

Dec. Ses. 1816. shall be signed by the mayor, and the seal of the corporation be thereto annexed, and be deposited with the register of the said town, and be received in evidence as boundaries of the said town, and of the wards, lots, lanes and alleys therein.

Powers of the town commissioners to cease.

16. *And be it enacted*, That the powers and authority vested in the town commissioners heretofore appointed by law for Frederick-Town, shall cease and determine as soon as this act shall be in force and operation, and immediately upon the operation of this act, the records, papers, proceedings, monies, accounts, and all other matters and things appertaining to the said commissioners, shall be lodged and deposited with the register, and the powers heretofore by law vested in them are hereby transferred to and vested in the corporation aforesaid, who may ordain and pass as aforesaid all such ordinances as may be necessary in the exercise of those powers vested by this section.

Acts repealed.

17. *And be it enacted*, That all such acts of the assembly as gave to the levy court the power of appointing a market-master, hay-weigher, and all other acts of assembly relating to Frederick-town, that are inconsistent with this law, be and the same are hereby repealed from and after the third Monday of March next.

Judges of elections.

18. *And be it enacted*, That the justices of the peace for the time being, residing in Frederick-town, or any three or more of them, shall appoint, by writing under their hands, three judges to hold the first election for mayor and aldermen, and one judge for each ward to hold the first election for common council men; and the said judges, or such of them as shall attend, shall conduct the said elections in the manner in which the judges of an election district are now by law directed to hold an election for delegates to the assembly, as far as may be consistent with the other provisions of this act; and the said judge or judges of election for mayor and aldermen, and the several judges for the election of the members of the common council, shall jointly make return, under their hands and seals, of the persons elected as mayor, aldermen, and members of the common council, to the clerk of Frederick-county, to be by him safely kept; and a register shall be elected according to the provisions of this act, to whom he is required; on application, to deliver the same; and no person shall be chosen an alderman of said town, at the said first election, unless he be actually assessed in the county assessment, and be in all other respects qualified as an alderman is by this law required, except only as to being taxed by the corporation; the person so chosen at the said first election, to be notified thereof by the judges of election, within three days thereafter; all future elections to be held by such judge or judges, in such manner as shall be directed from time to time by ordinance of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with this law.

Mayor's salary

19. *And be it enacted*, That the mayor may, in addition to his fees, receive an annual salary, to be fixed by ordinance of the corporation; *Provided always*, that every ordinance fixing the annual salary of the mayor, shall continue or be in force for one year, and no longer.

— to take acknowledgment of deeds, &c.

20. *And be it enacted*, That the mayor of Frederick may take the acknowledgment of any deed or instrument of writing, re-