

sioner named by said Commissioners shall serve for two years, the second for four years and the third for six years from the date of their appointment, and as the term of each Commissioner expires, his successor shall be appointed by said County Commissioners. Any vacancy in the personnel of the Commission shall be filled by appointment by said County Commissioners for the unexpired term. *The County Commissioners of Harford County, in their discretion, shall have the right to appropriate in their annual budget a sum of money sufficient to defray the per diem allowances of the Commission and other administrative expenses not deemed by said County Commissioners to be properly chargeable* CHARGEABLE *to one or more sanitary districts.*

(b) The Commission shall elect one of its members as Chairman, and shall appoint, discharge at pleasure and, subject to the approval of said County Commissioners, shall fix the compensation of a Secretary-Treasurer, and/or a chief engineer, and such engineering, legal, clerical and other personnel and help, as from time to time the Commission may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this sub-title. The Secretary-Treasurer, if any, appointed by the Commission shall be the collector of all charges and assessments made by the Commission, and shall receive and account for all moneys which shall be due and payable to said Commission from any source whatsoever. All moneys deposited shall be protected by a depository bond, or by such other securities as may be approved by the said Commission. The Secretary-Treasurer shall give bond to the State of Maryland to the amount of ~~[\$10,000.00]~~ \$20,000.00 with a good and sufficient surety to be approved by the said Commissioners, with the condition "that if the above bounden shall well and faithfully execute his office and shall account to the said Commission for all moneys which he shall receive for account of the Commission, or be answerable for by law, then the said obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect". The said bond, when approved, shall be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Harford County; and the person so appointed, before entering upon the duties of his office shall take an oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for said County, in form similar to that taken by collectors of taxes, except as to the title of the office. The Commission is hereby empowered to pay the premiums on all bonds.

(c) All checks issued by said Commission shall be countersigned by the Chairman *or a member of the Commission*. The said Commission shall annually have its accounts audited by a certified public accountant, to be selected by said Commission, and paid by said Commission, and publish a full, true and itemized account, under oath, of its receipts and disbursements in a newspaper published in said county.

Section 408.

(d) The procedure set forth in the foregoing subsections (a), (b) and (c) shall not apply to those cases in which property owners file with the Commission written request for the installation of sanitary facilities, the cost of which the Commission determines will be liquidated by the charges against the properties served.

Section 409.

(c) **[F**or the purpose of providing for the organization and pre-