

CHAP. 458

Special tax
levied.

bonds issued under the powers herein conferred the Mayor and Council shall annually levy a tax exclusive of the tax of fifty cents on the property of the town elsewhere provided for, upon the assessable property of the town sufficient to pay the bond or bonds maturing in each year that may be issued under this Act and the interest thereon and the interest on all bonds outstanding and unpaid; and the amount of said tax shall be kept separately by the said Mayor and Council and not used for any other purpose than as herein specified.

Commission
appointed.

97 k. Whenever the Mayor and Council shall by ordinance order the opening of a new street or alley or the widening, straightening or improvement of a street or alley, or the construction of any park, public square, sewer or system of sewers, water works, gas works, bridge or other public improvements, the Mayor shall, by and with the consent of the Council, appoint three of the legal voters and free holders of the town not office holders, who, together with the Mayor and town attorney, shall constitute a commission to examine and report on the proposed improvements; and if the said commission, or a majority of them, shall certify to the Mayor and Council that any land, building, stone, material or other property belonging to any person or corporation, or the removal thereof, shall be necessary or convenient for the construction of the proposed improvement, the Mayor and Council may acquire such property, or may agree with the owner or owners thereof for the purchase, use, occupation or removal of the same, and if they cannot agree, and if the owner or owners or any of them be an infant *feme covert*, who is not possessed of the property to her sole and separate use, or authorized to contract with reference to the same, *non compos mentis*, or out of the town when such property may be wanted, or for any cause be legally incapable of contracting, application may be made by the Mayor to any justice of the peace of Talbot county, who shall thereupon issue his warrant under his hand and seal to the sheriff of the county, requiring him to summon a jury of twenty qualified voters of said town above the age of twenty-one years, and qualified to act as jurors under the laws of this State, not related to the parties nor in any wise interested, to meet on the lands or near the material or property wanted for the proposed improvement, on a day named in said warrants, not less than ten nor more than twenty days