

shall be exercised in the manner prescribed by this charter, or, if the manner be not prescribed then in such manner as may be prescribed by ordinance.

Section 54-19. Enforcement of Ordinances.

To assure the observance of the ordinances of the Town, the council has the power to provide that violation thereof shall be a misdemeanor and has the power to affix thereto penalties of a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) or imprisonment for not exceeding thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Any person subject to any fine, forfeiture, or penalty by virtue of any ordinance passed under the authority of this charter has the right of appeal within ten days to the circuit court of the county in which the fine, forfeiture, or penalty was imposed. The council may provide that, if the violation is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, a conviction for one violation shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

REGISTRATION, NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 54-20. Qualifications of Voters.

Every person who (1) is a citizen of the United States, (2) is at least eighteen years of age, (3) has resided in the State of Maryland for at least one year next preceding any Town election, (4) has resided within the corporate limits of the Town for six months next preceding any Town election, and (5) is registered in accordance with the provisions of this charter, is a qualified voter of the Town. Every qualified voter of the Town is entitled to vote at all Town elections.

Section 54-21. Judges of Elections.

There shall be three (3) judges of election who shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council on or before the second Monday in March in every odd-numbered year. The terms of the judges of elections begin on the second Monday in March in the year in which they are appointed and run for two years. Judges of elections shall be qualified voters of the Town and shall not hold or be candidates for any elective office during their term of office. The judge shall appoint one member as chairman. Vacancies shall be filled by the mayor with the approval of the council for the remainder of the unexpired term. The compensation of the judges shall be determined by the council.

Section 54-22. Registration.

The clerk-treasurer shall be in charge of the registration of voters. Qualified persons not registered to vote may register at the Town Hall on the last Saturday in March in each year, and at such other times or places as the clerk-treasurer or the council may designate. No person is entitled to vote in Town elections unless he is registered at least thirty (30) days prior to the election. The council, by ordinance, shall adopt and enforce any provisions necessary to establish and maintain a system of permanent registration and provide for a reregistration when required.

Section 54-23. Nominations.

Persons may be nominated for elective office in the Town at a Town meeting in March or by petition signed by ten (10) registered voters and