

until five o'clock, P. M., on the day set apart for holding said election, and all persons who shall have resided in said town for six months next preceding said election, and shall be entitled to vote at any State election, shall be qualified to vote for said town commissioners.

Justice holding election to make return.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Justice of the Peace holding such election shall make a return within two weeks, under oath or affirmation, as to its correctness, to the county commissioners of said county, and the certificate of the county commissioners shall be the authority of the town commissioners.

Future elections.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the second and all subsequent elections for town commissioners shall be held as the said town commissioners shall direct; *Provided*, the election shall be held annually, and the qualification of voters be as above stated.

Proviso.

Commissioners to take an oath.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That each town commissioner before performing any of his duties shall make oath or affirmation before some Justice of the Peace in said county, that he will truly and faithfully and without partiality execute all the duties appertaining to his office, which affidavit shall be attached to said certificate of election and filed among the papers of said town.

Power to appoint Clerk and other officers.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That said town commissioners shall have power to appoint a Clerk and Treasurer, and prescribe their duties and compensation, and to appoint one or more police officers, and prescribe their obligations, duties and pay, and said town commissioners shall have power to confer authority on said police to perform all and every of the duties of a constable, except so far as they relate to debts and other civil process; *Provided*, such debts be not due on any fine, penalty or tax which said town commissioners may have authority to impose.

Proviso.

Authorised to lay out streets, lanes, &c.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That said town commissioners shall have power upon the return of a Jury as hereinafter provided, to open and lay out any street, lane or alley in said town, which they may deem necessary for the convenience of the citizens of said town, and to condemn the same to public use; *Provided*, that before the said town commissioners shall so condemn any land or pro-

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