

lighting companies to light and illuminate the streets, highways, and other public places in said village with electric light, gas light, or other illuminant.

The township commissioners may levy for the maintenance of said lights an annual special tax upon all the property, including factories and places of business, abutting upon said highways, based upon the assessment for county purposes. Such tax shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes. The township treasurer shall receive the same commission as on other township taxes. No such tax shall be levied against any farm land, but vacant lots between built-up sections, whether tilled or untilled, shall not be deemed to be farm lands. The township treasurer shall keep all such taxes collected for lighting the highways in a separate account and pay out the same only upon orders signed by the president or vice president of the township commissioners, attested by the secretary or assistant secretary. The treasurer shall make a report to the auditor or controller of the township annually.

XIV. Water Supplies. To enter into contracts with any person or corporation to supply water for fire protection and other purposes for a period not exceeding twenty years. No such contract shall be exclusive as against the right of any other water company, nor interfere with the right of such township to erect, maintain, and operate its own waterworks.

XV. Fire and Water Districts; Bond Issues and Taxes. To create, by ordinance, fire and water districts in any portion or portions of townships when, in their opinion, the same is necessary for the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of said township; to issue bonds restricted to the districts so created, for the purpose of procuring and maintaining the necessary supply of water to said district; and to levy such special tax restricted to said district as may be necessary to redeem any bonds so issued. In lieu of the foregoing provisions relating to the issue of bonds, the township commissioners may charge for any such water supply by an assessment of a special water tax on all properties located in the water district, which tax shall be based on the assessment for county purposes as established for general taxation. Such tax may be levied for a single year or for a term of years as the township commissioners may determine, and shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes: Provided, also, That in lieu of the foregoing provisions, that in all cases where said township shall have established a water system and shall construct main water lines in said township, the board of township commissioners may charge the cost of construction of any municipal

water lines or lateral lines, upon any streets, alleys, and thoroughfares adjacent to main lines, or such portion of the cost of construction as the board may deem proper, upon the properties benefited or accommodated thereby. The ordinance, providing for such charge, shall be adopted by the board within six months from date of the final completion of such system of water lines. Said charges shall be assessed and collected in the manner provided in this act for the assessment and collection of charges for the construction of sewers.

XVI. Fire Regulations. To make regulations, as may be deemed proper, relative to the cause and management of fires and the prevention thereof; to take measures for the extinguishment of fires, either by making annual appropriations towards the maintenance of fire companies, or in such other manner as said board of commissioners may deem proper; to ordain rules and regulations for the government of such fire companies and their officers, and to regulate the method to be followed in the extinguishment of fires; to purchase and maintain apparatus for the extinguishment of fires, and to make rules and regulations for the management of same.

XVII. Fire Houses. To provide and maintain suitable places for the housing of engines, hose carts, and other apparatus for the extinguishment of fire. No such building shall be erected or maintained without obtaining the assent of the electors thereof, expressed at an election to be held at the place, time, and under the same regulations as provided by law for the holding of municipal elections. At such election the judges, inspectors, and clerks shall receive ballots from the electors, which shall be prepared in the manner prescribed by the general election law. In receiving and counting and in making returns of the votes cast, the inspectors, judges, and clerks of said election shall be governed by the laws of this Commonwealth regulating municipal elections, and the vote shall be counted by the court as is now provided by laws for municipal elections. The constables of the township, by direction of the board of township commissioners, shall issue proclamation, ten days prior to date of the municipal election, stating that the qualified electors will vote "For or against a fire-engine house."

XVIII. Building Regulations. To make regulations for the construction of new buildings and the alteration and repair of old ones, and to require that before the work begins municipal approval of the plans and specifications therefor be secured; to classify buildings or parts of buildings according to the use to be made of them; to specify the mode of construction of such different classes of buildings; and to require that before

any use or occupancy be changed from any classification to a different classification, as to which more stringent regulations are prescribed under the provisions of any ordinance relating thereto, municipal approval of the plans and specifications therefor be secured.

