

1916, ch. 172, sec. 4.

103. Said Chevy Chase Citizens' Committee of said Section 3, is empowered to grade, pave, macadamize, or otherwise improve any existing dedicated street, road or lane, or any county road, street or lane, which has been, or which may be acquired and opened for public use, but which is ungraded, unpaved, or unimproved, and to lay sidewalks and curbs thereon; provided, that said Citizens' Committee subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners and after due publication thereof, shall have power to assess the cost of said grading, paving, macadamizing, or improving against the property abutting on said street, road, lane or sidewalk, in proportion to the frontage of said abutting property on the same. Said Citizens' Committee subject to the approval of said Board of County Commissioners is also further empowered, and after due public notice thereof, to acquire by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, according to law, property for sewerage disposal purposes of said Section 3 of said village and to assess the cost of such property as it may so acquire for sewerage disposal purposes, and the cost of the construction of sewers and sewerage system but not the maintenance thereof, against the real estate using the same, or benefiting thereby, in proportion to the frontage of said real estate abutting on a street or streets, road or roads, lane or lanes, containing the said sewerage system or any part thereof. All property acquired by said Citizens' Committee under this section shall be held for the benefit of the citizens of said Section 3 of said village of Chevy Chase.

Any tax so assessed as above provided in this section shall be payable to the County Treasurer in not more than six annual instalments, as nearly equal as may be, the first instalment thereof to become due and payable the first day of July next succeeding the making of such special assessment as herein elsewhere provided and to be collected as County taxes in said County are collected and shall be subject to interest from said first of July until paid at the rate of six per cent. per annum. Each annual instalment shall become a lien against said abutting property and any such instalment not paid by the first day of January following its becoming due shall be subject to the same penalties and shall be collected in the same manner as provided for the collection of unpaid county taxes in said county. All taxes assessed as provided in this section shall be paid over by the Treasurer of said County to the Treasurer of said Section 3, Chevy Chase, Maryland, who shall devote such funds to the exclusive purpose of paying for the special improvements herein provided for or any indebtedness which may be incurred therefor.

Said Chevy Chase Citizens' Committee of said Section 3 shall have the power to pave, grade, macadamize, or otherwise improve said streets, roads, or lanes or sidewalks within said village, or have such sewerage constructed as the case may be; provided, that before any contract for work shall be entered into, or any obligation with respect thereto incurred, notice shall be given to the owners and others of record interested in said abutting property and an opportunity to be heard, such hearing to be had before said Chevy Chase Citizens' Committee of said Section 3, who shall decide