day in December in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four, appoint some competent person, who shall have sufficient knowledge and experience, in the estimation and judgment of the Chairman of the State Roads Commission and Director of Public Works to enable him to discharge properly the duties of grading, draining, maintaining, repairing and reconstructing the public roads and bridges of said County, County Road Superintendent for Somerset County, at a salary not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) a year, payable monthly; and the said county road superintendent shall hold his office and be paid for his services from the first day of January next succeeding his appointment for one year, unless sooner removed, as hereinafter provided.

- 229. The said county road superintendent shall be subject to removal from office at all times by the said Chairman of the State Roads Commission and Director of Public Works, in his discretion, and the said county road superintendent shall not be entitled to receive any salary from the date of such removal.
- 230. The County Road Superintendent thus appointed, before he enters upon the duties of his said office, shall take an oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, that he will faithfully perform the duties of the same, and he shall also execute a bond to the State of Maryland in the penalty of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) for the faithful performance of his duty as County Road Superintendent for Somerset County.
- The County Road Superintendent shall be a taxpayer and voter in Somerset County during the term of his office, and shall have and take charge of all public roads and bridges in Somerset County, and shall make all specifications for the building of new roads and bridges, and shall see that no obstruction, hindrance, or injury is or shall be permitted upon any road or bridge under his supervision as aforesaid. It shall be his duty at all times to keep all the roads and bridges in Somerset County in reasonable repair and in good and safe condition, and to that end he shall employ such help, teams and implements and purchase such material as he may deem necessary for the working, repairing and constructing of said roads and bridges, to be paid for out of the levy made therefor as aforesaid by the County Commissioners of Somerset County, and he shall have charge and control of all teams, carts, wagons and other machinery and implements which may be purchased, and all materials which may be purchased for the use of said