

swine and geese from going at large, and for the opening, extension, repairing, improvement and closing up of streets, lanes and alleys of said village, and all damages done, suffered or incurred by the opening, closing, extension or improving said streets, lanes or alleys, shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said village, to be appointed by said commissioners, who shall, within twenty days after notification of their appointment, take an oath before a justice of the peace for Caroline county, that they will faithfully, fairly, and without partiality or prejudice, value and assess the loss and damages to be suffered and incurred by any person or persons interested in the property over and through which the said street, lane or alley is to be opened, closed, extended, widened or improved; and they shall, within ten days after such valuation or assessment, return the same in writing, under their hands and seals, with a certificate of their qualification before a justice of the peace, as hereinbefore provided, to the commissioners of said village, which said valuation and assessment shall be ratified or rejected by the said commissioners as, in their judgment, may seem proper, and if any person shall feel aggrieved by the determination of the said commissioners in ratifying or rejecting said award or return, or in the amount of compensation awarded, or in any matter relating to the same, may appeal within sixty days of said ratification or rejection to the circuit court for Caroline county, and either party may be entitled to trial by jury, and the judgment of said court shall be final among the parties; *provided*, that the person taking such appeal shall, within twenty days thereof, cause to be delivered to the clerk of the said circuit court the award filed with said commissioners, together with a copy of the order of said commissioners ratifying or rejecting the same, and all other papers relating thereto.

Opening of new streets.

Appeal to circuit court.

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72. The said commissioners may allow their clerk, treasurer, assessor and bailiff, and other employees, such reasonable compensation as they may deem proper, and

Ibid, s. 24.  
Pay of officers,  
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