

Mayor and Councilmen shall each receive for his services [twenty-five cents] *one dollar* for each regular or called meeting at which he shall be present, *plus an annual salary of twenty dollars each*; whenever one or two vacancies may occur in the office of Councilmen, such vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as that provided for in Section 729 in the case of Vice-Mayor; but should three or more vacancies occur at one time the Mayor shall order an election to be held in conformity with the provisions for regular elections, to fill the unexpired terms. Any person wishing to be a candidate for the office of Mayor, Vice-Mayor or Councilman shall file a petition with the Mayor of the town not less than [ten (10)] *fifteen (15)* days before the time for holding any town election, indicating the officer for which he is a candidate and only the names of those persons who so file shall be placed upon the ballots or voted upon at said election.

732. The method of holding elections in said town shall be as follows: The [Burgess] *Mayor* shall publish by hand-bills, posted in at least six public places in said town, at least ten days prior to the date of said election, the officers to be voted for, or the objects and purposes of said election in writing, one qualified voter of said town to act as judge of election, who, before he shall proceed to act as such, shall take the following oath or affirmation before the [Burgess] *Mayor* or a justice of the peace in Washington county: I will fairly and impartially act as judge of the municipal election to be held in town of Sharpsburg on the day of September, A.D., according to the best of my knowledge and understanding of law. A certificate that said oath or affirmation has been administered shall accompany the election returns as hereinafter provided. On failure of the judge so appointed to appear, the [Burgess] *Mayor* shall appoint another qualified person, and so on until a judge is secured; and in case of death, absence, inability or refusal of the [Burgess] *Mayor* to appoint, the duty shall devolve upon the [Assistant Burgess] *Vice-Mayor*, and in case of his death, absence, inability or refusal, the like duty shall devolve upon one of the [Commissioners] *Councilmen* chosen by a majority of that body; and upon failure of the [Burgess, assistant Burgess or Commissioners] *Mayor, Vice-Mayor or Councilmen* to perform the duties imposed by this section, they shall be subject to indictment in the Circuit Court for Washington county, and to a fine of twenty-five dollars upon conviction. The said judge shall be a conservator of