

CHAPTER 160.

Dec Ses 1817.

An act relating to the Village of Church-Hill, in Queen Anne's County.

Passed Feb 11

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of the inhabitants of the village of Church-Hill, in Queen-Anne's county, that the tranquility and prosperity of said village would be materially promoted by having the same under the direction of a board of commissioners; Therefore,

Preamble

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That five judicious and discreet persons, residing in the village of Church-Hill, shall be elected by ballot, on the third Monday of March next, annually thereafter, at some public place in said village, by the free male white house keepers or heads of families, residing in the said village, or such persons holding real property therein, and the five persons who shall appear to have the greatest number of votes at the close of the election, shall be declared duly elected the commissioners of said village, and shall have and exercise the several powers and authority delegated to them by this act.

Election of commiss'rs.

2. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners aforesaid, immediately after their election, shall proceed to enact such by-laws or regulations, not contrary to the laws of this state, as they may deem proper for the observance of good order in the village aforesaid, and that such by-laws or ordinances shall be recorded in a book subject to the inspection of the inhabitants of said village at all times.

May make by-laws.

3. *And be it enacted,* That the said commissioners are empowered to mark and bound the limits of the said village, to any extent to which the property of the inhabitants may extend, and any law or regulation that may be enacted by the commissioners aforesaid, shall be, and is hereby declared to be, in full force to such extent.

Limits of village to be marked.

4. *And be it enacted,* That if any vacancy shall happen in the office of one or more of the commissioners, by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, it shall be lawful for the remaining commissioners, and they are hereby required, to cause an election to be made in said village by the inhabitants thereof, and others qualified to vote as aforesaid, of one or more judicious and discreet persons, resident as aforesaid, to supply every such vacancy during the remainder of the term, and the time of holding such intervening election shall be previously notified for the space of ten days previous to the election.

Vacancies

CHAPTER 161.

A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the Preservation of the Breed of Wild Deer in Somerset and Dorchester Counties.

Passed Feb 12

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons whatsoever, to shoot, or otherwise destroy, any wild deer in Somerset or Dorchester counties, at any period within three years from the passage of this law, under the penalty of forty dollars, one half of which shall be applied to the use of the county, and the other half to the person who shall make information thereof, for every deer so killed or destroyed, to be recovered in the same manner as prescribed by the act to which this a supplement.

Penalty for killing deer.