

*authorized by law to administer oaths, diligently and faithfully to discharge all duties of the said office. In case any such persons shall fail to qualify within thirty days after election, or if any of their successors shall fail to qualify within thirty days after his election as committeeman, as hereinafter provided, or in case of any vacancy through death, resignation or otherwise, the remaining committeemen shall fill such vacancy by the appointment of a resident of said Bowling Green Special Tax Area, of legal age, and owner of real property in said Bowling Green Special Tax Area, who shall hold office for such term or unexpired term.*

*45. On the first Monday of April, 1952, five members of the said Board of Managers shall be elected to serve for one year, and four members to serve for two years. The four persons who receive the highest number of votes respectively at such election in April, 1952, shall be deemed to have been elected to serve for two years thereafter. The next group of five persons with the highest number of votes respectively shall be deemed to have been elected to serve for one year thereafter.*

*Each succeeding year, an election shall be held at which committeemen shall be elected for two years to succeed those whose terms expire and which committeemen shall be elected to fill any vacancies which may exist, but the committeemen so elected to fill such vacancies shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term only. The election shall be by ballot in a manner to be prescribed by said committee. Only resident owners of real property who are of legal age of said Bowling Green Special Tax Area who shall have resided therein for not less than six months next preceding said election, shall be entitled to vote for or hold office of committeemen in said Bowling Green Special Tax Area. Following each election each newly elected member of said Committee shall qualify by taking the oath prescribed as aforesaid. Said Committee shall select from their members a chairman, vice chairman, secretary, treasurer, and any other officers they may deem necessary.*

*46. The Citizens' Committee provided for herein shall have the power and authority to provide, by contract or otherwise, for the installation of fire hydrants, service lines thereto, and maintenance thereof, and to establish a street lighting system and to pay for same out of the taxes levied by the County Commissioners of Allegany County and paid over to the Treasurer of said Citizens' Committee. The said Treasurer shall pay out of the funds in his possession only upon the order of said Citizens' Committee and for the purposes authorized by this subtitle.*