

freeholders and householders of the age of twenty-one years and over, whose names appear on the last revised assessment roll, and who have been resident within the territory sought to be incorporated for at least four months immediately prior to the signing of said petition, within the district sought to be incorporated, and of whom not fewer than one half shall be freeholders.

(3) If the district sought to be incorporated, or any part thereof, has been laid out in lots on a registered plan, each petitioner shall state the number of the lot on said plan owned or occupied by him, and shall further set out whether he is a freeholder or householder.

(4) No by-law shall be passed under this section unless the petition therefor shall have been lodged with the clerk of the county at least one month before the meeting of the council at which the same is to be considered, nor unless public notice shall have, within two months previous to the meeting of the council at which the same shall be considered, been published at least once a week for two successive weeks in some newspaper at or nearest to the locality sought to be incorporated, and such notice shall set forth a description of the area intended to be embraced in the village. 54 V. c. 42, s. 2.

**77.** (1) No Judge of any Court of civil jurisdiction, no gaoler or keeper of a house of correction, no sheriff, deputy sheriff, sheriff's bailiff, high bailiff or chief constable of any city or town, assessor, collector, treasurer, or clerk of any municipality, no bailiff of any Division Court, no county crown attorney, no registrar, no deputy clerk of the crown, no clerk of the County Court, no clerk of the peace, no high school trustee, no innkeeper or saloonkeeper, or shop-keeper licensed to sell spirituous liquors by retail, no license commissioner or inspector of licenses, no police magistrate, and no person having by himself or his partner an interest in any contract with or on behalf of the corporation, and no person who is counsel or solicitor, either by himself or with or through another, in the prosecution of any claim, action or proceeding against the municipality shall be qualified to be a member of the council of any municipal corporation. 46 V. c. 18, s. 77; 47 V. c. 32, s. 2; 52 V. c. 36, s. 4.

(2) But no person shall be held to be disqualified from being elected a member of the council of any municipal corporation by reason of his being a shareholder in any incorporated company having dealings or contracts with the