

tract within which the road lies; one duplicate of said agreement shall be delivered to the supervisor or contractor and the other shall be filed immediately with the treasurer of the county.

177d. The County Commissioners are authorized and empowered to levy and cause to be collected from the property owners of any election district listed as provided in section 177B of this article, a special tax for securing by condemnation or otherwise and permanently improving, draining, grading, resurfacing or macadamizing any road or roads or toll pike or toll pikes within such election district; provided, that no such special levy shall be made on the property of such election district unless said County Commissioners are petitioned in writing, not later than April 15 preceding the annual levy, for such procuring and improvement of a road or roads, or toll pike or toll pikes therein named, and indicating the desire for a special tax upon the property of such election district for such purpose or purposes, and signed by such number of citizens and taxpayers of said election district as may satisfy said County Commissioners of the fact that there is a general public demand on the part of the citizens and taxpayers of said election district for such road procurement and special improvement and for such special levy, and where said County Commissioners are so petitioned to so secure and permanently improve a road or toll pike lying partly in two or more election districts by citizens and taxpayers of each of said districts in which said road or toll pike may lie, said County Commissioners may levy and cause to be collected from the property owners of each of such election districts a special tax for such purposes which shall be apportioned as nearly as may be according to the respective interests of such election district in said road or toll pike, but no such levy for such special road procurement or improvement shall be made on the property of any district or districts unless notice of the intention of said County Commissioners to make such special levy, the purpose or purposes therefor, the amount thereof and the approximate effect of such levy on the tax rate of such district or districts, shall be published in one or more newspapers of said county for two successive weeks designating the date upon which the said County Commissioners shall meet for the purpose of hearing objections to such special levy; whenever it shall appear to said County Commissioners from such petition or petitions of the citizens and taxpayers of one or more election districts that there is a general public demand for so securing and permanently improving a road or roads, or toll pike or toll pikes lying in any election district or lying partly in two or more