

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.

(e) 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 same time he submits the above statement he shall also submit a proposed budget for the approval of the County Commissioners for the succeeding calendar year; for the purpose of giving the Commissioners the necessary information to enable them to estimate the County levy for roads and bridges for the succeeding calendar year. The County Commissioners shall publish this statement and budget, or as much thereof as may be necessary to apprise the residents of the County of the contents thereof, in one or more County papers published in Harford County. He shall in no calendar year expend a greater amount of money than has been appropriated for the construction, reconstruction or repair of roads or for the purchase of materials or machinery without first obtaining a written order from the said Commissioners so to do.

(f) The said Roads Engineer shall examine and certify to the correctness of all bills and accounts for work and materials furnished for any of the roads and bridges, or for any other construction or repair work done by the County under his supervision; also all expenditures for or in connection with the purchase, repair, maintenance or operation of any of the aforementioned machinery or equipment; also for all supplies purchased for any of the above mentioned purposes. He shall have the power to purchase materials necessary for the proper performance of his duties where the amount of such purchase does not exceed Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), but he must submit the vouchers for the same to the County Commissioners for their approval before the said bills are paid. If the amount or estimated amount of said purchase is in excess of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) he must first secure the approval