

[(45)] (43) *Parking meters.* To install parking meters on the streets and public places of the town in such places as [they shall] by ordinance *they* determine, and by ordinance to prescribe rates and provisions for the use thereof; [except] *but* [that] the installation of parking meters on any street or road maintained by the State Roads Commission of Maryland must first be approved by the Commission.

[(46)] (44) *Parks and recreation.* To establish and maintain public parks, gardens, playgrounds, and other recreational facilities and programs to promote the health, welfare, and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the town.

[(47)] (45) *Police force.* To establish, operate, and maintain a police force. All town policemen [shall], within the municipality[.], *shall* have the powers and authority of constables in this State.

[(48)] (46) *Police powers.* To prohibit, suppress, and punish within the town all vice, gambling, and games of chance; prostitution and solicitation therefor and the keeping of bawdy houses and houses of ill fame; all tramps and vagrants; all disorder, disturbances, annoyances, disorderly conduct, obscenity, public profanity, and drunkenness.

[(49)] (47) *Property.* To acquire by conveyance, purchase, or gift, real or leasable property for any public purposes; to erect buildings and structures thereon for the benefit of the town and its inhabitants; and to convey any real or leasehold property when no longer needed for the public use, after having given at least twenty days' public notice of the proposed conveyance; to control, protect, and maintain public buildings, grounds, and property of the town.

[(50)] (48) *Quarantine.* To establish quarantine regulations in the interests of the public health.

[(51)] (49) *Regulations.* To adopt by ordinance and enforce within the corporate limits police, health, sanitary, fire, building, plumbing, traffic, speed, parking, and other similar regulations not in conflict with the laws of the State of Maryland or with this charter.

[(52)] (50) *Sidewalks.* To regulate the use of sidewalks and all structures in, under, or above [the same] *them*; to require the owner or occupant of premises to keep the sidewalks in front thereof free from snow or other obstructions; to prescribe hours for cleaning sidewalks.

[(53)] (51) *Sweepings.* To regulate or prevent the throwing or depositing of sweepings, dust, ashes, offal, garbage, paper, handbills, dirty liquids, or other unwholesome materials into any public way or [onto] *on* any public or private property in the town.

[(54)] (52) *Taxicabs.* To license, tax, and regulate public hackmen, taxicab men, draymen, drivers, cabmen, porters and expressmen, and all other persons pursuing like occupations.

[(55)] (53) *Vehicles.* To regulate and license wagons and other vehicles not subject to the licensing powers of the State of Maryland.

[(56)] (54) *Voting machines.* To purchase, lease, borrow, install, and maintain voting machines for use in town elections.