

owners through or along whose property the proposed road is to pass, or be publicly posted on such property in case the owner cannot be found at least five days before the day of meeting; and in case the owner be an infant or *non compos mentis*, then a copy of said notice shall be left with a parent or guardian of said infant, or with the committee or person having charge of the person alleged to be *non compos mentis*; and at the time appointed the examiners or a majority of them shall meet on the premises and proceed to examine and determine whether the public convenience requires that the road should be open, altered or closed, as the case may be; but they shall have power to adjourn from time to time. If the application be for opening, closing or altering a road and if the said examiners shall determine that the public convenience requires that the road be opened, closed or altered, they shall proceed to locate the same in such manner as will in their judgment best promote the public convenience, and shall cause a plat of the same and also of the old road to be made out under the direction of the Alleghany County Roads Engineer, and shall return the same, together with a full report of their proceedings under their hands to the Road Directors, with the reasons on which their opinions are founded. And if said examiners shall be of opinion that the road ought not to be opened, altered or closed, they shall report their opinion to the Road Directors, under their hands, together with the reasons upon which it is founded.

To report  
to Road  
Directors.

216M. Whenever any road shall be located and surveyed as a public road, a board of examiners shall make an estimate of the cost of making said road and also the damages, if any, to be paid, and shall assess the damages and benefits caused thereby upon the persons interested in such properties as they may deem just and proper, and shall cause notice to be given to all persons assessed of their respective assessments. And to all persons to whom damages shall be awarded of their respective awards by publishing in one or more newspapers of Alleghany County once a week for two successive weeks; and that objections thereto may be filed with the said Road Directors within thirty days from the first publication of said notice, and if any person or body corporate shall feel aggrieved by the award, assessment or report of said board of examiners, he, she or it, within thirty days from the first publication of said notice, shall file his or its objection in writing with the said Road Directors; and the said Road Directors, after five days' notice to all persons interested, or as soon thereafter as practicable, shall proceed to consider the award, assessment, plat and other proceedings in said case, or may, in their discretion, send

To make an estimate of cost.

Filing objections to award