

CHAP. 391. off, and locate a road, beginning at the southern point of Doctor Benjamin Hood's farm, at the Old Frederick road, and running thence north, on the division line between the said Doctor Benjamin Hood and John Hood, to the western extremity of Doctor B. Hood's orchard, thence on the present road to a corner-stone planted in the division line between John Hood and Doctor R. D. Hewitt, and thence on the land of John Hood, as near as practicable to said division line to the southern terminus of Doctor R. D. Hewitt's lane, then with said lane until it reaches the land of Henry Forsyth, thence on the bed of an old road until it reaches the northwestern corner of Doctor R. D. Hewitt's flat-field, and thence on the division line between Doctor R. D. Hewitt and Upton D. Welsh to the lane given by Doctor R. D. Hewitt to Upton D. Welsh, and thence with said lane to the blacksmith shop, on the Sykesville mill road.

Damages, etc

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have power to value and assess the damages sustained by the owners of the lands over which they may locate said road, taking into consideration the advantages as well as the disadvantages that may result to the said owners of lands, and to cause the same to be surveyed, and a plat thereof, together with the valuation of the damages to the landholders as aforesaid, and the expense attending the execution of this act, to be returned to the commissioners of Howard district, and any persons conceiving themselves aggrieved by the proceeding and return to the said commissioners, may object to the ratification thereof before the said board of commissioners, and when ratified and confirmed by the said commissioners, and not until then, it shall be filed and recorded among the public records of the district.

Expenses—  
how paid

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said board of commissioners shall after ratification, levy a sum or sums of money, not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars, to defray all said expenses of locating and opening said road, and to pay the owners of the lands the damages sustained by them respectively, according to the valuation made by said commissioners, and from and after said levy, the road that may be located as aforesaid, shall be deemed and taken as a public road, and kept in repair at the expense of the district.

To make oath.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners shall take an oath, that they will faithfully execute the provisions of this act, without partiality or prejudice, and