

and other public purposes; to employ all labor, and authorize the bailiff to do so, that may be necessary, and to make all contracts for public improvement, and to fix the price to be paid for same. The Commissioners shall have power to make such by-laws and pass such ordinances, not contrary to law, and in conformity with this charter, as they may deem necessary for good government of the town and the inhabitants thereof; to prevent, remove and abate all nuisances and obstructions in or upon the streets, sidewalks, highways, lanes, alleys, drains, waterways, or in or upon any lot, and to provide for imposing a fine upon any person causing or creating such nuisance or obstructions; to grant permits for all buildings, and to have power to remove, or order the removal of any building that may be a nuisance, or that may have been erected, contrary to any ordinance heretofore passed or hereafter to be passed, or that may endanger any building contiguous thereto in case of fire, and to enact ordinances and impose fines for the enforcement of these provisions; to establish grades upon the streets, alleys, gutters and sidewalks of said town and prescribe the width thereof and the material of which they shall be built; to cause the sidewalks along said public streets to be graded, paved, repaired or improved; to provide for and regulate licenses, or permits, for all exhibitions and shows within said corporation, or to prohibit and restrain them; and to regulate and provide for a tax on dogs and bitches; to provide for and prevent the running at large of all horses, cattle, hogs, geese, chickens, and other fowl, upon the streets or within the limits of said town; to provide by ordinance for condemning, laying out, opening, extending and making new streets, or alleys, and for altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving or closing up, in whole or in part any existing street or alley, and for removing trees, posts, and other obstructions, and for laying out public squares, drains, water-courses, and all benefits or damages done, suffered or incurred by the laying out, opening and making of new streets or alleys, or by altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving or closing up, in whole or in part, any existing street or alley, or laying out public squares, drains, or water-courses shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said town, appointed by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, who shall take an oath before some justice of the peace that they will fairly, without partiality or prejudice, value and assess the loss and damages to be suffered and incurred by any person interested, also to estimate the benefits that may accrue therefrom to each interested person. They shall locate boundaries and prepare an explanatory map giving description of the street or alley opened, closed, extended, widened, straightened or improved, with each separate lot or parcel of ground deemed to have sustained damages or received benefits, and they shall, within thirty days, return to the Commissioners such maps, together with the amount of damages awarded such owner or occupant, and the amount of benefits assessed to any lot or the owner thereof, together

To abate
nuisances.

Preventing
the running
at large of
stock, etc.

To locate
boundaries.