

cluding Sundays and legal holidays, prior to the election. The Supervisors of Election shall cause to be published, in appropriate manner to give general publicity, the names of the candidates and the positions to which they aspire.

All the provisions of the Public General Laws of this State now in force or hereinafter enacted relating to the determination of elections, providing penalties for illegal registration, illegal voting, corrupt practices and requiring reports of the expenditure of money in connection with any election shall be and hereby are made applicable to all elections held under the provisions of this Charter.

(b) In the event the office of Mayor, Treasurer, or any Councilman, or any or all of them shall become vacant for any cause other than the expiration of the term for which the incumbent was elected, such vacancy shall be filled by election or appointment as follows:

The Council shall elect one of its members as Mayor to serve for the unexpired term or until his successor is elected and qualified. The Mayor shall appoint a qualified person as Councilman to serve the unexpired term of any Councilman whose office shall become vacant, subject to the approval and ratification of the majority of the Council. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, the Mayor shall appoint, subject to the approval and ratification of the majority of the Council, a qualified person to serve as Treasurer to fill the unexpired term of office of any Treasurer whose office has become vacant.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and Common Council shall meet in some convenient place within the Town on or before the second Monday in May of each year and as often thereafter as may be necessary in the discharge of their duties, provided, however, that they shall not meet less than once in every month. All meetings of the Mayor and Common Council herein provided for, shall be open to the citizens of the Town. A majority of members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and upon each action taken the yea and nay vote of each Councilman shall be recorded opposite his name. The Mayor shall vote only in the case of a tie vote and his yea and nay vote shall be recorded opposite his name. The Mayor and Common Council shall pass rules and regulations consistent with the provisions of this Charter for their own government while in session. The absence of any elective officer from meetings of the Council for a period of three (3) consecutive months without valid excuse shall constitute a vacancy which shall be declared by the Council in a regular meeting. The Mayor shall preside at the meeting of the Council and shall call meetings from time to time as he may deem necessary, but in