

respect to the public roads in Allegany County shall be co-extensive with the powers, duties and obligations heretofore resting upon the County Commissioners of Allegany County with respect to the public roads and bridges in said county, except in so far as the same may be modified or changed by the provisions of this Act. The Road Directors appointed or elected under the provisions of the preceding section shall, within ten days after receiving notice of their appointment or election, qualify by taking an oath to be administered by one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for said Allegany County that they will faithfully execute the duties of their office, and giving bond provided for in the preceding section, and shall then meet for the transaction of business at such time and place as the chairman of their board may determine.

Qualify by
oath.

213. The Road Directors shall adopt such system for the repairs and improvements of the roads in Allegany County as they may deem best, having called for and received from the Allegany County Roads Engineer and Superintendent, hereinafter mentioned, a written report stating what system he advises in each case; provided, however, that no Road Director or Engineer shall have any pecuniary interests in any contract with reference to the public roads, and shall furnish no team for work thereon, and Sections 15, 16, 17 and 18 of Article 25 of the Code of Public General Laws shall apply to said directors.

Improving
county roads.

214. Said Road Directors shall keep books showing in detail the expenditures on each road and section of road in the county, including the cost of all material and the cost of labor as separate items, which books shall be open to the inspection of the County Commissioners of Allegany County, the Allegany County Roads Engineer, and any taxpayer in said county; and before making any repairs or improvements on any road, or any bridge, and before laying out any new road, or erecting any new bridge, the cost whereof shall exceed fifty dollars, they shall ask for and receive from said engineer plans and specifications for the proposed repairs and improvements, or of the proposed new road or bridge; and before purchasing stone in quantities of more than one hundred perches they shall submit through the Road Engineer to the State Geologist specimens of the stone offered them for their use on the roads, and receive a written report from said State Geologist giving the merits of said stone, and on or before the tenth day of January of each year the said Road Directors shall submit to the County Commissioners of Allegany County a written report

Expenditures.

Stone to be
used.