such manner and with such material and surfacing as they may consider best, any of the streets and thoroughfares of the town and by general ordinance require the owners of the lots of ground fronting on the street or thoroughfare so graded or made as aforesaid, to pay two-thirds (2-3) of the expense incurred in grading and making such streets or thoroughfares in proportion to the front feet of said lots of such owners respectively on said streets or thoroughfares and to be payable when such work is finished, and such proportion of such expense as should be borne by each respective owner according to his frontage as aforesaid shall be and remain a lien on the such respective lots until paid; and whenever payment thereof is refused, the Mayor and Council may recover the same by action at law or by proceedings to enforce said lien by sale in a manner to be prescribed by said ordinance, and the remaining one-third (1-3) of said expense shall be paid by the Mayor and Council out of the taxes levied by them upon the property generally within said corporation.

SEC. 54-D. The Mayor and Council may levy annually a tax on the property in said corporation assessed as aforesaid, not exceeding fifty cents (50c) on every one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to the assessed value thereof, which tax shall be a lien on said property, real, personal and mixed, of the tax-payers of said town, respectively, till paid, and interest shall be chargeable on said taxes after thirty days from the time when the same are due and payable; and said taxes shall be due and payable thirty days from the date of levying the same; the said Mayor and Council may also, in their discretion, allow a discount not exceeding five per centum (5%) for prompt payment of said taxes.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the two additional sections, to be known as 54-J and 54-K, be added to Article 7 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Carroll County," sub-title "Hampstead," as follows:

SEC. 54-J. They shall have the power to provide by general ordinance for the grading, making or curbing, or for the regrading, re-making or re-curbing of any street, in the said town of Hampstead, without the passage of a special ordinance in the particular case, whenever the owners of a majority of the front feet of property binding on such street shall apply for the same upon terms and under conditions to be prescribed in the same general ordinance, and for assessment and