

cants. The list for any such appointment shall be completed not less than three weeks prior to the date the county governing body makes the actual appointment. The list of applicants shall be open to the public for inspection from the time of commencement of making the list until an appointment therefrom is made. In the event a county governing body does not appoint an individual from the names on the list, or if no name appears on the list, then the county governing body shall provide for the preparation of a second list and follow the procedure applicable to the first list, with the above-mentioned three week period commencing with the closing of such second list.

(c) Removal for cause. A county governing body may remove for cause, prior to the expiration of the term for which a Commission member was appointed, any member of the Commission appointed by that county governing body. In such a case, the cause for removal shall be stated in writing and a public hearing held thereon. At such a hearing an opportunity shall be given to the Commission member in question to present a defense in his or her own behalf. *In Montgomery County, the removal of members of the Commission by the County Executive shall be subject to the approval of the County Council.* Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Commission for any reason shall be filled as provided in this section for the unexpired portion of the term.

(e) Certain procedures. The Commission shall engage and organize a staff so as to efficiently accomplish the matters within its jurisdiction, as set forth in Section 83-57A (71-4A). All acts, orders and regulations heretofore passed by the Commission while sitting in the District of Columbia are hereby ratified and confirmed and are to be given the same force and effect as if passed in the State of Maryland. The Commission shall annually publish in at least one newspaper in Montgomery County, and one in Prince George's County, a full and true account of its receipts, expenses and expenditures. The Commission shall employ a certified public accountant, certified to practice as a public accountant in the State of Maryland, to audit its books and accounts. The Commission shall always keep available and open to public inspection during business hours, at its principal office, a detailed audit and financial statement of its accounts. The Commission shall file with the County Commissioners of Prince George's County and the County **[Council]** *Executive* of Montgomery County, annually, a certified copy of such detailed audit and financial statement.

71-6.

(a) Applicability. The provisions of this section shall apply to all Washington Suburban Sanitary Commissioners appointed, reappointed or nominated by the Montgomery County **[Council]** *Executive* under section 71-4 of this Code. The words, "county council" as used in this section shall mean the Montgomery County Council.

[(c) Interview.

(1) All applicants for appointment, reappointment or nomination as commissioners of Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission shall be interviewed by the county council or its designated agent in private as to any possible or potential conflict of interests. The applicant shall be questioned under oath specifically on, but not