

closing of streets, lanes, and alleys of said town; and all benefits received and all damages done by the said opening, closing, widening, extending and improving of said streets or alleys, shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said town, to be appointed by the said commissioners, or a majority thereof, who shall after a reasonable time after notification of their appointment, take an oath before a Justice of the Peace of Charles County, or a Notary Public of said county, that they will faithfully, fairly and without partiality or prejudice value and assess in money the loss and damage to be suffered or incurred, as well as the benefits to be received by any person or persons interested in the property over, through or which the said street, lane or alley is to be opened, closed, extended, widened or improved; and they shall return the same in writing under their hands and seals with a certificate of their qualifications before a justice of the peace or notary public as hereinbefore provided, to the said commissioners, which said valuation and assessment shall be ratified or rejected by the said commissioners as in their judgment they deem proper; and if any shall feel aggrieved by the determination of the said commissioners in ratifying or rejecting said award or return, or in the amount of the compensation awarded, benefits assessed or in any manner relating to the same, he or they may appeal within thirty days of said ratification to the Circuit Court for Charles County, and either party may be entitled to a trial by a jury and the judgment of said Court shall be final among the parties to such appeal.

175A. The said commissioners shall have power to provide, in any of their by-laws or ordinances, for a fine or penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, to be imposed upon any person for the violation thereof, and the said fine or penalty may be recovered in the name of the corporation from the person liable thereto before any justice of the peace for Charles County like other debts; and provided further that if the violation of the by-law or ordinance is criminal in its nature, it shall be the duty of the bailiff or sheriff to arrest the person so offending or violating the ordinance as aforesaid, and to take such person before some justice of the peace for Charles County, and upon conviction for such offense the said offender shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than fifty dollars, and costs, such fine to go to the use of said corporation, and in default of payment of said fine and costs as aforesaid, the person so convicted shall be committed to