

shall be a member of the bar of Garrett County. The town attorney shall be the legal adviser of the Town of Friendsville and shall perform such duties in this connection as may be required by the council or the mayor. His compensation shall be determined by the council. The Town of Friendsville shall have the power to employ such legal consultants as may be necessary from time to time.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

63. If the Town of Friendsville shall obtain a water plant and system and/or any other public utilities, the mayor with the advice and consent of the council may appoint a superintendent of public works to operate and maintain these public utilities and to supervise all the other public works functions of the town. A superintendent of public works shall serve at the pleasure of the mayor. His compensation shall be determined by the council.

OTHER PERSONNEL

64. The mayor with the advice and consent of the council shall have the power to appoint such officers and employees as may be necessary to execute the powers and duties provided by this charter and to operate the town government. All such officers and employees shall serve at the pleasure of the mayor. Their compensation shall be determined by the council. All officers and employees of the town government shall be appointed only on a basis of merit and fitness.

ARTICLE VIII

DEFINITION

65. The term "public ways" as used in this charter shall refer to all streets, avenues, roads, highways, public thoroughfares, lanes, and alleys which at present are or in the future may be within the Town of Friendsville.

CONTROL

66. The Town of Friendsville shall have charge of all the public ways of the town except such as may be under the jurisdiction of Garrett County or the Maryland State Roads Commission. Subject to the laws of the State of Maryland and this charter, the Town of Friendsville may do whatever it deems necessary to establish, operate, and maintain in good condition the public ways of the town.