

to work done by employees of the town, under the town supervisors.

185. For the purpose of determining whether the other provisions of this Act shall become effective and whether the citizens of the said Town of Capitol Heights desire to adopt this charter, there shall be held a referendum election on or before the first Monday in June 1945 under the supervision of the committee hereafter named, the manner and procedure of which shall be as follows:

The Committee to conduct such referendum election shall consist of Mr. James R. Shieler, Mr. William Hutson, and Mr. Thomas Vendemia, who shall act as a Board of Election Supervisors or Judges and they shall have the same duties, powers, and authority as is provided for Supervisors or Judges of Election in this charter and if any of said Committee are unable or decline to serve, the remaining members of said Committee are empowered to select some resident of the Town of Capitol Heights to fill his place.

The qualifications of voters in the referendum election shall be the same as those set forth for General Town elections provided for in the Charter enacted by this Act.

The said Committee shall provide registration books, booths, ballot boxes, tally sheets, printed ballots and places of registration and election, and shall not later than the 15th day of May, 1945, post in five conspicuous places in the Town of Capitol Heights a typewritten or printed notice notifying all residents of the proposed Town that a referendum election will be held at a place and on a date named therein to determine whether or not this Act shall become effective, and also notifying them of the qualifications for voting.

The ballots shall have printed on one line the words "For Charter Adoption" and on the second line the words "Against Charter Adoption" with a place opposite each for the "X" mark of the voter.

Said election shall be conducted as nearly as practicable as elections for county officers under the Code of Public General Laws of this State and upon closing the polls the said Committee shall canvass the votes and announce publicly the result thereof. In the event that the majority of the votes cast are for adoption of this charter, this Act shall immediately become effective, but in the event that a majority of the votes cast are against adoption of this charter, this Act shall be null and void.

The committee shall certify the results of this referendum election to the Secretary of State of Maryland.