

**Purchase of stone.** stone, or other hard material, to be used on roads in such manner as the commissioners, with the assistance of the supervisor, may determine, unless on application of taxpayers, resident in the neighborhood, the commissioners may determine upon any section of road to devote a larger proportion than one-fourth of said fund to grading or other pressing need; and the County Commissioners may, if it shall appear to be in the interest of economy, purchase one or more stone crushers out of the fund set apart as the general road and bridge fund, for the purpose of supplying stone for the use on the roads, to be operated in such manner as they shall determine.

**Application for improvement of road.** SEC. 196. *And be it enacted,* Whenever any person or persons shall desire to improve any road, to an extent beyond that contemplated by the County Commissioners and the supervisor of the district where it is located, they may make application to the commissioners by petition by setting forth the location of the road to be improved, the extent and character of the improvement, and probable cost thereof; and if the County Commissioners, after considering the same and probable cost thereof, shall be satisfied that the public interest will be promoted thereby, they may direct the expenditure of an amount not exceeding three hundred dollars per mile; provided, the petitioners for such improvement shall first pay into the treasury of the county an amount not less than double that appropriated by the County Commissioners; and all such money shall be expended under the direction of the supervisor of the district where the improvements are to be made.

**Deed of road by owner.** SEC. 197. *And be it enacted,* Whenever any owner of property in Baltimore county shall have opened, laid out or graded any avenue or road for the public convenience and is willing to dedicate the same to public uses, and good and sufficient deed duly recorded, the County Commissioners are authorized to accept the same, if in their opinion the same be necessary and convenient for public use; and upon such acceptance the said avenue or road so dedicated shall be kept in good order and repair by the road supervisor of the district in which it may be situated; provided, however, that previous to such acceptance said road shall not be less than thirty feet in width and duly and properly graded, in the judgment of the County Commissioners.

SEC. 198. *And be it enacted,* Whenever any road shall have been in use for twenty years, though the same may not have