as above described, shall meet in each of their respective Municipalities for the purpose of making the first election of Municipal Councillors to serve for the said several Municipalities under and according to the provisions of the above recited Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act.

Warden of Shefford County to appoint persons to preside at such elections. 4. It shall be the duty of the Warden of the County of Shefford, on or before the fifteenth day of July next, to give public notice to the inhabitants of the several Municipalities so erected as aforesaid, of the time and place at which the said elections shall be held, and to appoint a chairman in each of the said Municipalities to preside over the said election, who shall have all the powers and discharge all the duties assigned by the said above recited Act to the person presiding over such Municipal elections; and the first election of Councillors for the said Municipalities having been made as aforesaid, all future elections shall be made at the time and in the manner required by the Acts cited in this Act.

Power of Councils to be as if elected in January, 1862.

5. Each Municipal Council of the said newly erected Municipalities may elect its Mayor, appoint its officers, and all persons required to carry out the Act aforesaid, complying with the provisions thereof, and doing all things within the limits of its jurisdiction, as if it had been organized in January, 1863; and the Councillors and officers so appointed shall remain in office until the appointment of their successors in the ordinary course of the Municipal Law.

Proviec as to debts.

6. Nothing herein contained or that may be authorized or done in pursuance of the Act shall have the effect of releasing any part of the territories so erected into Municipalities as aforesaid, from the debts or 25 obligations contracted before the passing of this Act by any Municipality of which it formed a part.

Public Act.

7. This Act shall be deemed a public Act.