

CHAP. 174. be so constructed, as not to prevent the navigation of said water, by sein boats, or other craft.

CHAPTER 174.

Passed Mar. 12, 1839. *An act to lay out and open a road in Prince George's County.*

Commissioners named

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John Bowie, Hanson Penn, John S. Dodson, William F. Deckins and John Davis, of Prince George's county, be, and the same are hereby appointed commissioners to survey, lay out and open a road, not exceeding thirty feet in width, commencing at the point, (on the road leading from Washington city, by the Powder Factory, Ellicott's Mills, &c., to Baltimore) where the old road from Bladensburg, intersected said road and running thence in the direction of Bladensburg, as nearly along the course of the old road as the convenience of the public, and the interest of the land holders, through whose lands the said road may pass, will permit, until it intersects the Washington and Baltimore Turnpike road, at or near the town of Bladensburg; and the said road, when so opened, shall be deemed thereafter, a public road, and be kept in repair in the same manner as other public roads are in said county.*

To lay out

Public road thereafter

Account of expenses

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted, That the levy court of Prince George's county, be, and they are hereby authorised and directed, on receiving from said road commissioners, or a majority of them, an account, on oath, of the expenses of surveying, laying out and opening said road, including two dollars per day to the road commissioners for their services, to levy the same on the assessable property of said county, at their next annual levy to be collected as other county charges are now collected.*

Levy directed

Assess damages

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted, That the aforementioned commissioners, or a majority of them, shall value and ascertain the damages that may be sustained by any person or persons, through whose land the said road may be made to pass, and that the damages, so ascertained, shall be levied, assessed and collected, as other*