

Commissioners shall require the tax collector to give a bond with two sureties, in a sum to be fixed and approved by them; and all taxes when collected shall be paid over to the treasurer of the board within one week of the date of such collection.

1900, ch. 120, sec. 19.

45. The Commissioners shall have the power to establish the limits and width of the streets of said town, and to improve the same and remove obstructions therefrom, and may open new streets, lanes and alleys; provided, however, that all streets and alleys to be hereafter laid out or opened by said Commissioners shall conform to the plan, direction, width and grade of the streets and alleys now established by the Plat No. 1 of Chesapeake Beach, on file in the office of the County Clerk for Calvert County. The Commissioners shall have the power to provide for the payment of damages and expenses of opening, widening and laying out, grading and improving and keeping in good condition the streets, lanes, alleys and sidewalks in said town, and for such purpose may levy and assess the property adjacent to such improvements; provided, that the property owners may appeal from their decision in laying and assessing such damages, in like manner as similar appeals are now provided for, to the Circuit Court of Calvert County.

1900, ch. 120, sec. 20.

46. If in opening or laying out any new street or alley the Commissioners cannot agree with the owner or owners of any land or property wanted for the purpose, for the purchase, use or occupation of the same, or if the owner is a *femme covert* under age or *non compos mentis*, or out of Calvert County, application may be made to any justice of the peace of said county, who shall thereupon issue his warrant under his hand and seal directed to the sheriff of said county, requiring him to summon a jury of twenty inhabitants of said county, of legal age, not related to the parties or in anywise interested, and from such panel of twenty jurors, each party or his agent, or if either be not present in person or by agent, the sheriff for him shall strike off four jurors, and the remaining twelve shall act as a jury of inquest of damages, to meet on the land or near the property to be valued, on a day to be named in the warrants, not less than ten nor more than twenty days after the issuing of the same; and the sheriff shall, before the jury shall proceed to act, administer an oath to each that he will justly and impartially value the damages the owner will sustain by the use or occupation of the property for the uses hereinbefore mentioned. The jury, in estimating the damages, shall take into consideration the benefits resulting to the owner from the opening and laying out of the streets and alleys, through, along or near to the property of said owner; and the jury shall reduce their inquisition to writing, and shall sign and seal the same, and it shall then be returned by the sheriff to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Calvert County, and shall be confirmed by the said court at its next session, if no sufficient cause to the con-