

any other brute, beast or fowl; to regulate or prevent the going at large, within the corporate limits, of dogs, and to provide for the killing of worthless, dangerous or annoying dogs; to levy a tax on dogs, male or female, kept within the corporate limits, to fix the rates of said tax, and to collect the same from the owners in the same manner as other town taxes are in this sub-title of this article authorized to be collected, and may, in default of payment of said tax, provide for the killing of dogs whose owners make such default.

Laying out
streets, etc.

SEC. 54. They shall have power to provide for laying out, opening and extending or widening any street or alley in the town, and may fix the dimensions thereof, which in their judgment, the public welfare or convenience may require; to provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount in value of damages will be caused thereby, for which the owner or possessor of any property through or over which such street or alley may pass, ought to be compensated and paid, and for assessing or laying, either generally on the whole assessable property within the town, or specially on the property of persons benefited by such improvement, the whole or any part of the damages and expenses which may be incurred in laying out, opening, extending or widening such street or alley; to provide, in case they shall determine to levy and assess the whole or any part of said damages and expenses upon the owners of the property in the town specially benefited by such improvements, for the apportionment among them of the amount of such damages and expenses so determined, to be levied upon them in due proportion to the amount of benefits by them respectively received; to provide for the condemnation of all land and property so taken for public use, in opening, extending or widening any street or alley as aforesaid, for the notice to be given in relation thereto, for the payment of the damages so awarded, and for the collection and mode of payment under any action allowed by law, for the benefits so determined to be assessed; and to pass all ordinances necessary and proper to the exercise and enforcement of the powers granted in this section; provided, that no land or property shall be taken under the powers given in this section, without the payment or tender of just compensation therefor to the party entitled to such compensation, as agreed on with the owners of such property or awarded by a jury summoned for the purpose by the sheriff of Carroll county, in the mode and at the time to be prescribed by said Mayor and Council.