

finally order the opening, widening, extending, straightening or closing up of any street, highway, lane, alley, square, drain or water-course, as the case may be; and it shall be the duty of the clerk of the mayor and council, immediately upon the passage of such order by the mayor and council, to certify, under his hand and the seal of the corporation, to the tax collector, the amount of benefits so assessed against any lot or parcel of ground, who shall forthwith enter the same on his books against the property so assessed; the tax collector shall collect such benefits as other taxes are collected; provided, that no property be sold for the payment of benefits until after the expiration of six months from the date of the passage of the order of the mayor and council in the premises.

1884, ch. 58.

189. The notices herein provided to be given by the board of street commissioners shall apply in all cases, whether the owners of property to be affected by their proceeding be residents or non-residents, infants, *non compotes mentis*, or laboring under any other legal disability.

1886, ch 409.

190. The board of street commissioners shall have charge of all repairs and improvements of the streets, alleys, highways, lanes, squares, drains and water-courses of the town; they shall have control of the expenditure of all money appropriated by the mayor and council, together with the special improvement fund provided in sections 196 and 197, and of the drainage fund provided in sections 201 and 202 of this sub-title of this article, and of all the money credited to street repairs and improvements derived from fines and licenses under section 171 and the levy of ten cents as provided in section 195, shall have power to expend said money whenever, in their judgment, the same may be needed, with full power to make contracts and employ labor at such compensation as they shall determine; and in no case shall the board of street commissioners expend in any one year a larger sum in repairs and improvements than the amount appropriated therefor.

1884, ch. 58. 1888, ch. 45.

191. The said board of street commissioners shall have control of the lighting of the town, with power to provide the material,