

1918, ch. 207, sec. 81Z.

180. The title to said electric light plant and all of the lands, estate, water courses, conduits, pipes, lines, wires, poles, machinery and other parts thereof shall, when completed and acquired, invest in the Commissioners of Ellicott City; and any persons, who shall knowingly and wilfully break or destroy any of said conduits, pipes, lines, wires, poles, lights or machinery used in connection with said electric light plant or the distribution of current therefrom, shall upon conviction of said offense be liable to a fine of not less than Ten (\$10.00) Dollars nor more than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars for each offense, to be recovered by the Commissioners of Ellicott City before a Justice of the Peace, as other fines are collected, or to imprisonment in the Howard County Jail or in the Maryland House of Correction for a term of not less than six months nor more than one year, or both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Justice of the Peace; one-half of such fine to go to the informer and the balance to the Commissioners of Ellicott City for the purposes of this Act.

WATER COMPANY.

1924, ch. 404, sec. 1.

181. The Commissioners of Ellicott City are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase from the owner or owners thereof, the water supply system of the Ellicott City Water Company, in whole or in part, and to extend, alter, maintain and operate said system for the City of Ellicott City, Howard County, Maryland, and for the purposes of this Act to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, whatever property or rights-of-way within or outside of the corporate limits of said City of Ellicott City, that the said Commissioners may deem necessary and proper, and to do whatever work, and employ whatever help, is necessary therefor; and for the purpose of raising the moneys necessary therefor, the said Commissioners of Ellicott City are hereby authorized, empowered and directed, to borrow on the faith and credit of said City, such sum or sums of money, not exceeding in the aggregate Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), as said Commissioners may deem necessary, and to issue serial coupon bonds therefor, said bonds to be issued in denominations of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or any multiple thereof, to bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of January, and the first day of July in each year during which said bonds shall be outstanding and remain unpaid, to be signed by the President of the Commissioners of Ellicott City, and by the Registrar of said City (provided that the coupons for the interest thereon may be authenticated by the engraved, lithographed or printed signature of the President of the Commissioners of Ellicott City), to have the corporate seal of the Commissioners of Ellicott City affixed thereto, and to be exempt from all State, County and Municipal taxes. The said bonds shall have