

located in the rear of Centre Street between Loo and Oak Streets in said town, said alley being on the easterly side of said school property, and also all that other alley lying between the property of Annie K. Myers and Hugh Spier, fronting on Water Street in said town, and commonly known as "Old Ormand Street Alley." And the Mayor and Councilmen of Frostburg may provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount in value of damages will be caused thereby to the owner or possessor of any property lying on or through which said alleys may pass, which ought to be compensated by the appointment of Commissioners to assess the same and for assessing and levying, either generally on the whole assessable property within the town, or specially on the property benefited, the whole or any part of the damages and expense which will be incurred in closing said alleys, or any of them. The Mayor and Councilmen shall have power to grant appeals to the Circuit Court for Allegany County from the decision of any Commissioners or other persons appointed in virtue of any ordinance to ascertain the damage occasioned by the closing of such alleys, or any of them, and for securing to the person injured the right on application within thirty days from the return of the report of the Commissioners, to have decided by a jury trial whether any and what damage he has sustained; to provide for collecting and paying the compensation awarded to any person before said alleys, or any of them, shall be so closed, and to enact all ordinances from time to time necessary and proper to the exercise of the powers granted in this Act; provided, that before the Mayor and Councilmen proceed to execute any of the powers vested in them by this Act at least thirty days' notice shall be given of any application which may be made to them for the passage of any such ordinance by such advertisement as they shall prescribe and by personal notice in writing served twenty days before upon each property holder to be affected by the passage of the proposed ordinance, giving notice of the time and place named for the passage of said ordinance, provided that said parties are residents of Maryland.

The powers herein conferred as to the two alleys first mentioned in this Act shall be exercised only in the event that the State Board of Education shall secure additional land on the east or west side, as the case may be, of the present site of the said school. If all the land between Loo and Oak Streets on both sides is secured, then both alleys are to be closed in accordance with the provisions of this Act, but if all the land between Loo and Oak Streets on one side only is secured, then the alley on that side only shall be closed.

#### PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

1927, ch. 211.

**250.** The Mayor and Councilmen of Frostburg are hereby authorized and empowered to receive, have, hold, use, and enjoy by way of purchase, gift, or otherwise, any real estate or any leasehold interest therein within or without the corporate limits of said City for park or playground pur-