

electors present at such meeting do approve or disapprove of the said By-law, and when the question shall have been put, the person presiding shall declare whether, in his opinion, the majority approves or disapproves of the By-law, and his decision, unless immediately appealed from, shall be final, and it shall forthwith be communicated to the Council of the Municipality in which the said By-law shall have originated, by a certificate under the seal of the Chairman or Secretary of the meeting. 5

Appeal from the decision of the President.

V. Any three qualified municipal electors present at the said meeting may appeal from the decision of the person presiding and may demand a poll, and such poll shall be granted by the person presiding at the said meeting, and the votes shall be forthwith taken by him, the Clerk of the Municipality acting as Poll-clerk; each elector shall present himself in turn to the person presiding, and shall give his vote,—“yea” or “nay,”—the word “yea” shall signify that he approves of the proposed By-law, the word “nay” shall signify that he disapproves of the said By-law; but no person shall be permitted to vote unless it appears by the Assessment Rolls, that he is duly qualified to vote as a municipal elector. 15

How the voting &c., shall be conducted.

VI. The voting for the approval or rejection as aforesaid of the said By-law, shall be proceeded with in the manner prescribed by the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855 as regards the time and hour of voting and the closing of the poll, and the officer who shall preside at the meeting of the municipal electors for the purposes aforesaid, shall be invested with the powers conferred by the said Act for the preservation of the peace, and the maintenance of good order. 20

Certificate of decision.

VII. Upon the closing of the Poll the person presiding shall count the yeas and nays, and shall declare and certify for the information of the Council in which the By-law has originated, whether the majority approve or disapprove of the said By-law, and such certificate shall be countersigned by the Clerk of the Municipality who shall have acted as Secretary of the meeting, and shall be preserved by him with the poll-book among the archives of his office. 52

In case of approval of By-law.

VIII. In case the By-law shall be approved by a majority of the municipal electors, it shall have force and effect from the day of such approval.

Power to exclude certain properties.

IX. The local municipality so constituting itself into a Mutual Association for the purposes hereinbefore enumerated, may exclude certain properties, houses, buildings, effects and articles from the benefit of the assurance authorized by this Act, which such property shall in no case however, be assessed for the purposes of this Act. 35

By-law to be passed as to description of property admissible to the benefits of assurance.

X. So soon as any local Municipality shall have constituted itself into a Mutual Association in conformity with this Act, it shall be the duty of such Municipality by Resolution or By-law to declare what properties, houses, buildings, effects and articles shall not be admissible to the benefits of insurance by the Mutual Association of the local Municipality; and the By-law or Resolution so passed shall be published and posted up in the manner provided for the publication of By-laws in the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855. 40

Insurance not to cover more than two

XI. The insurance shall in no case cover more than two-thirds, or less than two-thirds if the local Council think proper, of the value of the pro-