said damages and expenses upon the owners of the property in the town specially benefited by such improvements for the apportionment among them of the amount of said damages and expenses so determined, to be levied upon them in due proportion to the amount of benefits by them respectively received. To provide for the condemnation of all land and property so taken for public use, in opening, extending or widening any street or alley as aforesaid, for the notice to be given in relation thereto, for the payment of the damages so awarded, and for the collection and mode of payment under any action allowed by law, for the benefits so determined to be assessed; and to pass all ordinances necessary and proper to the exercise and enforcement of the powers granted in this section; provided, that no land or property shall be taken under the powers given in this section, without the payment or tender of just compensation therefor to the party entitled to such compensation, as agreed on with the owners of such property or awarded by a jury summoned for the purpose by the sheriff of Carroll County, in the mode and at the time to be prescribed by said Mayor and Council.

1894, ch. 283, sec. 54A. 1920, ch. 423, sec. 54A.

*7*8. They shall have the power to grade and make the sidewalks of the streets and alleys within the corporate limits, and to regulate the width thereof; to lay flagstones or other crossings across said streets and alleys whenever necessary; to provide of what material the said sidewalks and curbs of said streets and alleys shall be made and how the same shall be done and kept in repair and remade from time to time; they may require the owners of the lots of ground in front of which said grading and making, renewing and repairing of said sidewalks are to be done, to do the same at their own expense; and if any owner of a lot shall neglect to grade and make the sidewalks in front of his, her or its lot or premises, or repair the same when necessary, for the space of two months, after notice in writing shall have been given such owners by the Mayor or Town Clerk, requiring the same to be done, the Mayor and Council shall cause the same to be done at the expense of the owner of the said lot, which expense shall be a lien on said lot of ground until paid, and may be recovered from said owners by the Mayor and Council as other debts of like amounts are recovered in this State by law, or such lien may be enforced by sale in a manner to be prescribed by ordinance; they may also grade and make, in such manner and with such material and surfacing as they may consider best, any of the streets and thoroughfares of the town and by general ordinance require the owners of the lots of ground fronting on the street or thoroughfare so graded or made as aforesaid, to pay two-thirds (2-3) of the expense incurred in grading and making such streets or thoroughfares in proportion to the front feet of said lots of such owners respectively on said streets or thoroughfares and to be payable when such work is finished, and such proportion of such expense as should be borne by each respective owner according to his frontage as aforesaid shall be and remain a lien on the such respective lots until paid; and whenever payment thereof is re-