

MUNICIPAL CHARTERS

require, shall give bond in such amount and with such surety as may be required by the council. The premiums on such bonds shall be paid by the town.

100. Prior rights and obligations.

All right, title and interest held by the town or any other person or corporation at the time of this charter is adopted, in and to any lien acquired under any prior charter of the town, are hereby preserved for the holder in all respects as if this charter had not been adopted, together with all rights and remedies in relation thereto. This charter shall not discharge, impair, or release any contract, obligation, duty, liability, or penalty whatever existing at the time this charter becomes effective. All suits and actions, both civil and criminal, pending, or which may hereafter be instituted for cause of action now existing or offenses already committed against law or ordinance repealed by this charter, shall be instituted, proceeded with and prosecuted to final determination and judgments as if this charter had not become effective.

101. Misdemeanors.

Every act or omission which, by ordinance, is made a misdemeanor under the authority of this charter, unless otherwise provided, shall be punishable upon conviction before any trial magistrate or in the circuit court for the county within which the offense is committed by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment for thirty days in the county jail, or both, in the discretion of the court or trial magistrate. The party aggrieved has the right to appeal as is now provided under the general laws of the State of Maryland. Where the act or omission is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, a conviction for one offense is not a bar to conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

102. Effect of charter on existing ordinances.

(a) ORDINANCES, ETC., NOT IN CONFLICT WITH CHARTER REMAIN IN EFFECT. — All ordinances, resolutions, rules, and regulations in effect in the town at the time this charter becomes effective which are not in conflict with the provisions of this charter shall remain in effect until changed or repealed according to the provisions of this charter.

(b) ORDINANCES, ETC., IN CONFLICT WITH CHARTER REPEALED. — All ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations in effect in the town at the time this charter becomes effective which are in conflict with the