

days from the ratification of said award and report; and the award, if for benefits, shall be considered a tax and lien upon the property assessed, and shall be paid to the County Commissioners, or to the treasurer of said county, upon the order of said commissioners, within sixty days from the time the award and report are finally ratified and confirmed as aforesaid; if not then paid, shall be collected as other taxes are collected; provided thirty days' notice is given to the owner or owners of the property taken for such road, or to him, her or its agent or attorney, or left upon the premises in case the owner is unknown; and said sum shall be applied for the purpose of paying damages and for the construction of said road; provided that no work shall be done on any road so ratified and confirmed until all the assessments for the construction of said road shall have been paid. It shall be the duty of the County Commissioners to notify the Road Commissioners of the district or districts in which said road is located, that all of the aforesaid assessments have been paid; the commissioners of said district or districts shall then advertise for sealed proposals for the construction of said road, according to specifications furnished by the Road Commissioners, and the contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, who shall give bond to the County Commissioners in double the amount of the contract price for the faithful performance of the contract; and the County Commissioners shall not pay in full for making such road until the Road Commissioners of the district or districts where located shall have approved the work done and reported such approval in writing to the County Commissioners.

Must give notice.

How applied.

Advertise for proposals.

SEC. 18. *And be it enacted*, Whenever any person or persons shall desire to improve any road to an extent beyond that contemplated by the board of Road Commissioners of the district where located, they may make application to the County Commissioners by petition, setting forth the location of the road to be improved, the extent and character of improvement, and probable cost thereof, and the said commissioners shall thereupon order the Road Commissioners of the district or districts to meet upon the premises and examine the location and purposes set

Manner of improving.