XIX. Building Sanitation Regulations. In addition to other remedies provided by law, and in order to promote the public health, safety, morals, and the general welfare, to enact and enforce suitable ordinances to govern and regulate the construction, alteration, repairs, occupation, maintenance, sanitation, lighting, ventilation, water supply, toilet facilities, drainage, use, and inspection of all buildings, or parts of buildings, constructed, erected, altered, designed, or used, in whole or in part, for human habitation, and of the sanitation and inspection of land appurtenant thereto. In case any building or structure is constructed, reconstructed, altered, repaired, converted, or maintained, or any building or land is used, in violation of any ordinance enacted under authority conferred hereby, the corporate authorities of the township, in addition to the penalties provided by ordinances enacted herewith, may institute appropriate actions or proceedings, at law or in equity, to prevent and restrain such unlawful construction, reconstruction, alteration, repairs, conversion, maintenance, or use, and to restrain, correct, or abate such violation and to prevent the occupancy of said building or structure. The ordinances enacted pursuant to this clause shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of any statute governing the same matter, but all regulations prescribed by such ordinances, which are additional or supplementary to the statute law and not inconsistent therewith, or enacted for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the statute law, shall be valid and binding.

XX. Building Inspectors. To provide for the inspection of the construction and repair of buildings, including the appointment of one or more building inspectors; to prescribe limits wherein none but buildings of noncombustible material and fireproof roofs shall be erected or substantially reconstructed or removed thereinto; to provide penalties for the violation of such regulations. Any building erected, reconstructed, or removed, contrary to the provisions of any ordinance passed for any of the purposes herein specified, is declared to be a public nuisance and abatable as such.

XXI. Building Lines. To establish, by ordinance, and maintain uniform building lines upon any or all public streets, roads, highways, lanes and alleys of the township.

XXII. Numbering Buildings. To provide for and

regulate the naming of streets, courts and public squares; and to require and regulate the numbering of buildings.

XXIII. Insurance. To make contracts with any fire insurance company, including mutual companies, insuring any building or property of the township; to make contracts with any insurance company insuring any public liability of the township; to expend public funds to secure workmen's compensation insurance for the benefit of its employes, including volunteer firemen killed or injured while going to or returning from or attending fires within the township or territory adjacent thereto; and to enter into contracts of group insurance for the benefit of its employes.

XXIV. Markets, Market Houses and Peddling. To provide and enforce regulations for markets and market houses, whether for individual use or for sale or resale; and to acquire and own ground for and to erect, establish, and maintain market houses and market places, for which latter purposes, parts of any streets or sidewalks may be temporarily used as specified by the township commissioners; to contract with any person, firm, or corporation for the erection, maintenance, and regulation of market houses and market places, on such terms and conditions and in such manner as the board of commissioners may prescribe; to provide for the payment of the cost and expense of providing markets and market houses, either in whole or in part, from township funds; and to levy and collect a license tax from every person who may be authorized to occupy any portion of said market houses or places.

XXV. Milk Inspection. To provide for the inspection of milk and milk products; and to make regulations concerning the character and kind of milk which may be sold.

XXVI. Nuisances. To make regulations respecting piggens, slaughter houses, manure pits, drains, dumps, cesspools, and similar conditions, and to prohibit and remove any noxious or offensive manufacture, art or business, or dangerous structure, or weeds, or any other nuisance whatsoever, on public or private grounds, prejudicial to the public health or safety, or to require the removal of the same by the owner or occupier of such grounds; in default of which, the township may cause the same to be done and collect the cost thereof, together with a penalty of twenty per centum of such cost, in the manner provided by law for the collection of municipal claims or by action of assumpsit without the filing of a claim.

XXVII. Garbage and Rubbish. To prohibit accumulations of garbage and rubbish upon private properties; and to provide, by contract or otherwise, for the collec-

tion, removal and disposal, through incinerating works, garbage plants or otherwise, of ashes, garbage, and rubbish. Any such contract may be made for a period not exceeding three years.

XXVIII. Inflammable and Explosive Articles. To prohibit the manufacture, sale or exposure of fireworks and other inflammable and explosive articles; to prescribe the quantities of inflammable and explosive articles that may be kept in any place; and to prescribe such other safeguards as may be deemed necessary.

XXIX. Smoke Regulations. To regulate the emission of smoke from chimneys, smokestacks and other sources, except locomotive smokestacks.

XXX. Animals. To prohibit or regulate the running at large of animals.

XXXI. Amusements. To regulate, license, and prohibit shows, circuses, sports and amusements of all sorts.

XXXII. Party Walls and Fence Regulations. To make regulations respecting foundations, party walls and partition fences; and to prescribe reasonable fees for the services of its officers and agents in the adjustment of party walls, partition fences and the like, and to enforce payment of the same.

