

Petition county
commissioners.

cation shall agree to contribute one-half of the cost in cash or in labor, as they may prefer, and said improvements shall be made under the supervision of the road commissioner in whose road district the road is located; and whenever the citizens of any district shall petition the county commissioners for the erection of a new bridge, or the said commissioners shall desire the construction of a new road already laid out, they shall refer the matter to the road commissioners of the district, with instructions to diligently inquire as to the public requirements, the probable cost of the work, and to report promptly to them with such recommendations as may be deemed proper, and the erection of all new bridges, and the construction of all new roads, shall be under the immediate supervision of the road commissioner in whose road district the same shall be done; but before the county commissioners shall accept the same from the contractors or builders thereof, the work shall be thoroughly inspected by said road commissioner, with the county commissioner in charge of the election district, and approved by them; provided that this shall not apply to small bridges which may be erected by the road commissioners under the order of the county commissioners.

Inspect work.

Drain water
unlawfully.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be unlawful for any landowner to drain water from his lands into or upon any public road, and that the person so offending shall be liable to indictment by the grand jury, and, upon conviction, shall be fined not less than ten or more than one hundred dollars, said fine to be paid into the county treasury to the credit of road and bridge account; and if, in the construction and repair of public roads, it be necessary for the proper drainage of said roads to let off the water therefrom upon the adjoining lands, the county commissioners shall award to the owner of said lands reasonable compensation for the privilege, and shall construct drains through such lands so as to prevent the spreading of the water over cultivated fields; but nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to apply to the natural course of water from the public roads into and upon adjoining lands, or from said lands into and upon the roads.

How construct.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be unlawful for any one to obstruct, fill up or otherwise injure