

Appeal.

notice, at least, in writing, to each property owner so interested, of the time set for final action on the return of said examiners, and said County Commissioners shall act on said return within twenty days after the expiration of said notice, and may issue a new commission, as in their judgment may seem proper; and before proceeding to actually open, widen, extend, straighten or close any such road, drain, water course or landing, the County Commissioners shall pay or tender to the person, his agent, guardian or representative, the amount of damages so awarded; and if anyone shall feel aggrieved by the decision of the County Commissioners, in any matter affected by their decision, he may appeal to the Circuit Court for Wicomico County, by giving written notice within twenty days from said decision, filed with the clerk of the County Commissioners, of his desire to appeal; and on the filing of the said notice, it shall be the duty of the said clerk to deliver the papers connected therewith to the clerk of the said court; and the same proceedings shall be had on the appeal as in cases of appeal from judgment of justices of the peace; provided, nevertheless, that the County Commissioners may decline to open, lay out, extend, widen, grade or straighten any road, drain, waterway or landing, notwithstanding the decision of the said court; but in case of refusal to do so, they shall be liable for all costs incurred and shall pay the same. All benefits assessed by virtue of the above provisions shall be prior liens on the respective lots or parcels of ground on which they are assessed from the time of the final ratification of the aforesaid returns, and shall be collected as taxes are now collected, or may be collected by action at law. On appeal the court or jury may alter the award so returned, whether of damages or benefits, and costs be awarded in the discretion of the court. After final notification the plat shall be filed and recorded in the clerk's office of Wicomico county at the expense of the County Commissioners.

Repeal

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Effectively

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 2, 1898.

CHAPTER 182.

AN ACT to repeal Sections 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 118 and 119 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Calvert