

be and they are hereby repealed; and that new Sections 441 to 449, 448, inclusive, be and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the Sections so repealed and to be under the new sub-title "Roads and Public Works", and to read as follows:

*Roads and Public Works*

*Powers and Duties of County Commissioners*

*441(a) The County Commissioners of Harford County shall construct and maintain the county road system, with full responsibility for county roads, streets, highways, alleys, parking areas, storm water drains, curbs and gutters, bridges, street lighting, roadside maintenance and beautification, and all matters pertaining thereto. The Commissioners may construct or assume control over the maintenance of sidewalks as part of the county road system.*

*(b) The Commissioners have full power and authority to open, close, plan, construct, maintain, repair, improve, protect, preserve, alter, relocate, straighten, widen, rebuild, beautify, and, in general, to control all bridges, highways, roads, sidewalks, alleys, storm water drains, and such other facilities and appurtenances as they deem necessary or advisable in conjunction with the establishment and continuance of any efficient county road, bridge, sidewalk, and storm water drainage system.*

*(c) The Commissioners may acquire property for any of the purposes of this sub-title by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, exchange or condemnation, including such land and buildings as may be necessary for administrative and maintenance purposes. The right to acquire by condemnation shall be exercised under the provisions of Article 33A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and any amendments thereto). The power of condemnation herein conferred shall not be extended to include any property dedicated as a cemetery.*

*(d) The Commissioners may sell any and all land belonging to the county which has been or may hereafter become unnecessary for use by the county for road purposes by reason of the construction, improvement, or relocation of state or county roads in Harford County. Such land may be sold at such prices and upon such terms as the County Commissioners determine, provided the prices and terms are fair and reasonable; and the Commissioners shall give a good and sufficient deed to the purchaser or purchasers of land so sold. The proceeds derived from the sale thereof shall be deposited with the County Treasurer, to be disposed of as by law directed.*

*(e) The Commissioners may adopt reasonable rules and regulations governing the width, proper care, repair, improvement, construction, and maintenance of county roads, bridges, sidewalks, parking areas and other appurtenant structures, and may adopt regulations with reference to the use of the county roads, streets, and highways by public utilities, corporations, individuals, and the traveling public. Such regulations, if adopted, shall include a proper protection of the roads and other appurtenances of the county highway system and shall impose reasonable penalties for a violation and make other necessary provision for the enforcement thereof; and the rules and regulations may include the use of and reasonable ~~ways~~ CHARGES for the use of parking meters; and all such rules and regulations,*