

*Committee hereinafter provided for, notice of which meeting shall have been mailed to all such resident owners at least two weeks in advance of the meeting. Such taxes shall be collected as all County taxes are collected and shall be paid over by the Board of County Commissioners to the Treasurer of the Citizens' Committee of Ellerslie, to be selected from among their number by a majority of the members of the Citizens' Committee, or by their assessors to be selected as herein provided. The Treasurer selected by the Committee shall give bond to the Board of County Commissioners, to be approved by a Judge of the Circuit Court of Allegany County, in a penal sum to be fixed by the Judge, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of the duties of the Treasurer.*

*(b) The taxes collected under the provisions of this section shall be used by the said Citizens' Committee for electric lights along the streets, alleys, and public ways of Ellerslie.*

*145C. (a) From and after the effective date of this Act until the first Monday in March, 1964, the Citizens' Committee of Ellerslie is constituted as follows: Charles E. Simpkins, Richard L. Close, Quentin L. Griffey, Earl Harrison, and Floyd E. Logsdon; and the first named until otherwise directed by the Committee, is the Chairman thereof. Each member shall qualify as such Committeeman by taking an oath before any officer in Allegany County authorized by law to administer oaths, diligently and faithfully to discharge all duties of the office. In case any such persons shall fail to qualify within thirty days after the effective date of this Act, or if any of their successors shall fail to qualify within thirty days after his election as Committeeman, as hereinafter provided, or in case of any vacancy through death, resignation, or otherwise, the remaining Committeemen shall fill the vacancy by the appointment of a resident of Ellerslie, of legal age, and owner of real property in said Ellerslie, who shall hold office for the term or unexpired term.*

*(b) On the first Monday in March 1964, two members of the Citizens' Committee shall be elected to serve for one year, and three members shall be elected to serve for two years. On the first Monday in March, 1965, and on the first Monday in March of each succeeding year, an election shall be held at which Committeemen shall be elected for two years to succeed those whose terms are expiring and at which Committeemen shall be elected to fill any vacancies which may exist, but the Committeemen so elected to fill vacancies shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term only. The election shall be by ballot in a manner to be prescribed by the Committee. Only residents of legal age of said Ellerslie who have resided therein for not less than six months next preceding said election and who are the owners of real property in Ellerslie, are entitled to vote for or hold the office of Committeemen in Ellerslie. Following each election each newly elected member of the Committee shall qualify by taking the oath prescribed. The Committee shall select from its members a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and any other officers it may deem necessary.*

*145D. (a) The Citizens' Committee provided for in Section 145C has the power and authority to provide, by contract or otherwise, for electric lights in Ellerslie and to pay for the same out of the taxes levied by the County Commissioners of Allegany County and paid over to the Treasurer of the Citizens' Committee. The Treasurer shall*