

said owners to appear at said meeting and express their views upon the question or show cause, if there be any, why the said improvements should not be made, and the decision made by the Mayor and Common Council at this meeting shall be final and conclusive; provided, however, that no improvement shall be made under this Act on any street without the signature consent or request of more than fifty (50) per cent of the front foot abutting property owners affected on the street which it is proposed to improve.

SEC. 4. The Mayor and Common Council are hereby authorized to make such sidewalks, curbs, gutters, roadbed and street improvements determined by them in accordance with the previous section, and where work is done under contract the Mayor and Common Council shall invite proposals for said work by advertising for two weeks in some newspaper having circulation in Riverdale, at such reasonable cost for said advertising, to be paid out of the fund provided by this Act, as the Mayor and Common Council shall determine, and the said Mayor and Common Council shall in all cases, award the contract for such work to the lowest responsible bidder therefor reserving at all times the right to reject any and all bids received. All Contractors for such street improvements shall give bond in such sum as the Mayor and Common Council shall require, with sufficient surety or sureties, to be approved by the Mayor and Common Council, for the faithful performance of their contract. The Mayor and Common Council shall employ a competent engineer at such compensation as may be determined by them in carrying out the objects of this Act, and where an engineer is employed his compensation to be considered a part of the cost of the improvements.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, The Mayor and Common Council shall cause to be levied against the abutting property owners the entire cost of said improvement, each lot being assessed the proportionate share of the total cost which the portion of said lot abutting on said street bears to the entire length so to be improved provided however, that wherever any street is to be paved abutting on which there may be any property belonging to or dedicated to the use of said town, any or all such paving improvements in front of such property or dedication shall be paid for by said town in the same ratio as herein applied to individuals on the said street and to be paid for out of said town's funds. Said assessment shall become due and payable sixty (60) days after the levying thereof and shall be a lien upon such abutting property and shall be payable all cash or in twelve equal installments of six, twelve, eighteen, twenty-four, thirty, thirty-six, forty-two, forty-eight, fifty-four, sixty, sixty-six, and