XXXIII. Watering Troughs. To erect watering troughs along the highways, at an expense not exceeding twenty dollars each, and to keep the same in repair.

XXXIV. Motor Ambulances. To acquire and to operate and maintain a motor ambulance for the purposes of conveying sick and injured persons of such municipality and the vicinity to and from hospitals, and, for such purposes, to appropriate and expend moneys of the township.

XXXV. Display of Flags. To display the flag of the United States, of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and of any county, city, borough, or township on the public buildings or any property of the township.

XXXVI. Memorial Day Appropriations. To appropriate moneys for the expenses of Memorial Day services.

XXXVII. Care of Memorials. To maintain and keep in good order and repair at the expense of the township, and it shall be their duty so to do, any soldiers' monument, gun, or carriage, or other similar memorial, when there is not in existence any person, body or organization to care for and maintain the same, and when such memorials were not erected by the government of the United States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, any other state, or by the commissioners of any county; and to receive from persons or organizations funds for such purposes.

XXXVIII. Soldiers' Cemeteries. To purchase plots

of ground in any cemetery or burial ground for the interment of such deceased service men who shall hereafter die within such township, or shall die beyond such township and shall have a legal residence within such township at the time of their death, and whose bodies are entitled to be buried by the county under the provisions of existing laws. Such plots of ground shall be paid for out of the treasury of such township.

XXXIX. Appropriations to Civic Associations. To annually appropriate a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, for the support of any voluntary association composed of electors of the several townships within such county, or any of them, which association is formed for the study and investigation of the welfare, economics, management and government of townships, and for the protection and safeguarding of the rights and franchises of townships, and for the purpose of recommending legislation beneficial to townships, or any one or more of such purposes.

XL. Armory Buildings. To appropriate money or convey land, either independently or in connection with any county, city, town, borough, or township, to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the purpose of assisting the Armory Board of the Commonwealth in the erection of armories for the use of the National Guard, and to furnish water, light, or fuel, free of cost to the Commonwealth, for use in any armory, and to do all things necessary to accomplish the purposes of this clause.

XLI. Land for Armories. To take by right of eminent domain, for the purpose of appropriating to themselves, for the use of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, such public lands, easements, and public property as may be in their possession or control, and used or held by them for any other purpose. Such right, however, shall not be exercised as to any street or highway or wharf, but all other public easements and property may be appropriated and used for the purpose herein provided, any limitation of the use thereof by the township, either by donation, dedication, appropriation, statute, or otherwise, to the contrary notwithstanding.

XLII. Land for Armory Purposes. To acquire, by purchase or by gift or by the right of eminent domain, any land for the use of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, and to convey such lands so acquired to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to assist the Armory Board in the erection of armories. The proceedings for the condemnation of lands under the provisions of this act, and for the assessment of damages for property taken, injured or destroyed, shall be taken in the same manner as is now provided by this act for the con-

demnation of lands. The power conferred by this clause shall not be exercised to take any church property, graveyard, cemetery, or any dwelling house, or the curtilage of the same, in the actual occupancy of the owner.

XLIII. Junk Dealers, Pawnbrokers, Auctions, Etc. To regulate and license junk dealers, pawnbrokers, hucksters, peddlers, vendors, and public auctions and auctioneers.

XLIV. Fire Prevention. To take measures for the prevention of fires by inspecting, regulating, and abating fire hazards.

XLV. Comfort and Waiting Stations and Drinking Fountains. To acquire property for the purposes of providing, maintaining, and operating thereon comfort and waiting stations and drinking fountains; and to construct and maintain such stations and fountains on any of the highways of the township.

ARTICLE XVI

PUBLIC HEALTH

(a) Boards of Health

Section 1601. Appointment of Boards of Health and Health Officers.—The administration of the health laws in townships shall be enforced by a board of health, or by a health officer or officers, as the case may be, appointed by the township commissioners.

Where township commissioners elect to appoint a health officer or officers, the said health officer or officers shall have the same powers and duties, and exercise the same authority, as is now prescribed for boards of health in townships. All health officers, whether appointed by boards of health or township commissioners, shall have had some experience or training in public health work in accordance with rules and regulations established by the advisory health board of the State Department of Health. Such health officers shall not enter upon the performance of their duties until they are certified so to do by the Secretary of Health of the State Department of Health.

