vision of the construction, reconstruction and repair of the public roads and bridges in Harford County. He shall inspect the roads and bridges of the County as often as may be necessary to thoroughly familiarize himself with the conditions and requirements of the County generally and make such special examinations, surveys and reports as the County Commissioners may require. He shall have full power to suspend work being done by contract if the same is not in his judgment being done according to the contract; and the County Commissioners on work done by contract, shall make no payment therefor except upon the written approval of said Roads Engineer.

The said Roads Engineer shall also have charge of all County machinery and equipment used by the County in the construction and repair of public roads and bridges, and shall be responsible for the proper care and maintenance thereof.

Whenever a section of the County roads is to be improved, the said Roads Engineer shall prepare the necessary right-of-way sheets and secure from the adjacent land owners the necessary rights-of-way for the purpose of widening, grading and relocating said roads to the end that all such roads so repaired or rebuilt shall be of a proper width, grade and alignment. He shall also, when required by the County Commissioners, assist in securing the necessary rights-of-way for the construction of State roads in Harford County.

The said Roads Engineer and the County Commissioners shall select and agree upon the necessary employees to carry out the provisions of this Act, and shall as far as possible select those men who have held similar positions in connection with the same type of work in the past. After their selection and employment they shall be under the direct charge and control of the said Engineer and he shall also have power from time to time to employ additional personnel for this work as the conditions may require by and with the consent of the said Commissioners; he shall also have the power to discharge any employee.

The said Roads Engineer shall appear before the County Commissioners on their first regular meeting in each month, or oftener if required by said Commissioners, and make a full and exact statement to them of all work done or contemplated and the cost thereof. He shall also on or before the fifteenth day of October in each year submit to the County Commissioners a statement showing the expenditures to date and the estimated expenditures for the balance of the calendar year for the construction, reconstruction and repair of roads and bridges and for the purchase, repair and operation of road machinery and equipment, for all salaries, wages and expenses, and other expenditures in connection with the duties of his office. At the