

they enter upon the execution of their respective offices, shall severally take the following oath, or affirmation: I, do solemnly swear or affirm, (as the case may be,) that I will faithfully execute the office of —, to the best of my knowledge and ability, without favour, affection or partiality.

Oath of mayor, &c.

10. *And be it enacted*, That the person or persons appointed to collect any tax imposed in virtue of the powers granted by this act, shall have authority to collect the same by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the person chargeable therewith, but no sale shall be made unless three weeks previous notice thereof be given; and if the tax imposed shall be chargeable on any real property, and no goods or chattels can be found liable to be distressed therefor, the same may be recovered by action or attachment in Anne-Arundel county court, in the name of the mayor, aldermen and common council, of the city of Annapolis; and when any such action shall be brought, the mayor, aldermen and common council, may declare generally for money had and received to the use of the mayor, aldermen, and common council of the city of Annapolis, and give the law and the special matter in evidence; the said tax to be and remain a lien on the real property so taxed until the tax is paid.

Taxes may be collected by distress and sale of goods, &c.

11. *And be it enacted*, That the aldermen and common council may by ordinance, from time to time, as often as they think it necessary, cause a correct survey of the said city, and the additions thereto, to be made, and to establish and fix permanent boundaries and stones at such places as they think necessary, with proper marks and devices thereon, to ascertain and perpetuate the lines of said city, and the additions thereto; and also be authorised from time to time, to survey and ascertain the streets, lanes, alleys and lots, of the said city, and the additions thereto, and to declare the same, and to adjudge as nuisances any encroachment on the streets, lanes or alleys, and to cause the same to be removed at the expense of the person offending; and the survey of the said city, and the additions thereto, and of the streets, lanes, alleys and lots thereof, when made, shall be signed by the mayor, and the seal of the corporation be thereto annexed, and be deposited with the clerk of the corporation of the said city, and be received in evidence as boundaries of the said city and of the lots, lanes and alleys therein.

May cause survey of city to be made, establish boundaries, &c.

12. *And be it enacted*. That the mayor of the city of Annapolis may take the acknowledgment of any deed or instrument of writing, required by the laws of this state to be acknowledged, and any acknowledgment so taken by him, shall have the same force and effect as if taken by any one or two justices of the peace of Anne-Arundel county, and the mayor shall be entitled to receive therefor the sum of fifty cents.

Mayor may take acknowledgment of deeds, &c.

13. *And be it enacted*, That the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common council, may by ordinance provide for taking up, fining, or committing to gaol of Anne-Arundel county, all vagrant, and loose and disorderly person or persons having no visible means of support and livelihood, and common disturbers of his or her neighbourhood, that may be found within the jurisdiction of said city; and it is hereby made the duty of the keeper of said gaol to receive and safe keep all persons, who shall be so committed, according to the tenor of such commitment.

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