

records, funds and property under their control shall be turned over to their successors.

1912, ch. 209, sec. 4.

190. The Board of Road Commissioners shall have supervision over all public highways and bridges except State roads and State-aid roads, shall open and construct new roads and bridges and close old ones where deemed advisable, following the provisions of the Code of Public General Laws relating to the opening and closing of public roads, and shall work the roads from the first day of March to the first day of November, and shall haul gravel and do any other work for the improvement of the roads, except grading, that they may deem practicable from the first day of November until the first day of March. They shall regulate the hours of labor and the wages of labor providing that the hours of labor and the wages of all employees shall be uniform in each road commissioner district and shall not exceed the usual wages paid to laborers for such work; nor shall any road commissioner delegate any part of his authority nor employ any person to supervise or oversee the work on his road except in case of unavoidable absence or sickness; provided, however, that nothing in this act shall prevent the road commissioners of the respective road commissioner districts to designate road bosses to do repair work in their respective road commissioner district out of the levy provided for road repairs in Saint Mary's county.

The road commissioners shall purchase all road machinery, rollers, carts, wagons, mules, feed "splitlog drags" and other implements and things necessary to properly work the roads and build bridges and culverts and shall have power to sell all worn-out or useless equipment at public sale for cash upon ten days' notice by advertisement in a county newspaper. They shall have the right to purchase or lease gravel banks or otherwise acquire desirable material for road construction and repair and shall have the right to condemn land for such purpose or for the purpose of widening or straightening roads as land is now condemned by the county commissioners under the provisions of Section 145 of Article 25 of the Code of Public General Laws of 1924. They may employ clerical help and an attorney at not exceeding three hundred dollars per annum.

Each road commissioner shall have sole power and authority over the actual working of the road and building and repair of bridges in his road commissioner district, and shall employ and discharge all labor and shall be responsible for all machinery and equipment in his road commissioner district.

It shall be the duty of the road commissioner of each road commissioner district to keep in a book to be provided for that purpose by the Board of Road Commissioners, a full, complete, accurate and easily understood account of all money expended by him in each of the several election districts of his road commissioner district, which account must specify the name of the person to whom the money was paid, the date and the purpose for which it was paid and the amount thereof, and this book shall