

fixing the remuneration of officers. Officials hold office only during the pleasure of the council, unless the office is held under a contract, in writing, authorized by a by-law of the corporation.

280. Any municipal council, other than a provisional council, may grant to any officer who has been in the service of the municipality for at least twenty years, and who has, while in such service, become incapable through old age of efficiently discharging the duties of his office, a sum not exceeding his aggregate salary or other remuneration for the last three years of his service, as a gratuity upon his removal or resignation. 46 V. c. 18, s. 282.

281. The bonds or policies of guarantee of any incorporated or joint stock company, empowered to grant guarantees, bonds or policies for the integrity and faithful accounting of public officers and other like purposes, may be accepted instead of, or in addition to, the bond or security of any officer or servant of a municipal corporation, in all cases where, by the provisions of this or any other Act, or of any by-law of such corporation, such officer or servant is required to give security, either by himself, or by himself and a surety or sureties, and where the parties directed or authorized to take such security see fit to accept the bond or policy of such company as aforesaid, and approve the terms and conditions thereof; and all the provisions in such Act relating to such security, to be given by such officer or servant, or his sureties, shall apply to the bonds and policies of guarantee of such company as aforesaid, which may be taken instead of, or in substitution of, any existing securities, if the parties directed or authorized as aforesaid see fit, whereupon such existing securities shall be delivered up to be cancelled. 46 V. c. 18, s. 283.

JURISDICTION OF COUNCILS.

282. The jurisdiction of every council shall be confined to the municipality the council represents, except where authority beyond the same is expressly given; and the powers of the council shall be exercised by by-law, when not otherwise authorized or provided for. 46 V. c. 18, s. 284.

NOTE.—See note to sec. 8, see ss. 288-290.