

General Assembly, in so far as the same may be applicable to the other provisions of this act, and the said judge shall make a return under his hand and seal of the persons elected as burgess and commissioners, to the clerk of the circuit court for Frederick county, to be by him safely kept; all future elections to be held by one or more judges, in such manner as shall from time to time be directed by ordinance of the said corporation.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners shall meet upon the business of the town, at Meetings. at least three times in every year, and four commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, they may compel the attendance of absent members in such manner, and under such penalties as they may by their ordinances provide, and they shall have full power and authority to enact and pass, subject to the approval of the Burgess, all laws and ordinances necessary to preserve the peace and good order of the town, to preserve the health thereof, to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases therein and within one mile of the town, to prevent and remove nuisances, to prevent and extinguish fire, to regulate fire companies, to impose and appropriate fines, penalties and forfeitures for the breach of their by-laws or ordinances, *Provided*, that no fine, penalty or forfeiture shall exceed the sum of ten dollars; to regulate party walls and partition fences, to provide for licensing and regulating the sweeping or burning of chimneys and fixing the rates thereof, within the town, to restrain and prohibit gaming, to provide for licensing and regulating or restraining theatrical or other public exhibitions or amusements within the limits of the corporation, and within one mile thereof, to regulate and tax dogs and in all cases when the public safety may so require, to prevent them from going at large, to regulate and prevent horses and hogs from going at large in said town, to pass all ordinances necessary for paving or otherwise improving and keeping in repair the streets, lanes, alleys and footways thereof, to lay and collect an equal tax upon the personal and real estate within the corporation, for all purposes necessary for carrying into effect the by-laws and ordinances of the town; *Provided, however*, that Provisoes. said taxes shall not exceed twenty cents on every hundred dollars worth of taxable property in any one year; to make a new assessment of all the real and personal property of said town as often as it may seem necessary; to punish corporally any servant or slave guilty of a