

fifty dollars and upwards, six votes; and any taxable so entitled may vote by proxy, authorized by writing, under his hand.

A majority of the taxables shall be a quorum for the purposes aforesaid; but if a majority of the taxables refuse or fail to meet, upon the notice being given as aforesaid for any regular election, or for the purpose of filling a vacancy, then in either case the County Commissioners, upon proof that the required notice has been given, shall be authorized and are directed to appoint such managers and treasurer.

The managers, for the time being, shall annually thereafter in the same manner call a meeting for the same purpose on the first Saturday of March, but if the managers for the time being shall have failed heretofore to call such a meeting or shall hereafter fail to call such a meeting, then the County Commissioners be and they are hereby authorized and directed to appoint such managers and treasurer upon proof that no such meeting has been called by the managers for the time being.

81AG. 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. 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 cleaning and repairing such ditches. 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, cleaning out, repairing or extending such ditch or ditches, or drains, or installing drain tile in such ditches or drains, and shall thereupon proceed to appoint a Drain Commission of judicious freeholders as hereinbefore provided, for the locating and opening of a ditch or ditches, who shall make