

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

CHAPTER 880

An Act to amend and reenact § 14 of Chapters 406 and 521 of the Acts of Assembly of 1999, which provided a charter for the Town of Bluefield, relating to the town treasurer.

[S 1172]

Approved March 22, 2003

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 14 of Chapters 406 and 521 of the Acts of Assembly of 1999 is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 14. Town treasurer.

A. A town treasurer shall be elected from and by the qualified voters of the town at the May councilmanic election, 1980, and each four years thereafter, appointed by the town manager, and shall qualify and assume the duties of his office the following July 1 and serve for four years thereafter, and thereafter until his successor has been elected and qualified appointed, and shall be bonded, by corporate bond, as the council may deem necessary.

B. The town treasurer shall be the disbursing agent of the town and have the custody of all moneys, and all evidence of value belonging to the town or held in trust by the town.

C. He shall receive all moneys belonging to and received by the town and keep a correct account of all receipts from all sources and expenditures of all departments. He shall collect all taxes and assessments, water rents, and other charges belonging to and payable to the town, and for that purpose he is hereby vested with any and all powers which are now or may hereafter be vested in county and city treasurers for the collection of county, city and state taxes under the general law.

D. He shall pay no money out of the treasury except in the manner prescribed in this charter.

E. He shall make all such reports and perform such other duties as may be required by the council or by this charter.

F. The treasurer shall not be entitled to any commission whatsoever for handling the funds of the town; he shall be paid for his services such salary as may be provided by the council town manager.

G. The treasurer shall, as soon as the Tazewell County commissioner of the revenue completes the land and personal property books, take such books and carefully audit them, and compare them with the books of the previous year. The land book shall be compared with the assessor's book lodged in the clerk's office of Tazewell County, and the personal property book shall be compared with the books of the previous year, and the treasurer shall ascertain which of the citizens, if any, have not been assessed by the Tazewell County commissioner of the revenue, and the list of those not assessed shall be laid before the town council at its next meeting. The treasurer shall examine the books and shall see that the amount of tax is correctly extended in accordance with the rate of taxation at that time in force, and the columns of such book shall be carefully audited and the errors therein, if any, shall be corrected. The treasurer shall take the delinquent lists and lay them before the town council, and it shall be the duty of the council to carefully examine the delinquent report of both real and personal tax. If the treasurer has returned any tax, either real or personal, delinquent that should not under the provisions of the ordinances of the town have been returned delinquent, the council shall refuse to allow him credit therefore and shall strike from the delinquent report any and all such taxes. After such report has been corrected as herein provided, the treasurer will be credited accordingly.

H. The treasurer shall serve as the town's director of finance and perform such other duties as may be required of him by this charter, the council, or the town manager.