

newspaper or newspapers published in Baltimore county, and by causing a copy of the same to be delivered to every owner through or along whose property the proposed road passes when the petition involves the closing of a road, or through or along whose property the proposed road will pass when the petition involves the opening or change of a road, or be publicly posted on said property in case the owner cannot be found at least five days before the day of meeting, and in case the owner be an infant or non compos mentis, then a copy of said notice shall be left with the parent or guardian of said infant or with the committee or person having charge of the person alleged to be non compos mentis. At the time appointed the examiners or a majority of them shall meet on the premises and proceed to examine and determine whether the public convenience requires that the road should be opened, altered, relocated or closed, as the case may be; and said examiners shall have power to adjourn and meet again from time to time as their duties in the premises may require. If the application be for opening, altering or relocating a road, and if the said examiners shall determine that the public convenience requires that such road should be opened, altered or relocated, they shall proceed to locate the same in such manner as will, in their judgment, best promote the public convenience, and shall cause a plat of the same as so located and of the location of the old road when the application is to alter or relocate a road, to be made out by the County Surveyor under the direction of the Roads Engineer, and shall return the same, together with a full report of their proceedings under their hands, to the Highways Commission, with the reasons on which their opinions are founded; said examiners shall have power to change the location of any road petitioned for, and to change either of the termini thereof as advertised, if they consider that the public convenience would be best promoted by the making of such changes, but shall not make any such change which requires said road to pass through or along the property of any person not originally notified or whose name did not appear in the original advertisement of the notice of intention to file a petition as aforesaid, without giving such person at least five days' notice of such intended change and an opportunity to be heard, or unless such person waives such notice. If the application be for the closing of a road or portion of a road, and the examiners shall determine that it is expedient that such road be closed, they shall return with their report a description and plat of the road or portion of the road so recommended to be closed. If said examiners decide that it is expedient that such road shall be opened, altered or relocated as aforesaid, they shall make an estimate of the cost of making such road or alteration, includ-