

householders rated upon such rolls in respect of real property lying within such limits, the amount of the assessed value of such real property for which they shall be respectively rated on such rolls, which copies shall be verified on oath, or as now required by law.

Oath of office. VI. The said Returning Officer, before holding the said election, shall take the oath or affirmation now required by law to be taken by Returning Officers for Incorporated Villages in Upper Canada. 5

Annual Elections after 1861. For 1861. VII. Elections for Councillors for the said Village of Merrickville after the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty one, shall be held in conformity with the provisions of law applying to Incorporated Villages in Upper Canada, the election for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty one, shall be held as is hereinbefore provided for the said first election; copies of the rolls of the said Townships for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty being required to be furnished in the same manner as is provided and required for said first election, and the Returning Officer for the said election for eighteen hundred and sixty-one shall be appointed by the Council of the said Village of Merrickville, at their last meeting in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, held before the twentieth day of December in that year. 10 15

Rolls, Returning Officer, &c.

Oaths of office. VIII. The several persons who shall be elected or appointed under this Act shall take the same oaths of office and of qualification as now prescribed by law. 20

Number of Councillors, &c. IX. The number of Councillors to be elected under this Act shall be five, and they shall be organized as a Council in the same manner as in Villages Incorporated under the Upper Canada Municipal Act, and have, use, and exercise the same privileges as in the said Incorporated Villages. 25

Village to cease to form part of Wolford and Montague. X. From and after the passing of this Act the said Village of Merrickville shall cease to form part of the said Townships of Wolford and Montague, and shall to all intents and purposes form a separate and independent Municipality, with all the privileges and rights of an Incorporated Village in Upper Canada; but nothing herein contained shall affect or be construed to affect any taxes imposed for the payment of any debts contracted by the said Townships of Wolford and Montague, or either of them, but the Treasurer of the Village of Merrickville shall be liable to pay to the Treasurer of the Township of Wolford, or the Treasurer of the Township of Montague as the case may be, in each and every year until any such existing debt be fully discharged, the same amount which was collected within the said described limits of the said Village, heretofore part of the said Township of Wolford and Montague respectively, towards the payment of such debt for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and the same shall be a debt against the said Village. 30 35 40

Provisions as to debts of the said Townships.

Taxes for 1860, to be collected by Village, not by Township Officers, &c. XI. The Officers of the Councils of the said Townships of Wolford and Montague shall not proceed to collect any rate or assessment imposed by either of the said Councils for the present year, within the limits of the said Village, but the amount which may be required for the purposes of the said Village within the present year, shall be based on the assessment of the assessor or assessors of the said Townships for the present year, and shall be collected by the officers to be appointed by the said Village Council for that purpose: Provided always, that such portion of the amount assessed for County purposes as would have been 45 50

As to taxes for Township purposes.