CHAP. 299. of constables, a collector of taxes, and a clerk, who shall each be compensated, and possess such powers as may be prescribed by ordinance, and shall each give bond with security, in such penalty as shall be prescribed by ordinance, such bond to be approved by the mayor.

To assess the property

SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That the common council may provide for an assessment of the property within the city limits, until which is done all taxes shall be levied according to the county assessment; provided, that no land within said city limits, and not fronting on any street, shall be taxed on more than one acre thereof, and the value of the improvements on said entire truct of land.

Time of meet-

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ing fixed

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That said mayor and common council shall meet on the first Monday of each month, at such place and hour as shall be fixed by the mayor, and at such other times as the council may adjourn to; the council-shall elect one of their number president, who, in case of the absence or sickness of the mayor, shall be clothed with all his power and authority; and the council, of which three shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, may pass rules and bye-laws for their own government, when in session; provided, that a failure to comply with any of the provisions of this act, shall not render the act void, or work a forfeiture of its benefits.

Oaths required

SEC. 9. And be it enarted, That all officers of said city shall, before they proceed to the discharge of their several duties, take an oath before a justice of the peace of Carroll county, to act faithfully, without favor, partiality, or prejudice, in all things appertaining to their respective offices; and a failure to take such oath within two weeks after his or their election, shall be deemed and taken as a refusal on the part of the party or parties so failing to take said oath, to act in the discharge of the duties of the office or offices to which he or they may have been elected.

Repealed.

SEC. 10. And be it enacted, That all acts heretofore passed to incorporate the aforesaid town of Westminster, be and the same are hereby repealed.

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