or alley, or to his, her or its agent or attorney, or left upon the premises, in case the owner is non-resident or unknown; and said sum shall be applied to the purpose of paying the costs of opening such street, avenue or alley, and in the case the benefits assessed are not paid within the time designated, the county commissioners may proceed to enforce the payment thereof by a distraint upon the property, or by a sale of the same under proceedings similar to those which are used where land is sold for non-payment of State taxes, as now allowed by law, or as may hereafter be prescribed by law, for the sale of real estate and non-payment of State taxes.

Cause to be surveyed

To be laid off in conformity

Proviso.

Advertisement

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the County Commissioners of Baltimore county may in their discretion, and in case they may deem it advisable so to do, cause to be surveyed and laid out, all that part of Baltimore county adjoining the present boundary line of Baltimore city, not exceeding the distance of two miles from said present city line, and not already surveyed and laid out; and may in their discretion cause to be laid out upon the whole ground contained within said boundaries, all such streets, avenues, squares, or alleys as they shall deem proper and convenient, and which have not already been surveyed and laid out as aforesaid; the said streets, avenues, or alleys to be laid off in conformity with the streets of Baltimore city, so far as practicable, and also in conformity with the streets, avenues, and alleys heretofore laid out within the territory above-mentioned so far as practicable and advisable; and may cause the same to be marked with such durable land marks as they shall think necessary; provided, however, that before the County Commissioners of Baltimore county shall proceed to have said work done as aforesaid, they shall advertise for at least three successive weeks in at least one newspaper published in Baltimore county, and in at least one newspaper published in Baltimore city; the advertisement in the city papers to be published at least twice a week for said three successive weeks, for proposals for the completion of the work above-mentioned; which said advertisement shall contain a clear, plain and full statement of the work which they desire to have done, in accordance with the provisions of this section, and the time within which said work shall be