

limits not otherwise served, to acquire, construct, improve, enlarge, operate and maintain, a water supply and distribution system, a sanitary sewerage system and treatment plant and a storm water drainage system; to impose, levy and collect assessments, connection and service charges to pay the cost of any such systems and the cost of maintenance and operation thereof; to adopt and, from time to time, revise rules and regulations governing the use of any such systems and the connection thereto; to acquire by purchase or condemnation real property necessary for any such systems; to contract to provide water or sewer service to any public agency or installation on such terms as may be acceptable; to accept governmental grants or loans for the acquisition or construction of any such systems on such terms as may be prescribed; and to exercise within its service area certain of the powers conferred on the Cecil County Metropolitan Commission in sanitary districts elsewhere in Cecil County.

Section 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF PERRYVILLE, That the Town Charter, as the same appears in the Code of Public Local Laws of Cecil County (1961 Edition), being Article 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title: Cecil County, subtitle: Perryville, be and the same is hereby amended by adding to said Charter a new subheading and a new Section, designated Section 312 A, which shall read as follows:

Water and Sewer Systems

312A. *The Commissioners of Perryville are hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, as herein provided, and to construct, reconstruct, repair and extend, both within the corporate limits of the Town and in any contiguous area beyond said limits not otherwise served, a water supply and distribution system, a sanitary sewerage system, a storm water drainage system and a sanitary sewage disposal plant, or the Town may extend, alter and repair any of such existing systems so established or acquired by it and may operate and maintain any such system or systems so established, acquired or constructed. In conjunction with the authority hereby conferred, The Commissioners of Perryville may take or acquire any land, structures, buildings, water courses, water rights or other property, either within or outside the municipality, either in fee or as an easement, for the construction, establishment, extension, alteration, maintenance or operation of any part or appurtenance of any of said systems. Such property may be acquired by gift, purchase or condemnation, but the taking of any such property by condemnation shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Public General Laws of Maryland applicable to the condemnation of property by municipal corporations. However, the power hereby conferred shall extend to any property, right or interest belonging to any person or corporation whether such corporation be public or private, and whether such property, right or interest be impressed with a prior public or quasi-public use or not and, in the event any such condemnation proceedings are instituted by the Town, then, following the expiration of ten (10) days after the return and recordation of the verdict or award, the Town may enter and take possession of the property so condemned, upon first paying to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cecil County the amount of said award and all costs taxed to that date, notwithstanding any appeal or further proceedings on the part of the defendant, provided that, at the time of such payment, the Town shall give its corporate undertaking to abide by and fulfill any judgment in such appeal or further proceedings.*