

width of sixty feet, and in as direct and advantageous a manner as the nature of the grounds, and legal restrictions, will admit of, and, without delay, shall execute, sign and seal, plain plots of the same, with explicit explanations thereof, and such plots and explanations shall return to the justices of the said several counties at or before the several courts to be held next after the first day of March next; and if the justices in court sitting, or a majority of them, shall approve such surveys, plots and explanations, the same shall be recorded among the land records of the county wherein the roads shall lie, in testimony of the same being established by law, but if the same be disapproved, the commissioners shall re-survey, and make such alterations and improvements therein as the said justices shall require, and upon the same being amended, returned and approved, the same shall be recorded as aforesaid.

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XXXII.

VI. **And be it enacted,** That in case of the death, resignation, disqualification, or refusal to act, of any of the commissioners aforesaid, (except for Baltimore county) the justices of the court of the county or counties where such vacancy or vacancies shall happen, in court sitting, may make other appointments to fill such vacancy or vacancies; and if such vacancy or vacancies shall happen during the recess of any court, then the senior justice of the county, with two other justices of the same county, shall have power to make such re-appointments, and such re-appointments shall be made from time to time as often as occasions shall require, until each and every of the said roads shall be surveyed, plotted, returned and recorded, as aforesaid; and after the return of any road as aforesaid shall be made and approved according to this act, the justices of the courts respectively shall order to be paid to the said commissioners, out of the monies to be levied as aforesaid, such reasonable compensations as to them shall seem meet, and the said commissioners respectively shall thereafter be dismissed: And, for the effectual clearing, grubbing and forming, the roads of the width aforesaid, the justices of all the counties aforesaid, (except Baltimore) are hereby empowered to appoint, at their next courts respectively, one supervisor for each county, to superintend, direct and contract for, the execution of the same in the most effectual, economical, and expeditious manner; and each and every of the supervisors so appointed, shall give bond with sufficient security, to be approved by the courts respectively, in a penalty of at least double the estimated amount of one year's assessment for the said road or roads, in the county in which he shall be appointed, for the faithful discharge of his trust, and such appointments or re-appointments shall be made, and bonds as aforesaid shall be annually renewed, at the courts in which the monies aforesaid are to be levied, and the supervisors for the term preceding shall respectively lay before every such court, to wit, the last court in each year, just and true accounts upon oath, of all receipts and expenditures of monies by them received and expended in virtue of their appointments, and shall pay the balances, if any, to their successors, if superseded or displaced; and the said supervisors shall respectively be allowed at the rate of five *per centum* upon the sums of money by them severally received and expended in the execution of this law.

How vacancies are to be filled, &c.

VII. **And be it enacted,** That the monies to be levied in virtue of this law in any of the aforesaid counties wherein there are two or more roads, shall, upon a due estimate thereof at the time of making the levy, be appropriated in equitable proportions by the justices of the courts respectively to the aforesaid several roads, and it shall be the duty of each and every of the supervisors aforesaid, to apply the same accordingly, and to render separate and distinct accounts upon oath, of the expences of each and every road, as vouchers to their respective accounts current with the said counties.

Monies to be levied to be equitably appropriated, &c.

VIII. **And,** whereas the straightening and widening the old and making the new roads, may cause damage to the proprietors of lands through which the same may pass, and it is reasonable and just that compensation be made to such proprietors, **Be it enacted,** That in every case where the same shall be required of the justices aforesaid in court sitting, they shall be empowered to agree with the party injured for the amount of the damages sustained, not exceeding the rate of ten pounds current

Justices to agree for damages, &c.