

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact §§ 5, 7, and 11 of the charter of the Town of Appomattox, which was*
3 *granted by order of the Circuit Court of the County of Appomattox on June 2, 1925, and to repeal*
4 *§ 8 of such charter, relating to the oath of office and the duties of the mayor and the town manager.*

5 [H 177]

6 Approved

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

8 **1. That §§ 5, 7, and 11 of the charter of the Town of Appomattox, which was granted by order of**
9 **the Circuit Court of the County of Appomattox on June 2, 1925, are amended and reenacted as**
10 **follows:**

11 § 5. Mayor's authority, duties and right to vote.

12 *The mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the town, and it shall be his duty to see that the*
13 *by-laws and ordinances thereof are fully executed, and he shall preside over the meetings of the town*
14 *council, voting only in case of a tie and shall have the same right to speak therein as the councilmen.*
15 *However, he shall not have the right to vote except in the case of a tie, in which event he shall be*
16 *entitled to cast one vote. He shall be recognized as the head of the town for all ceremonial purposes,*
17 *the purposes of military law, and the service of civil process.*

18 § 7. Appointment of town manager; powers and duties of town manager.

19 *The mayor shall see that the duties of the various town officers, members of the police and fire*
20 *departments, whether elected or appointed, are faithfully performed. He shall have the power to*
21 *investigate their acts, have access to all books and documents in their office; and may examine them or*
22 *their subordinates on oath; but the evidence given by persons so examined shall not be used against*
23 *them in any criminal prosecution.*

24 *There shall be a town manager who shall be the chief operating officer of the town and shall be*
25 *responsible to the town council for the proper administration of the town government. He shall be*
26 *appointed by the town council for an indefinite period and shall hold office during the pleasure of the*
27 *town council. The town manager shall also have the following duties and powers, subject to the*
28 *approval of council:*

29 *1. To see that all laws and ordinances are enforced.*30 *2. To exercise supervision and control over all administrative departments and divisions.*

31 *3. To attend all regular meetings of the town council, with the right to take part in the discussion,*
32 *but having no vote.*

33 *4. To recommend to the town council for adoption such measures as he may deem necessary or*
34 *desirable.*

35 *5. To keep the town council advised as to the present and future needs of the town and as to all*
36 *operations of its government.*

37 *6. To perform all such duties as may be prescribed by the charter, or be required of him by the town*
38 *council.*

39 § 11. Oath of office; bonds.

40 *Every person elected a councilman of said town shall take an oath faithfully to execute the duties of*
41 *his office, to the best of his judgment; the person elected mayor shall take the oath prescribed by law*
42 *for state officers, and the person elected appointed treasurer shall likewise take the same form of oath as*
43 *the mayor, and shall give bond, with corporate surety, in a penalty to be fixed by the town council,*
44 *payable to the town by its corporate name, and with condition for the faithful discharge of his duties,*
45 *and it shall be his especial duty to collect all taxes and levies of the town, receive all fines, for the*
46 *violation of the town ordinances, receive all license fees and tax imposed by the town council, issue all*
47 *licenses and keep accurate account of the same, and publish a statement of all collections and*
48 *disbursements of said town, and not in conflict with the general law of the State of Virginia.*

49 **2. That § 8 of the charter of the Town of Appomattox, which was granted by order of the Circuit**
50 **Court of the County of Appomattox on June 2, 1925, is repealed.**