

treasurer upon proof that no such meeting has been called by the managers for the time being.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted,* That the Board of managers shall annually, if necessary, and at least, once every two years, cut, clean out and repair such tax ditch or drain established as aforesaid, for its full length from mouth to source and make a levy upon the said taxables to pay their pro rata shares of the cost thereof in manner and form as herein provided.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted,* That the said commissioners shall deliver to the treasurer a statement of the taxes levied for the making of said ditches with the sums which each person is bound to pay; and such tax or assessment made and returned to and confirmed by the county commissioners shall remain in full force for a term of twenty years from such confirmation and shall be the proportion or basis upon which other and further taxes may be levied by the managers for all necessary purposes for cutting and making or for cleansing and repairing such ditches.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted,* That after a lapse of twenty years a new assessment may be had by application of three or more of said taxables to the county commissioners, in which case the county commissioners shall have jurisdiction for the purpose of enlargement, straightening, cleansing out, repairing or extending such ditch or ditches, and shall thereupon proceed to appoint a commission of judicious freeholders as hereinbefore provided, for the locating and opening of a ditch or ditches, who shall make an assessment and return of their proceedings, in the manner hereinbefore provided, which shall be subject to an order of review as aforesaid.

SEC. 20. *And be it further enacted,* That the managers selected and chosen as aforesaid shall proceed to cut, make, open, straighten, enlarge, clean out, and repair and extend, as the case may be, said ditch or ditches located and laid out, or to be located, laid out or extended as aforesaid and may employ such ditchers or laborers, and do such other acts as may be necessary for the purpose.

SEC. 21. *And be it further enacted,* That they shall keep a regular account of their expenditures and report the same to the yearly meeting of the taxables.