

be constructed, to cause the sidewalks along the public streets to be graded, paved, repaved or improved, and the council of the town of Kensington shall have power to lay sidewalks in said town, and shall assess the cost thereof as follows: two-thirds thereof against the abutting property owner or owners, and one-third thereof against all the assessable property in the corporate limits of said town, and the said tax so assessed shall become a lien against the taxable property in said town, two-thirds thereof against the property owner or owners whose property shall abut on said sidewalks, and one-third thereof against all the taxable property in the corporate limits of said town, and the said tax so assessed against the abutting property and the said tax so assessed against all the property in the corporate limits of said town for sidewalk improvements may be recovered at law or in the manner provided by law for the collection of delinquent State and county taxes, or said council of said town of Kensington may, by fines or otherwise, compel the owner or owners of any property, lot or lots in said town to grade, pave or repave the sidewalks, or set curbs in front thereof, agreeable to ordinances which may hereafter be passed by the council of said town.

1898, ch. 78, sec. 14, sub-sec. 4. 1912, ch. 790, sec. 356.

523. To open and keep open and free from obstructions all streets, public squares and reservations, grade and pave, close or alter the same, and their rights, powers and duties in relation thereto shall, except as hereinafter otherwise prescribed, be the same as is provided by the Code of Public General Laws of this State for opening, altering and closing public roads by the Board of County Commissioners, with the right of appeal to the Circuit Court for the county:

(5) To keep the streets and crossings and town's bridges clean and in repair;

(6) To adequately provide for the maintenance of an efficient police force and fire department;

(7) To light the streets, public squares and reservations;

(8) To compel the owners of property, or tenants, to keep the sidewalks in front of their property clean and in repair;

(9) To impose a tax on dogs, fowls, hogs and other animals running at large, or totally prohibit the same;

(10) To authorize the use of the streets for railroads, operated by electric, steam or other mechanical motive power, and to regulate the same as to grades, crossing, paving between and outside tracks and otherwise; to require and compel all lines of railway in any one street to run on and use one and the same track, and to keep in repair the bridges and crossings through which or over which their cars run;

(11) To prescribe fines, penalties and forfeitures for the violation of their ordinances, including the committal of offenders to the Montgomery County jail, until the same with costs are paid.