

the said Corporation, as constituted under this Act, shall succeed and be substituted for all purposes whatsoever, in the engagements, rights and trusts of the Municipal Council of the Village of St. Ours, as heretofore constituted.

7. The Municipal Elections for the said Town shall be held in the month of January in each year, and public notice thereof shall be given at least eight days previous to such election in the French language, by notices posted up at the door of the church of the parish of St. Ours, and in the Market of the said Town, and read at the door of the said church, at the issue of Divine Service in the morning of Sunday preceding the election; and the said notice shall be signed for the first election in virtue of this Act, by the present Mayor of the village of St. Ours, or in his absence by the Registrar of the County of Richelieu, and shall specify the day, the place and the hour upon which such election shall be held for the said Town; and for all subsequent elections, the said notice shall be signed by the Mayor or the Secretary-Treasurer of the Town, and shall specify in like manner the day, place and hour upon which the said elections are to take place in the said town.

Time for holding elections.

Notice.

Subsequent elections.

8. Before the publication of the notice announcing such election, the present Council of the village of St. Ours, for the first election to take place in the month of January next, and afterwards the Council of the said Town for subsequent elections, shall appoint one of their number to preside at and to conduct such election, and shall specify the place where it shall be held; such Councillor having under him a deputy, appointed and paid by the Council; such Deputy shall have the qualifications necessary to entitle him to vote at such election, and if he think fit, it shall be lawful for him to have a poll-clerk, whom he shall appoint by a writing under his hand; and the poll shall be open for the reception and registration of votes from nine of the clock in the forenoon until four of the clock in the afternoon of the day appointed for the said election, provided the election shall not have taken place by acclamation; and at the closing of the poll, the deputy shall declare the seven persons who shall have obtained the greatest number of votes to be duly elected Councillors of the said town, and in case the candidates have an equal number of votes, the Deputy acting at the poll shall give his casting vote:

President at first election and mode of proceeding thereat.

Poll.

Declaring candidates elected.

2. If the votes of all the electors present have not been polled by the hour of four in the afternoon of the first day of the said meeting, the Deputy shall adjourn the proceedings thereof to the hour of nine in the forenoon of the following day, when he shall continue to take down the votes, and he shall close the election at the hour of four in the afternoon of the second day, and shall then declare duly elected Councillors, such of the candidates as shall be entitled to be so declared elected;

Adjournment of poll to second day, if all votes not polled.