

that may arise within, between or among any of the said sub-departments. The said Chief Engineer shall have power to call together for consultation, whenever he deems it advisable, any or all of the sub-departments, including not only the heads thereof, but any of the employees thereof. Upon request of any sub-department, or any other party in interest, he shall call together any officials or employees under his jurisdiction, to discuss and give their opinions upon any engineering question that may arise or be presented for his determination, and in the event of any controversy between or among any of the sub-departments, he shall give opportunity to both sides to be heard before himself and the executive officers of the Department of Public Works, except that no representative of a sub-department involved in the matter to be heard shall sit in said cause, and provided further, that the recommendations of said Board in any such matter shall be advisory only, and shall in no manner affect the final authority or decision herein committed to the Chief Engineer.

The Chief Engineer shall have power and it shall be his duty to coordinate the functions and operations of the sub-departments constituting the Department of Public Works, to the end that all unnecessary waste and duplication of effort may be eliminated. He shall see to it that no sub-department unnecessarily maintains duplicate equipment or personnel for work which should be centralized in one bureau and is empowered to centralize any such unnecessary duplication of work or personnel in one or more sub-departments for the purpose of eliminating such duplication and likewise shall have power to assign and re-assign equipment from the custody of one sub-department to another sub-department, as he may deem expedient.

The Chief Engineer of Baltimore County shall have supervision over all engineering questions and over all matters concerned or connected with any and every public improvement in Baltimore County or elsewhere, made by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County or any department, office, board, commission or agency thereof, and all plans and specifications of such public improvements shall be submitted to the said Chief Engineer and be subject to his approval.

The Chief Engineer of Baltimore County shall perform such additional duties as may be required of him by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County and said County Commissioners shall have full and complete authority to reverse, alter or amend in any way, any decision of the Chief Engineer of Baltimore County.

The Chief Engineer of Baltimore County shall have power to assign and re-assign to and take from the sub-departments of the Department of Public Works the performance of any