

and widen streets and improve the same, make crossways, establish the width and grade of sidewalks and pave said sidewalks and set out shade trees thereon and pass ordinances prohibiting the obstruction of any road, street, alley, sidewalk, stream or gutter. All damages done, suffered and incurred by opening, closing, straightening, or widening said streets or alleys, or any benefits or advantages accruing to any person by such opening, closing, straightening or widening, shall be assessed and determined by three disinterested persons, residents of said town, to be appointed by the Mayor and Town Council, who shall within twenty days after the notification of their appointment take an oath before any Justice of the Peace of Prince George's County that they will faithfully, fairly and without partiality or prejudice value and assess the loss and damage to be suffered or incurred by, or the benefits to accrue to, any person interested in the property over which the streets or alleys are to be opened, closed, straightened or widened, and they shall give at least ten days notice by notice posted in three public places in said town of the name and place of meeting for the purpose of executing their commission, and they shall within ten days after such valuation and assessment return the same in writing under their hand and seal with the certificate of their qualification before a Justice of the Peace as hereinbefore provided to the Mayor and Town Council, which said valuation or assessment shall be ratified or rejected by them as their judgment may deem proper; and if any person shall feel aggrieved by the determination of the Mayor and Council in ratifying or rejecting said award or return, or in the amount of compensation awarded, or in any matter relating to the same, he may appeal within sixty days after said ratification or rejection to the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, and the judgment of said Circuit Court shall be final between the parties, providing that the person taking the appeal shall within twenty days thereafter cause to be delivered to the Clerk of the Circuit Court the award filed with the said Mayor and Town Council, ratifying or rejecting the same, and all papers relating thereto, but this section shall not be construed or taken to deprive or deny the right of the Mayor and the Town Council to accept any street or alley which may be opened or dedicated by the owners of the ground in said street or alley for the use of the public, but the same shall be deemed streets and alleys whether heretofore or hereafter dedicated for public use without proceeding in