

misdeemeanor and shall upon conviction thereof be fined a sum of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, and the Governor shall immediately remove him from the office of road commissioner and appoint his successor.

SEC. 5. The terms of said Board of Road Commissioners shall begin on the first day of May succeeding their appointment or election, and within ten days thereafter the members of said board shall qualify by taking an oath to be administered by the clerk of the Circuit Court for said county that they will faithfully execute the duties of their office, but before entering upon the duties of their office they shall give a bond to the State of Maryland in the sum of three thousand dollars each conditioned upon the faithful performance of their duties and the proper expenditure of all moneys coming into their hands, and all moneys recovered as a result of any suit upon said bonds shall be paid to the Board of Road Commissioners by the clerk of the Circuit Court; said bonds to be approved by the clerk of said Court and filed with him. At the first meeting they shall elect one of their members as president to serve during their pleasure. They shall thereafter meet for the transaction of business at least once a month on the second Tuesday of each month in Leonardtown and as often thereafter as may be found necessary.

The County Commissioners are hereby directed as soon as a member of said board shall qualify to assign to said board a suitable room in the courthouse of said county for the exclusive use of said board. It shall not be lawful for any road commissioner provided for by this act to use any of the powers conferred upon him by this act directly or indirectly, in the interest of any candidate or candidates in any primary or general election hereafter to be held in St. Mary's county; and it shall be the duty of the Governor upon the receipt of written charges of the violation of any of the provisions of this section against any road commissioner to provide for a hearing, and if the charges are sustained the Governor shall remove said road commissioner and appoint his successor. And any road commissioner who may violate any of the provisions of this section shall be liable to indictment in any Court of competent jurisdiction, and upon conviction shall be imprisoned for not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days.

SEC. 6. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County are authorized and directed to issue coupon bonds to the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first