

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2006 SESSION

## CHAPTER 17

*An Act to amend and reenact §§ 3.4 and 3.7 of Chapter 124 of the Acts of Assembly of 2002, which provided a charter for the Town of Clifton Forge, relating to the regular election date for certain Clifton Forge local elections.*

[H 474]

Approved February 23, 2006

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That §§ 3.4 and 3.7 of Chapter 124 of the Acts of Assembly of 2002 are amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 3.4. Election and term of office.

The council shall be elected in the manner provided by Virginia elections laws. Three council members shall be elected on the ~~first~~ Tuesday *after the first Monday in May* November of the year 2002 2006 and every four years thereafter. Two other council members shall be elected on the ~~first~~ Tuesday *after the first Monday in May* November of the year 2004 2008 and every four years thereafter.

The term of office for all council members shall begin on the first day of ~~July~~ January next following their election, and they shall serve for a term of four years or until a successor shall have been elected and qualified; *provided, however, that the terms of the three council members subject to expire June 30, 2006, shall be extended to December 31, 2006, and the terms of the two council members subject to expire June 30, 2008, shall be extended to December 31, 2008.* The council members may succeed themselves as often as the voters may choose.

§ 3.7. Mayor and vice-mayor.

At the first meeting of the council in ~~July~~ January of each ~~even~~ odd-numbered year, the council shall elect from its members a mayor who shall be one of said five council members and who shall serve for a term of two years. The mayor as a member of the council shall have the same powers and duties as other members of the council, with a vote, but no veto. In addition, the mayor shall preside at meetings of the council, shall be recognized as head of the town government for all ceremonial purposes, for purposes of military law, and for the service of civil processes but shall have no administrative duties.

At the first meeting of the council in ~~July~~ January of each ~~even~~ odd-numbered year, the council shall also elect from its members a vice-mayor who shall serve for a term of two years. The vice-mayor shall act as mayor during the absence or disability of the mayor.

*The mayor and vice-mayor in office at the time of the passage of the amendment to this charter shall continue in office as mayor and vice-mayor, respectively, until the first meeting of the council in January 2007.*

**2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.**