

it shall be the duty of said County Commissioners to keep the same in proper condition of repair and reasonably safe for public travel, and to that end to exercise a general supervision over the same throughout the County and direct repairs and improvements thereto whenever they shall deem the same necessary or advisable for the public convenience or safety. Said County Commissioners shall have all the powers with respect to the public highways of the County heretofore vested in them as the Highways Commission of Baltimore County or in other officers charged with the proper maintenance of said highways and in addition thereto shall have all the powers hereinafter enumerated and all such other and further powers as may be reasonably implied from the nature of the duties imposed upon them by this Act, to the end that said County Commissioners may properly and efficiently discharge said duties.

338. For any negligence or breach of the duties imposed by this Act, said Commissioners shall be liable in damages at the suit of the person or persons injured thereby, but they shall be subject to no other or greater liability in the premises than was the Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County in matters relating to the roads and bridges of the County before the passage of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland known as Chapter 685 of the Acts passed at the January Session, 1900; and any final decree or judgment obtained against them, in any such suit or action, or costs adjudged against them shall be satisfied and paid in due course out of the proper funds for such purpose.

339. Said Commissioners shall, by and with the advice and assistance of the Baltimore County Roads Engineer, adopt such system or systems for the care and repair of the public highways, roads, bridges, streets and alleys of the County as may be found most suitable for the several sections of the County or the special roads thereof, provided that such system shall require at least two-thirds of the road tax to be expended in macadamizing the roads with stone or other hard material, in those districts where the district fund amounts to more than two hundred dollars per mile of road. They shall have prepared by the County Surveyor an official road map of the County, upon which shall be designated all County roads, and the distance between intersections of roads or prominent points thereon; whenever a new road shall be opened or accepted, or an old road altered or closed, its location or the fact that it has been altered or closed shall be properly