

58. (Payment of Indebtedness): The power and obligation of the Town to borrow money, pay any and all bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued by it under the authority of this Charter shall be limited to \$10,000.00 and the Town shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property of the Town for the payment of such bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness and interest thereon limit to the amount of \$10,000.00 on approval of Mayor and Finance office. The faith and credit of the Town is hereby pledged for the payment of the principal of and the interest on all bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, hereafter issued under the authority of this Charter, whether or not such pledge be stated in the bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, or in the ordinance authorizing their issuance.

59. (Previous Issues): All bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness validly issued by the Town previous to the effective date of this Charter and all ordinances passed concerning them are hereby declared to be valid, legal, and binding and of full force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

60. (Purchasing and Contracts): All purchases and contracts for the Town government shall be made by the Treasurer. The Council may provide by ordinance for rules and regulations regarding the use of competitive bidding and contracts for all Town purchases and contracts. All expenditures for supplies, materials, equipment, construction of public improvements, or contractual service involving more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall be made on written contract. The Treasurer shall be required to advertise for sealed bids, in such manner as may be prescribed by ordinance, for all such written contracts. Such written contracts shall be awarded to the bidder who offers the lowest or best bid, quality of goods and work, time of delivery or completion, and responsibility of bidders being considered. All such written contracts shall be approved by the Council before becoming effective. The Treasurer shall have the right to reject all bids and readvertise. The Town at any time in its discretion may employ its own forces for the construction or reconstruction of public improvements without advertising for (or readvertising for) or receiving bids. All written contracts may be protected by such bonds, penalties, and conditions as the Town may require.

PERSONNEL

61. (Town Clerk): A Town Clerk shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council who shall serve as Clerk to the Council. His compensation shall be determined from time to time by resolution of the Council. He shall attend every meeting of the Council and keep a full and accurate account of the proceedings of the Council. He shall keep such other records and perform such other duties as he may be required by this Charter or by the Council. Clerk will be a registered voter of the Town.

62. (Town Attorney): The Mayor with the approval of the Council may appoint a Town Attorney. The Town Attorney shall be a member of the bar of the Maryland Court of Appeals. The Town Attorney shall be the legal adviser of the Town and shall perform such duties in this connection as may be required by the Council or the Mayor. His compensation shall be determined by the Council. The Town shall have the power to employ such legal consultants as it deems necessary from time to time.

63. (Authority to Employ Personnel): The Town shall have the power to employ such officers and employees as it deems necessary to exe-