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record, or cause to be recorded, such road as a public road of Baltimore County, and the award, if for damages, shall be paid by the County Commissioners to the person or persons, or body corporate entitled to receive the same, within ninety days from the ratification of said award and report, and the award, if for benefits, shall be considered a tax and lien upon the property assessed, and shall be paid to the County Commissioners or the treasurer of said county upon the order of said Commissioners within sixty days from the time the award and report are finally ratified and confirmed as aforesaid, and if not then paid, shall be collected as other taxes are collected; provided, that thirty days' notice is given to the owner or owners of the property taken for such road, or to his, her, or its agent, or attorney, or left upon the premises, in case the owner is unknown; provided, that in case the damage allowed by said examiners to any person or persons, or body corporate, shall be increased either by order of the County Commissioners of said county or by the Circuit Court for said county upon an appeal from the decision of said County Commissioners, or in case the amount of benefits assessed against any person or persons, or body corporate by said examiners, be decreased either by order of the County Commissioners or by the decision of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, upon appeal from the County Commissioners, then the parties petitioning for said road shall pay pro rata according to their assessments the deficit caused by said increase of damages or decrease of said benefits, the same to be collected the same as assessments for benefits as hereinbefore provided; and provided further, that no work shall be done on any road so ratified and confirmed until all the assessments for the construction of said road shall have been paid, or in the event of a reduction of any assessment for benefits, or increase of any damages upon appeal or otherwise, as above provided, until the amount of the deficit thereby caused shall have been made up and paid by the petitioners; the County Commissioners of said county shall then advertise for sealed proposals for the construction of said road, according to the specifications furnished by said examiners, and the contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder; provided the contract price shall not exceed the amount of the net assessments collected for the building of said road, and the person or persons contracting for the building of said road shall give bond to the County Commissioners in double the amount of the contract price for the faithful performance of the contract; and the County

Award, if for benefits, shall be a tax and lien upon property assessed.

Parties petitioning for said road shall pay pro rata, etc.

Contractors shall give bond.