

16. The Board of Supervisors of Election of the City of Hagerstown and judges of election holding office at the time this Charter becomes effective, shall continue in office until their successors are duly appointed and qualified.

The Governor shall appoint, not later than the first Monday in November in the year 1952 and every four years thereafter, from a list of six persons submitted by the Mayor, three persons, residents and voters of the City of Hagerstown, not more than two of whom shall be selected from the same political party of the City of Hagerstown, all of whom shall be men of approved integrity and capacity, and none of them shall hold office or employment under the Government of the United States or of the State of Maryland, and they must not be candidates for office at the next ensuing municipal election in the City of Hagerstown, or at any municipal election in said City, within the term for which they or any of them were appointed, who shall be styled the Board of Supervisors of Election of the City of Hagerstown; each of said Supervisors shall hold office for the term of four years, accounting from the first Monday of November in the year of their appointment; in case of a vacancy occurring in said Board, such vacancy shall be filled by the Governor as soon as possible; it shall be the duty of said Board to conduct each primary, general and special election for the City of Hagerstown in accordance with the election laws of Maryland, all of which are hereby made effective in the City insofar as such laws are applicable; it shall be the duty of said Board, not later than the fifteenth day of December of the year following their appointment, to appoint two persons for each precinct of said City of Hagerstown, who shall be residents and voters of the ward in which such precinct is situated, and who shall be judges of election for such precinct from the time of their appointment and until new appointments shall have been made; and it shall be the duty of said Board in making the appointment of such judges of election to select one of the said judges for each precinct from each of the leading political parties. If any of the said judges shall die, resign or remove out of the ward in which the precinct for which he was appointed is situated, or become otherwise, in the opinion of said Board, disqualified to act as such judge of election, then the Board of Supervisors of Election of the City of Hagerstown shall appoint a person as judge for the precinct in which each vacancy may occur; the said Board of Supervisors of Election of the City of Hagerstown shall record every appointment so made in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall make out a warrant