

for by the County Commissioners of either county, the said advertisements for proposals shall be made by application for at least once a week for four successive weeks in some newspaper published in Baltimore city, and in such other newspapers as the said County Commissioners shall jointly determine; on the Tuesday next after the expiration of said notice, the County Commissioners of Baltimore county shall meet with the the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county, in the city of Annapolis, and at the hour of eleven o'clock, a. m., and in the presence of the two boards, all the proposals for building said bridge shall be publically opened by them and they shall publicly announce each bid and the lowest bidder shall, by the said County Commissioners of the two counties, be awarded the contract for constructing and building said bridge upon complying with the provisions of the following sections; provided, however, that the said County Commissioners jointly shall have power to reject all of said bids and re-advertise for the same as above provided.

“Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the person or persons or corporation to whom the aforesaid contract shall have been awarded shall enter into a contract in writing with said County Commissioners of the said counties jointly such as shall be prepared by said County Commissioners for the building of said bridge, and shall enter into bond to said County Commissioners of Baltimore county and said County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county jointly in such penalty and with surety to be approved by them conditioned for the faithful execution of said contract; that said contract and said bond shall be executed in duplicate; one of said duplicate contracts and bonds to be filed with and approved by the County Commissioners of Baltimore county and the other duplicates to be filed with and approved by the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county. And upon failure of said contractor to execute said contract and file his, their or its bond as herein provided within ten days from the day said award was made, the said Commissioners may proceed as hereinbefore as if said award had not been