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required, to meet as aforesaid, and from time to time to ordain and organise such plans and regulations as they shall judge beneficial to the town and precincts, or the inhabitants thereof; to cause to be removed all nuisances and obstructions that may interrupt the passage of the said inhabitants, or others in the streets, lanes and alleys of the said town and precincts; to cause the principal, or other streets to be repaired, improved or paved, and to provide means for these salutary purposes; to cause the inhabitants, and others entitled to vote for commissioners according to this act, to be and continue registered, and to make such alterations in the register thereof, from time to time, as the increasing number of inhabitants, or other changing circumstances shall render necessary; and shall make such by laws for the regulation and good government of the said town and precincts, and the inhabitants thereof, and to restrain all disorders and disturbances, and to prevent all nuisances, inconveniences and annoyances within the said town and precincts and other matters and exigencies and things within the said town and precincts as to them or a major part of them shall seem meet and consonant to reason, and not contrary to the constitution and laws of this state; and the said by-laws shall be observed, kept and performed by all the inhabitants of the said town, and all persons trading therein, under such reasonable penalties, fines and forfeitures, as shall be imposed by the said by-laws; the said penalties, fines or forfeitures, to be recovered and collected as debts of a similar amount now are, and applied to the uses of the said town and precincts; to appoint and qualify a clerk, whose duty it shall be to keep fair and faithful minutes of their proceedings in proper and well bound books to be provided by them for that purpose, and to be subject to the inspection and examination of the inhabitants of the said town and precincts, and all persons who may be concerned; to cause the persons entitled to vote as aforesaid to be summoned by public advertisements to meet at some certain time and place within the limits of the said town; to cause a just and fair assessment and valuation of all the property, real and personal, within the limits of the said town and precincts, to be made and returned, from time to time, by some skilful and discreet person, to be appointed and qualified by them for such occasion; and whenever it shall be deemed necessary for any purpose beneficial to the town, to impose and levy on the property, so directed to be assessed and valued, any sum or sums of money, in equal and fair proportions, (*Provided* the money so to be imposed and levied shall not exceed in any one year the rate of thirty cents for every hundred dollars worth of property, according to such respective assessments and valuation, in the same proportion upon every greater or smaller share of property; to) appoint and qualify an active and discreet person annually, under satisfactory security, to be the bailiff of the said town, and to give such directions in the execution of his office as shall be necessary to accomplish the intentions of this act; to pay their clerk, and the bailiff of the said town respectively, a reasonable allowance for their services, to be rated by the said commissioners on the property aforesaid by equal assessments; and generally to order and promote such regulations and improvements for the benefit and advantage of the said town and precincts, as the said commissioners shall determine to be necessary.

Proviso.

Taxes on
non-residents.

8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the quota of assess-