

CHAP. 51. selves for the purpose of protecting the property in said village from fire, and have adopted rules and regulations, and to promote the object of this association are desirous of obtaining an act of incorporation—Therefore,

Incorporated.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Samuel Peaco, David Gilmore, Joseph G. Nesbitt, T. B. Knight, Jacob Tome, Andrew Orr, Benjamin Vandiver, John William McCullough, Alexander Brown, Joseph W. Abrahams, Alonzo Snow, John J. Heckart, and such others as now are or hereafter may become members of the Susquehanna Fire Company of Port Deposit, their successors and assigns shall be, and they are hereby created and made a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Susquehanna Fire Company, of the village of Port Deposit, and by that name they shall be and are hereby made able and capable in law to have, purchase, receive, possess, enjoy and retain to them and their successors, lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattels and effects of what kind soever, not exceeding in the whole amount of value of ten thousand dollars, and the same to grant, demise, alien, or dispose of, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended in any courts of record or any other place whatsoever, and also to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at pleasure, and also to ordain and establish, and put in execution, such by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as shall seem necessary for the government of said corporation, not being contrary to law, or the constitution thereof, for which purpose general meetings of stockholders shall and may be called by the directors or two-thirds of the stockholders, previously giving ten days notice in handbills, to be put up at all the public places in said village.

Five Directors.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the affairs of said company shall be managed by five directors, to be chosen from among the stockholders on the first Monday in March, in each and every year, except to fill vacancies, when extra elections shall be held to fill such vacancies for the unexpired time, who shall have power to make, revise, alter or annul, rules, orders, by-laws and regulations for the government of the company, who shall also, have power and authority to appoint a treasurer, or any other officer that may be necessary for the management or superintendence of their concerns, and to allow to said treasurer or other officers such reasonable salary as to them shall seem proper; and generally to do all acts and

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