

by law, the sum of twelve hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly, as compensation for the discharge of the duties imposed upon them under this Act.

The Commissioners shall appoint and fix the compensation of a chief sanitary engineer, and shall appoint or authorize the appointment of such engineering, clerical and other force and help as in their judgment are necessary for carrying out the provisions of this Act, may discharge such appointees at pleasure, and may exact from them such indemnity bonds as they may deem proper. The Commissioners shall publish annually in two newspapers of general circulation published in Baltimore County a full and true account of their receipts, expenses and expenditures under this Act, showing in full the financial condition of all accounts and funds of the Metropolitan District. Prior to such publication, their accounts shall be audited by a certified public accountant to be employed and paid by the Commissioners out of such Metropolitan District Funds as may at the time be available. The Chief Sanitary Engineer of the Metropolitan District shall annually, on or before the first day of March in each and every year, prepare and file in the office of the Commissioners a report on the physical plant and equipment of the District, showing the work of his Department during the preceding year, what is proposed to be done in the District during the current year and, in general, such statistical and financial matters in connection with the District as may be of interest to the Commissioners and to the taxpayers.

Section 330. As soon after organization as possible, and from time to time thereafter, the Commissioners shall cause surveys, studies, plans, specifications and estimates to be made for water supply, sewerage and storm-water drainage systems in all those parts of the Baltimore County Metropolitan District in which there is, in their judgment, a need for water supply, sewerage or drainage. Whenever plans shall have been completed for a water supply, sewerage or storm-water drainage system, or any part thereof, in any part of the District the Commissioners shall proceed to construct or cause to be constructed such systems, or parts thereof, by contract, after public advertisement, or by day labor, if no satisfactory contract can be made after public advertisement, as they may deem advisable, so that said system or systems may be constructed at a minimum cost, provided, however, that the cost of such work carried out by day labor shall not exceed, at any time, twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). Construction and/or extension of water and/or sewer lines or systems in the District shall not be made, however, except upon the written recommendation of the Chief Sanitary Engineer. Be-