

appointed by the County Commissioners of Allegany County, two (2) of whom must be residents of the City of Cumberland, one (1) a resident of the City of Frostburg TO BE SELECTED FROM A LIST PROVIDED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF FROSTBURG, one (1) a resident of the Central Georges Creek area, one (1) a resident of the Mount Savage area, one (1) a resident of the Cresaptown-Belair-Rawlings area, one (1) a resident of the Town of Westernport, one (1) a resident of Flintstone-Oldtown, ~~and~~ one (1) a resident of Lavale ONE (1) A RESIDENT OF THE ECKHART-CLARYSVILLE AREA, AND ONE (1) A RESIDENT OF THE CORRIGANVILLE-ELLERSLIE AREA. All appointees shall serve for a term of five (5) years, or until their successors are appointed and have qualified, except that of the first members to be appointed, two shall serve for a term of five (5) years, two for a term of four (4) years, one for a term of three (3) years, one for a term of two (2) years and three for terms of one (1) year, so that the terms of one or more members of the Commission shall expire annually. Upon the expiration of the terms of the members of the Commission, their successors shall be named in the same manner as the original appointments were made, except that each appointment shall be for a term of five (5) years. Any vacancy occurring at any time in the personnel of the Commission shall be filled for the unexpired term by the County Commissioners of Allegany County. All members shall serve without compensation but they shall be allowed any reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this subtitle. The members of the Commission shall elect suitable officers for the Commission to hold office on an annual basis. The Commission shall appoint, discharge at pleasure, and fix the compensation of such engineering, legal, clerical and other force and help as, from time to time, in its judgment may be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. The Commission may establish an office at some convenient place in Allegany County. The Commission shall annually publish in at least one daily newspaper in Allegany County, a full and true account of its receipts, expenses and expenditures. The Commission shall employ a certified public accountant to audit its books and accounts, which shall always be kept available and open to public inspection during business hours at its principal office.

(c) *Removals.* Any member of the Commission may be removed from office for misfeasance or nonfeasance by the County Commissioners of Allegany County.

631B. Powers of Commission; Acquiring Property.

The members of the Commission shall be a body corporate, by the name of "Allegany County Water Commission," with the right to use a common seal, to sue and be sued, and to do any and all other corporate acts for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this subtitle. The Commission shall have the power and authority to acquire, develop and operate a permanent water supply which shall include the construction and operation of plants, systems, facilities and properties used or useful or having the present capacity for future use in connection with the supply or distribution of water, and any integral part thereof, including water supply systems, water distribution systems, reservoirs, dams, wells, intakes, mains, laterals, pumping stations, standpipes, tunnels, filtration plants, purification