

(b) To construct and operate a sanitary sewerage system, a sewage treatment plant, and storm water sewers.

(c) To construct, maintain, reconstruct, enlarge, alter, repair, improve or dispose of all parts, installations, and structures of the above systems and plants.

(d) To have surveys, plans, specifications, and estimates made for any of the above plants or systems or parts thereof or the extension thereof.

(e) To do all things it deems necessary for the efficient operation and maintenance of the above plants and systems.

CONSTRUCTION

75. The town, through the clerk-treasurer, shall advertise for sealed bids for any major construction undertaken under Section 75 74(a), (b), or (c). Bids may be asked for the work as a whole or in parts. The contract shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and all contracts shall be approved by the council. If the council feels that all the bids are unreasonable, it may direct the clerk-treasurer to re-advertise same.

ENTERING ON COUNTY OR STATE PUBLIC WAYS

76. The town may enter upon or do construction in any county public way (except state highways) for the purpose of installing or repairing any equipment or doing any other things necessary to establish, operate and maintain the water system, sanitary sewerage system, sewage treatment plant, or storm water sewers provided for in this charter. The town need not obtain any permit or pay any charge for these operations, but it must notify the county of its intent to enter on the public way and must leave the public way in a condition not inferior to that existing before. When the town desires to enter on any state highway for the purposes aforesaid, it must first comply with the provisions of Section 21 of Article 89B of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland (1939 Edition).

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

77. The Town of Friendsville shall have the power to acquire by gift, purchase, lease, or condemnation any land, improvements, rights-of-way, sources of water, or other property of any kind or interest therein or franchise connected therewith within Garrett County, whether used for public, quasi-public, or private purposes, either in fee or as an easement, for the purpose of establishing, operating,