

be the duty of the said commissioners to cause the papers connected therewith to be delivered to the clerk of said county on petition, in writing, of any party feeling aggrieved; and the persons appointed to assess the damages as aforesaid shall receive such compensation as the commissioners shall determine.

1888, ch. 210.

**175.** The said commissioners have power to pass all laws and ordinances necessary for grading, regulating, paving and repaving the footways and sidewalks of the streets, lanes and alleys thereof in said town, and may impose a tax on any lot abutting on any street, lane or alley, for the purpose of grading, regulating, paving and repaving the footways or sidewalks in front thereof, or causing the same to be improved, graded, paved or repaved, and such tax shall be a lien on the abutting property, and shall be collected by suit and execution, as debts are now collected by law, agreeably to the ordinance to be passed by them.

Ibid.

**176.** The commissioners may pass ordinances for the regulation and prevention of the running at large of horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, chickens, ducks and geese, on the streets or public places in said town, and may provide by ordinance for a tax on dogs.

Ibid.

**177.** The commissioners elected under the provisions of this charter shall remain in office until the election and qualification of their successors.

#### **SHEEP.**

1876, ch. 315.

**178.** Wicomico, Howard, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester and Worcester counties are exempted from the provisions of sections 1 and 2, of article 86 of the code of public general laws, title "Sheep."

1880, ch. 463.

**179.** It shall be unlawful for any dog to kill or wound any sheep in Wicomico county; and if any owner of any sheep, his tenant or agent, in said county, shall at any time obtain any reliable information of any dog having killed or wounded any sheep belonging to said owner, or left in the care of said tenant