

and when collected, to be used by the county commissioners exclusively for the purchase of stone or other suitable hard material for the purpose of macadamizing the county roads of said districts; provided, that this section shall only be applicable to such of said districts from which fifty or more taxable residents of such districts representing at least one-sixth of the taxable basis of such district shall, forty days prior to an annual levy, petition the said county commissioners, asking such special levy to be made; and provided, further, that the material so purchased shall be used solely in the district from which the taxes to purchase the same are collected; whenever such petition is filed the county commissioners shall give notice of the filing thereof by publication in two newspapers published in Baltimore county for two successive weeks, immediately following the filing of such petition, and if a petition signed by an equal or larger number of tax-payers, residents of such districts representing a larger amount of taxable property, be filed prior to such levy, objecting thereto, then the commissioners shall refuse to make such additional levy; and provided, further, that every tax-payer of said district in which said special levy is made, shall have the privilege of working out this special tax by hauling stones or other suitable hard materials upon the county roads nearest their farms or residences, at such price per perch for the same as may be fixed by the road commissioners for said district, subject to the approval of the county commissioners; and said road commissioners immediately after the levy in each year shall, subject to the approval of the said county commissioners, fix a uniform price for said materials, as far as practicable, and whenever they are satisfied that any tax-payer has fully worked out his special road tax, they shall cause the chairman of the road commissioners for said district to give such tax-payer a certificate to that effect, which shall be received by the treasurer and collector of taxes for Baltimore county as so much money on account of said tax.

Macadamize.

May pay in work.

Petition.

SEC. 199. That whenever twenty or more taxable inhabitants of Baltimore county shall desire the opening of any new road, or the alteration or closing of any old road or part of any old road, they may make application in writing to the county commissioners setting forth as near as may be the length and location of the road so petitioned for, and the county commissioners shall give notice in one or more newspapers published in Baltimore county for two successive weeks, that application has been made, and examination granted to take place on the premises at a stated time not less than ten days from the date of the last publication of said notice, and a copy of such notice shall be left with each person through or along whose property the road petitioned for will pass, or be publicly posted on said property at least ten days before the examination takes place; upon such application being made the county commissioners shall issue an order to three dis-