

new Council at the first meeting succeeding each biennial election as herein provided. The Mayor shall preside at meetings of the Council and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as are or may be conferred and imposed upon him by this charter and the ordinances of the Town. He shall be recognized as the head of the Town government for all ceremonial purposes, by the Courts for serving civil process, and by the Governor for the purpose of military law. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor, or in case of his absence or disability, the Mayor pro tem shall act as Mayor for the unexpired term or during the continuance of the absence or disability. If any councilman appointed by this charter, or hereafter elected, shall die or remove from the State of Maryland during his term of office, said office shall be declared to be vacant, and it shall be filled by the Mayor and Council for the unexpired term.

The Mayor and Council hereby constituted, and their successors shall appoint immediately after their election of a Mayor and Mayor pro tem as above provided, at the first meeting of the said Mayor and Council, a Treasurer, Clerk, Engineer, and such other officers as they may determine from time to time to be necessary to carry on the government of the Town, and such Treasurer, Clerk, Engineer, or other officer shall file such bond as may be required by the Mayor and Council to guarantee the faithful performance of his duties.

Every officer and councilman, exclusive of the Mayor, of the Town, shall before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation, to be made before the Mayor, a signed copy to be filed and kept in the office of the Town Clerk:

"I....., swear, (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland and support the Constitution and laws thereof; and that I will, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of....., according to the Constitution and laws of this State."

The Mayor shall take the same oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, Maryland, or before one of his sworn deputies.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That each elective officer of said Town, and the Treasurer appointed by the Mayor and Council, shall be a freeholder, or the spouse of a freeholder, shall have attained the age of at least