

majority of them, at their annual meeting at the time for holding their levy court at the court-house in Chestertown, shall levy by equal assessment on the assessable property within the said county, a sum of money not exceeding forty cents on every hundred pounds of assessable property, to be collected as other county taxes, and paid to the justices of the levy court, or to their order, and shall be applied towards straightening, amending and keeping in repair, the public roads in the said county; and the said justices, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to appropriate the funds arising from the said tax to the public roads in the said county, and shall apportion the same in just proportions among all the public roads in the said county, regarding the situation and quantity of labour necessary for the improvement of such roads.

Levy court to describe and record roads; supervisors to be appointed.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the justices of the levy court for the county aforesaid, or a majority of them, when so met together as aforesaid, shall be and they are hereby authorized and required to describe, ascertain, and distinctly record in a well bound book to be provided by them for that purpose, the several and respective public roads in the said county, and to nominate and appoint, by warrant under the hand of the clerk and seal of his office, capable and proper persons as supervisors of the several and respective roads aforesaid, according to the number and divisions of the said roads, as the same shall be ascertained upon their records; and that the said justices, or majority of them, may adjourn from day to day until the said roads shall be duly ascertained, and supervisors appointed as aforesaid; and every supervisor so appointed shall give bond to the state of Maryland, with such security as shall be approved of by the said justices, in such sum or penalty as the said justices shall require, for the performance of his duty.

Vacancies, how to be filled.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That if any supervisor, to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall refuse to act, or remove out of the district, become disqualified, or die, it shall and may be lawful for any two of the neighbouring justices of the peace to supply every vacancy so happening, by the appointment of another person, who shall give bond as aforesaid, with such security, and in such penalty, as shall be approved of by the aforesaid justices of the peace, and they shall certify every such appointment, under their hands, to the clerk of the county, who shall record the same, and within ten days thereafter shall issue a warrant to the person so appointed, and deliver the same to the sheriff, to be served upon the party in the same manner, and under the same penalty, as directed in such case by this act.

Court to establish

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That the justices of the levy court shall, at their annual meeting under this act, for the regulation