

By-laws and ordinances.

SEC. 25. *And be it enacted,* That the said Commissioners may pass such by-laws and ordinances as they shall deem necessary for the good government of said town and the inhabitants thereof; and also for the prevention, removal or abatement of nuisances and to prevent swine, geese, fowls and animals or stock from going at large; apprehend and fine all tramps and vagabonds; for controlling the erection and location of buildings, fences, stock enclosures; and for prohibiting and controlling the use of powder, firearms, firecrackers and other explosives; for the protection of public property, sidewalks, shade or ornamental trees from injury or obstructions; providing for the paving of sidewalks and assessing the expense thereof in whole or in part upon the respective owners of the property fronting thereon; for the license or tax on public exhibitions or amusements of all kinds, billiard, pool or bagatelle tables and ten-pin alleys, and for the collection of the same; for a tax on persons for each dog kept by them and to cause any dog to be killed; for the promotion of morality, health, convenience and safety of the inhabitants of said town; and for the opening, extending, repairing, improvement and the closing up of streets, lanes and alleys of said town, and all damages done and all benefits received by the opening, closing, extending or improving of said streets, lanes or alleys shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said town, to be appointed by said Commissioners, who shall, within a reasonable time after notification of their appointment, take an oath before a justice of the peace for Caroline County that they will faithfully, fairly and without partiality or prejudice, value and assess in money the loss and damages to be suffered and incurred as well as benefits to be received by any person or persons interested in the property over, through or which the said street, lane or alley is to be opened, closed, extended or improved; and they shall return the same in writing under their hands and seals with a certificate of their qualification before a justice of the peace, as hereinbefore provided, to the said Commissioners, which said valuation and assessment shall be ratified or rejected by the said Commissioners as in their judgment shall seem proper; and if any person shall feel aggrieved by the determination of the said Commissioners in ratifying or rejecting said award or return, or in the amount of compensation awarded, benefits assessed or in any matter relating to the same, he may appeal within sixty days of said ratification to the Circuit Court for Caroline County, and either party may be entitled to a trial by jury and the judgment of the said court shall be final among

Streets, lanes and alleys.

Right of appeal.