

improvements in said county which shall, in the opinion of said Street Commissioners, be benefited by the opening or grading of said street, avenue, square or alley; and within twenty days after making such assessment shall report the same, with all necessary and proper plats and explanations, to the County Commissioners of Baltimore county, who shall thereupon, after giving the notice required by section two of this Act, proceed to ratify and confirm the same, unless written objections thereto shall have been filed within the time limited in such notice; and if such objections have been duly filed the said County Commissioners shall proceed, as soon as convenience permits, to hear and determine the same, of which hearing the parties interested shall have notice; and may confirm, alter, reverse or amend such assessment or award of damages and benefits as equity and fairness may require, subject to appeal; and when such assessment or award of damages and benefits shall have been finally ratified and confirmed, the award, if for damages, shall be paid by the County Commissioners to the parties entitled to receive the same within ninety days after the final confirmation of such award; and, if for benefits, shall be considered as a tax upon the property assessed, and shall be paid to the County Commissioners within sixty days after final confirmation of such award and assessment, and in default of such payment shall be collected as other taxes are collected in Baltimore county.

Proceed to ratify.

May confirm, alter or reverse.

Tax on property.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

In force.

Approved April 1, 1872.