

the said bonds shall be redeemable at the pleasure of the Mayor and Town Council of Oakland, at or before their maturity, and said bonds shall be issued so that none of them will mature before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

Mayor and town council constitute the water board.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor and Town Council of Oakland be and they are hereby constituted the water board for Oakland, and as such water board they are authorized and empowered to construct and erect water works for the said town, and to contract for, purchase in fee simple or lease for a term of years, removable at their pleasure, any land, real estate, spring, brook and water course, which they may deem expedient and necessary for the purpose of furnishing said town with water; and they are hereby vested with all rights and powers necessary for the introduction of water into said town. If from any cause the said Water Board of Oakland shall be unable to agree with any owner of real or leasehold estate, spring, brook, water or water course or any other material which partakes of or is part of realty or for any right of way they find necessary for the conduits of said water in its entry into the said town, or if such owner is under any disability or incapacity to contract, or absent, or unknown, the said Water Board of Oakland is hereby clothed with the power of condemnation under the right of eminent domain, as provided in section 167 of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, as fully as if said section had been herein incorporated; and their manner and procedure in condemnation for the purposes of this Act shall in all particulars be the same as is provided by said section 167 of said Article 23.

Authorized and empowered to act.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That said water board is hereby authorized and empowered to do all acts necessary and proper to the carrying out the provisions of this Act; and said board shall have full control over the said water works, with the authority to employ such superintendents, workmen or other employes as may be necessary or proper to carry on the same, and to purchase all supplies and materials needed in constructing or conducting the same, and also to provide rules and regulations for supplying the said town with water, and to fix and establish from time to time a schedule of rates and charges to be made and collected for the use of water by private consumers; and the bailiff or tax collector shall, as in case of other taxes, collect said charges, which are hereby made a lien on the real estate upon which said water is furnished, and pay over the same to the treasurer, and the Mayor and Town Coun-