Section 1602. Members of Board; Terms; Secretary.—Where the township commissioners decide to appoint a board of health, said board shall be composed of five members—at least one of whom shall be a reputable physician of not less than two years' experience in the practice of his profession, if one resides within the township. The members of the board shall be appointed by the township commissioners. At the first appointment, one member shall be appointed to serve for one year; one, for two years; one, for three years; one, for

four years; and one, for five years; and thereafter one member shall, in like manner, be appointed each year, to serve for five years. The members of the board of health shall serve without compensation: Provided, however, if any member of the board shall be elected to the office of secretary, he shall be entitled to receive a salary, fixed by the board for that office.

Section 1603. Organization of Board; Salary of Secretary; Bonds of Members; Fees and Penalties; Power to Administer Oaths.—The members of the board shall severally, take and subscribe to the oath prescribed for township officers; and shall annually organize by electing a president from among the members of the board, a secretary, who may or may not be a member of the board, and a health officer, who shall not be a member of the board. The secretary and the health officer shall receive such salary as may be fixed by the board and ratified by the board of commissioners of the township, and shall serve for a period of one year or until such time thereafter as their successors may be elected and qualified. They shall, severally, give bond to the township, in such sums as may be fixed by ordinance, for the faithful discharge of their duties, and shall also take and subscribe to the oath required by members of the board.

All fees which shall be collected or received by the board, or by any officer thereof in his official capacity, shall be paid over into the township treasury monthly, together with all penalties which shall be recovered for the violation of any regulation of the board. The president and secretary shall have full power to administer oaths or affirmations in any proceeding or investigation touching the regulations of the board, but shall not be entitled to receive any fee therefor.

Section 1604. Duties of Secretary.—The secretary of the board shall keep the minutes of its proceedings; shall keep accurate accounts of the expenditures of the board, shall transmit all bills to the board of township commissioners for payment in the same manner as other bills of the township are paid; shall render statements of the expenditures to the board at each stated meeting or as frequently as the board may require; shall prepare, under the directions of the board, the annual report to the township commissioners, together with the estimate of appropriation needed for the ensuing year; shall report to the State Department of Health at the end of each week, and for the fraction of each week occurring at the end of each month, the cases of communicable disease reported to the board of health, on the form provided for that purpose by the State Department of Health; shall also make an annual report to the State Department of Health; and shall make

such other reports and perform such other duties as the board of health may require.

Section 1605. Duties of Health Officer.—It shall be the duty of the health officer to attend all stated and special meetings of the board of health, and at all times be ready and available for the prompt performance of his official duties. He shall placard and quarantine all premises upon which cases of communicable disease exist, which have been reported to the board of health or of which he or the board of health may have knowledge, which are required by law or by regulation of the State Department of Health or of the local board of health to be placarded and quarantined; and shall disinfect such premises upon the expiration of the quarantine period and the recovery of the last person therein suffering from such disease. He shall serve written notice on teachers and persons in charge of public, parochial, Sunday, and other schools, requiring the exclusion from school of children who are suffering from or who reside in the same premises with other persons who are suffering from communicable diseases; shall make sanitary inspections; shall execute the orders of the board of health; and shall, in the performance of his duties, have the power and authority of a policeman.

Section 1606. Powers of Board of Health.—The said board of health shall have the power, and it shall be its duty, to enforce the laws of the Commonwealth, the regulations of the State Department of Health, and any ordinances of the township relating to health work, and to make and enforce such additional rules and regulations to prevent the introduction and spread of infectious or contagious diseases, by the regulation of intercourse with infected places, by the separation of infected persons and persons who shall have been exposed to any infectious or contagious disease, and by abating and removing all nuisances which it shall deem prejudicial to the public health, to mark infected houses or places, to prescribe rules for the construction and maintenance of house drains, wash pipes, soil pipes and cesspools, and make all such other rules and regulations as it shall deem necessary for the preservation of the public health, and such other powers relating to health work as may be delegated by the township commissioners. The board shall also have power, with the consent of the township commissioners, in case of a prevalence or apprehended prevalence of any contagious or infectious diseases in its township, to establish one or more emergency hospitals, and to make provisions and regulations for the maintenance and management of the same.

The board shall also have the power to make, enforce,