

any sum of money contracted by it to be paid for such motor fire truck, fire engine or fire equipment for such period of time as may be necessary; after the payments for said motor fire truck, fire engine or fire equipment hereby authorized to be purchased shall be completed, the said Mayor and Common Council shall annually levy the whole or any part of said special tax of five cents on the one hundred dollars, as it may deem advisable or necessary, to properly maintain and equip the Volunteer Fire Company of Westminster, or to aid and assist in maintaining it.

*Condemnation.*

Section 223-B. The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster, in addition to the powers already possessed by it, shall have the right and power to acquire by condemnation any land, improvements, rights of way, waters, water courses or other property of any kind whatsoever, whether used for private purposes or already devoted to a public use, or any interest therein, which it may require for an engine house or house, or other fire purposes, sewers, culverts, drains, markets, parks, squares and other public places; or which it may require for streets, roads, footways, lanes, alleys, highways or bridges, including the laying out, opening, extending, widening, straightening and closing up of the same in whole or in part; or which it may require for any other public or municipal purpose. In all condemnation cases instituted by it for any purpose, the procedure followed shall be the method provided and prescribed by Article XXXIII-A of the Code of Public General Laws of this State.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That securing additional fire equipment in Westminster promptly is necessary for the public health and safety, and this Act shall be deemed an emergency measure, and take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10th, 1918.

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CHAPTER 484.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 502 of Article 3 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Roads and Streets," known as Offutt's Code of Public Local Laws of Baltimore County, so as to fix the maximum levy for roads in Baltimore County at forty cents, and to leave the minimum in the discretion of the County Commissioners of Baltimore County.