- 6. (Meeting of the Council): The newly elected Council shall meet at 8:00 p.m. on the second Friday of November following its election for the purpose of organization, after which the Council shall meet regularly at such times as may be prescribed by its rules but not less frequently than once each month. Special meetings shall be called by the Clerk upon the request of the Mayor or a majority of the members of the Council. All meetings of the Council shall be open to the public, and the rules of the Council shall provide that residents of the Town shall have a reasonable opportunity to be heard at any meeting in regard to any municipal question.
- 7. (Council to be Judge of Qualifications of its Members): The Council shall be the judge of the election and qualification of its members.
- 8. (President of the Council): The Mayor shall serve as president of the Council. The Mayor or Acting President may take part in all discussions, and may vote only in case of a tie vote; he shall have the deciding vote. The Council shall elect a Vice President of the Council from among its members who shall act as President of the Council in the absence of the President of the Council.
- 9. (Quorum): Four members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but no ordinance shall be approved nor any other action taken without the favorable votes of a majority of the whole number of members elected to the Council, except such action as is indicated in Section 12 of this Charter.
- 10. (Procedure of Council): The Council shall determine its own rules and order of business. It shall keep a journal of its proceedings and enter therein the yeas and nays upon final action on any question, resolution, or ordinance, or at any other time if required by any one member. The journal shall be open to public inspection.
- 11. (Vacancies in Council): Vacancies in the Council shall be filled as provided in Section 36 of this Charter.
- 12. (Councilmen Absent from Regular Meeting): If any Councilman is absent for more than two regular Council meetings in succession without an excuse determined valid by the Council, such as personal illness, his seat may be declared vacant by a majority vote of the Council provided that at least a quorum is present to conduct business and such vacancy shall be filled as provided in Section 36 of this Charter.
- 13. (Ordinances): No ordinance shall be passed at the meeting at which it was introduced or at any regular or special meeting of the Council held not less than ten days nor more than the second meeting after the meeting at which an ordinance was introduced. It shall be passed, or passed as amended, or rejected, or its consideration deferred to some specified future date. In cases of emergency the above requirement may be suspended by the affirmative votes of five members of the Council. Every ordinance, unless it be passed as an emergency ordinance, shall become effective at the expiration of twenty calendar days following approval by the Mayor or passage by the Council over his veto. A fair summary of each ordinance shall be published at least twice in a county newspaper and also posted in the Town Hall. An emergency ordinance shall become effective on the date specified in the ordinance, but no ordinance shall become effective until approved by the Council.
- 13A. (Veto): All ordinances passed by the Council shall be promptly delivered by the Clerk to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval. If the