

appointed, or chairman so chosen, shall declare such five candidates first nominated duly elected councillors to serve as aforesaid.

If a poll is demanded.

7. In case of a poll being so demanded, the returning officer for each ward in such township shall cause a poll to be opened at the polling place appointed in such ward, on the first Monday in January 5 following, and shall take the votes in the same way, and keep the poll open for the full time required by law for taking the votes in cases where no wards shall be established.

Proceedings for holding it.

Poll-book to be returned attested on oath.

8. Every returning officer shall, on the day after the close of the poll, return the poll-book to the township clerk, verified under oath 10 before the said clerk, or any Justice of the Peace for the county or union of counties in which the said township may lie, as to the due and correct taking of the votes for the said ward.

Counting the votes and declaring the candidates elected.

9. The township clerk, or person so appointed, or chairman so chosen as aforesaid, shall add up the number of votes set down for each 15 candidate in the respective poll-books, and ascertain the aggregate number of votes, and shall, at the township hall, or such other place at which the nomination was held, at noon of the day following the return of the poll-books, publicly declare the same, beginning with the candidate having the greatest number, and so on with the others, and 20 shall thereupon publicly declare elected the five candidates respectively standing the highest on the poll.

Casting vote in case of ties.

10. In case two or more candidates have an equal number of votes, the said clerk, whether otherwise qualified or not, shall give a vote for one or more of such candidates so as to decide the election; and, except 25 in such case, no township clerk shall vote at any such election.

Construing this Act.

11. This Act shall be taken and read as part of the Act intituled: An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada.