

as if he had resisted a constable; and any policeman so appointed, who shall be guilty of official misconduct, shall be proceeded against by presentment and indictment in the Circuit Court for Washington County, and if found guilty, shall be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

## VIII

### LIGHT AND POWER PLANT

75. The City of Hagerstown is hereby authorized to own, operate, enlarge and maintain an Electric Light and Power Plant, and there shall be no lighting at municipal expense of the streets, alleys, squares, lanes, highways or other public places in said City, except by electrical or other appliances owned, operated and maintained by said City. Electricity produced or distributed by said plant shall not be delivered or sold by the City of Hagerstown to any consumer, other than one of its own departments or agencies, outside of the taxable or corporate limits of the City of Hagerstown. The head of the department of the City government charged with the operation and maintenance of said plant shall be a permanent officer chosen under the established merit system.

76. The City of Hagerstown is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire land, either improved or unimproved, within the limits of Washington County, Maryland, by purchase, lease or condemnation, and if by condemnation, then such proceedings shall be instituted under the general laws of the State of Maryland, and to erect new buildings, or change or alter such buildings thereon as may be necessary or advisable, and to purchase and contract for all other things necessary for the operation, management, maintenance, enlargement, and improvement of the municipal light and power plant.

77. All sums of money collected from consumers of electricity produced by the light and power plant of the City of Hagerstown shall be entered to the credit of a separate account to be known as the light and power fund, and the sum of money so received shall constitute part of a separate fund to be known as the light and power fund.

78. The Council of the City of Hagerstown is hereby authorized to levy annually on all property liable to taxation in said City an amount sufficient to pay the interest and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) of the principal on