

(j) *Franchises.* To grant and regulate franchises to electric light companies, telegraph companies, transit companies, taxicab companies, and any others which may be deemed advantageous and beneficial to the town. No franchise shall be granted for a longer period than fifty years.

(k) *Garbage.* To require, regulate, and/or provide for the collection and removal of filth, garbage, or any matter or thing that is or may become injurious to the health or comfort of the inhabitants of the Town of Mount Airy, and to provide whether the expense, if any, shall be borne by individual property owners or tenants or shall be paid for in whole or in part by the town.

(l) *Grants-in-Aid.* To accept gifts and grants of federal or state funds from the federal or state governments or any agency thereof, and to expend the same for any lawful public purpose, agreeable to the conditions under which the gift or grant was made.

(m) *Hawkers.* To regulate and provide for the issuing of licenses or permits for hawking, peddling, and vending of wares and merchandise of every description upon the public ways in the town, and to regulate and provide for the issuing of licenses or permits to all persons who may go from house to house to vend or sell any wares or merchandise; to regulate and provide for the issuing of licenses to all traveling persons who dispense medicines or medical advice.

(n) *Health.* To protect and preserve the health of the town and its inhabitants; to appoint a public health officer and to define and regulate his powers and duties; to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases into the town; to establish quarantine regulations, and to authorize the removal and confinement of persons having contagious or infectious diseases; to prevent and remove all nuisances; to inspect, regulate, and abate any buildings, structures, places or conditions which cause or may cause unsanitary conditions or conditions detrimental to health; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to affect in any manner any of the powers and duties of the State Board of Health, the County Board of Health, or any public general or local law relating to the subject of health.

(o) *Jail.* To establish and regulate a station house or lock-up for temporary confinement of violators of the laws and ordinances of the town, and to make provision for the use of the Carroll County jail and the Frederick County jail.