at the end of the first and second years. The said Commissioners shall receive a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars each per annum, payable monthly. The said Commissioners shall be charged with the duty of opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing any street, lane, alley or part thereof situated in Baltimore City whenever the same shall have been directed by ordinance to be done, and shall perform such other duties as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may by ordinance prescribe. The said Commissioners shall appoint a Clerk, who shall be paid a salary of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly, and shall perform such duties as the Commissioners may prescribe. The said Commissioners may also appoint such other employees as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by ordinance may direct, and fix their compensation, not to exceed in the aggregate the amount appropriated by ordinance.

- 173. The Clerk of said Commissioners shall keep a record of their proceedings in a book provided for the purpose, and in such form as the City Solicitor may prescribe; and the said Clerk shall record in said book all orders made by the Commissioners in regard to the performance of their duties, and make true copies of all notices by them directed to be published, and of the certificate of the publication thereof, and shall perform such other clerical duties as the said Commissioners shall require.
- 174. When the said Commissioners shall assess a sum of money to be paid by any person or persons, for benefits derived by such person or persons from opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing any street, lane or alley, or part thereof, and shall assess a sum of money to be paid to the same person or persons for damages sustained by said opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing, it shall and may be lawful, upon a certificate of title from the City Solicitor, for the City Register or City Collector to receive from such person or persons an assignment for the sum or sums so assessed as damages aforesaid.
- 175. Whenever the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall hereafter by ordinance direct the Commissioners for