permit shall have been obtained from the Commissioners.

The Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered in the Town at large, before the creation of zones, or districts, and thereafter in said zones or districts, to fix and determine the location and size of any sign or other outdoor advertising matter, and the size and character of the lettering and numerals thereon; to require a permit for the erection and maintenance of such signs or other outdoor advertising matter, and to fix the license to be charged for the erection and maintenance of the same, and to require insurance to be taken out and maintained thereon to protect the Town from any damage resulting from the erection or maintenance thereof; to refuse or revoke such a permit in the event the applicant does not reside on the premises where the sign is to be erected, and continue to reside thereon while it is maintained, or in event the applicant attempts to advertise the business or profession of another; and to declare such unauthorized erection or maintenance to be a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or commitment to jail.

The Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to pass such ordinance or ordinances as shall protect the property of the inhabitants of the Town against fire hazards, which said ordinance or ordinances shall provide penalties for disobedience of the same and shall provide, also, means of abatement of said fire hazards, if it be reasonable and convenient to do so, at the expense of the owner of said property, and the cost of the said abatement shall be a lien on the said property where said fire hazard appears and shall take precedence over a mortgage or any other lien on said property.

17. It shall be unlawful for any person, persons or corporations to provide a place for betting or gaming purposes or to bet, wager, or gamble in any manner or by any means, or to make or sell pools within the corporate limits of the Town of Aberdeen, on the result of any race or event of any kind.

18. The Commissioners shall have authority to incur indebtedness not exceeding five percent (5%) of the assessed value of all property within the corporate limits, in excess of the annual revenue of the Town, and shall,