

"I, , having been appointed one of the assessors of the Town of Three Rivers, do solemnly swear, that I will diligently and honestly discharge the duties of that office to the best of my ability: So help me God."

Real property
qualifications.

XXVII. The assessors who shall be appointed for the said Town, shall be proprietors of real estate in the said Town of the value of at least two hundred and fifty pounds currency of this Province. 5

Proceedings of
Council upon
deposit of as-
essment roll.

XXVIII. When the assessors shall have made a valuation of all the rateable property of the said Town, they shall deposit the assessment roll with the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Town, and notice of such deposit shall be given by the Secretary-Treasurer in a newspaper published in the said Town: And at the next ensuing meeting of the said Council, the said assessment roll shall be produced, and if they desire it, examined by the Councillors; and the assessment roll shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer for the period of one month, dating from such meeting; and during that period it shall remain open to the inspection of all persons whose property shall have been estimated, or their representatives; and within that period persons considering themselves aggrieved may give notice in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer, of their intention to appeal to the said Town Council, complaining of any excessive valuation, and such appeal shall be tried by the said Council at the first meeting which shall be held after the expiration of the month above mentioned; and the said Council, after having heard the parties and their witnesses under oath, which shall be administered by the Mayor or presiding Councillor, shall confirm or alter the valuation, the change whereof shall have been prayed for, as to them shall seem just; and at the same meeting the said assessment roll shall be declared closed for three years; unless, however, from the number of appeals, the Council shall be compelled to adjourn, in which case the said assessment roll shall not be declared closed until all the appeals shall have been heard and determined; Provided always, that if after the said assessment roll shall have been declared closed as aforesaid, any property in the said Town should suffer any considerable diminution in value, either through fire, demolition, accident or any other reasonable cause, it shall be lawful for the said Council upon the petition of the proprietor, to instruct the assessors to reduce their valuation of such property to its then actual value; and provided also, that if any omission shall have been made in the said assessment roll, the said Council may order the assessors to value any property so omitted, in order to its being added to the roll. 10 15 20 25 30 35

Proviso.

Two auditors
of accounts to
be appointed.

XXIX. At the first meeting of the said Town Council after each Annual Municipal Election, two persons shall be appointed by the said Town Council, to be Auditors of the accounts of the said Council; and such Auditors shall take the following oath before any one of the Justices of the Peace residing in the said town, that is to say: 40

I, , having been appointed to the office of Auditor of the town of Three Rivers, do hereby swear, that I will faithfully perform the duties thereof, according to the best of my judgment and ability; and I do declare that I have not directly or indirectly any share or interest whatever, in any contract or employment with, by, or on behalf of the Town Council of the said town of Three Rivers: So help me God. 45 50