

shall be brought before the council ; Provided always, that when the said councillors, after having voted on any question, shall be found to be equally divided, then, and in that case only, the Mayor shall decide the question by his vote, giving his reasons for it if he thinks proper ;
 5 and neither the Mayor nor the councillors shall receive any salary or emoluments from the funds of the town during the time they shall remain in office ; Provided also, that whenever the Mayor shall not be present at any regular or special meeting of the said Town Council, the councillors present shall choose one of their number to fill the place of
 10 the Mayor during the sitting.

20. 1. The council, at its first general meeting or at a special meeting held within the fifteen days which shall follow the first day of such general meeting, shall appoint an officer who shall be called the " Secretary-Treasurer of the Town of St. Ours ;"

15 2. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be the custodier of all the books, registers, valuation rolls, collection rolls, reports, *procès-verbaux*, plans, maps, records, documents and papers kept or filed in the office or archives of the council ; he shall attend all sessions and shall enter, in a register kept for the purpose, all the proceedings of the council, and he shall
 20 allow persons interested therein to inspect the same at all reasonable hours ; and every copy or extract of or from any such book, register, valuation roll, collection roll, report, *procès-verbal*, plan, map, record, document or paper, certified by such Secretary-Treasurer, shall be deemed authentic ;

25 3. Every person appointed Secretary-Treasurer shall, before acting as such, give the security hereinafter mentioned ;

4. He shall furnish two sureties, whose names shall be approved by a resolution of the Council, before they shall be admitted as such ; such sureties shall be jointly and severally bound together with the Secretary-
 30 Treasurer, and their obligation shall extend to the payment of all sums of money for which the Secretary-Treasurer may at any time be accountable to the Corporation, including principal, interest and costs, as well as the penalties and damages to which he shall become liable in the exercise of his office ;

35 5. Every such security bond shall be made by an act before a Notary and accepted by the Mayor, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to transmit to the Mayor a copy of the same ;

6. Every such security bond, when duly registered in the registry office for the County of Richelieu, shall carry with it a hypothec
 40 (*hypothèque*) only on such immovable property as shall have been therein designated ; and it shall be the duty of the chief officer of the Council to cause it to be registered immediately on receipt thereof ;

7. The Secretary-Treasurer of the Council shall receive all moneys due and payable to the Corporation, and he shall pay out of such moneys
 45 all drafts or orders drawn upon him by any person thereunto authorized by this Act, for the payment of any sum to be expended or due by the Municipality, whenever thereunto authorized by the Council, but no such draft or order shall be lawfully paid by the said Secretary-Treasurer unless the same shall show sufficiently the use to be made of the
 50 sum mentioned in such draft or order, or the nature of the debt to be paid thereby ;

8. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep, in due form, books of account,