

(b) *The Director of Public Works shall be an engineering graduate of a college or university of recognized standing and a registered professional engineer. He shall have demonstrated ability in the management of public works and utilities and shall have had responsible charge of engineering works over a period of at least two years prior to his appointment. He shall have such other qualifications as may be prescribed by law or regulation. He shall be appointed solely with regard to his qualifications.*

(c) *The Director shall be appointed by, and shall be responsible to, the County Commissioners. HE SHALL, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CECIL COUNTY, FIX THE COMPENSATION OF A SECRETARY-TREASURER AND SUCH ENGINEERING, LEGAL, CLERICAL AND OTHER PERSONNEL AND HELP, AS FROM TIME TO TIME HE MAY DEEM NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE. THE SECRETARY-TREASURER APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR SHALL RECEIVE AND ACCOUNT FOR ALL MONEY WHICH SHALL BE DUE AND PAYABLE TO SAID DEPARTMENT FROM ANY SOURCE WHATSOEVER.*

(d) *All moneys deposited shall be protected by a depository bond, or by such other securities as may be approved by the Department. The Secretary-Treasurer shall give bond to the State of Maryland for not less than \$25,000 with a good and sufficient surety to be approved by the Commissioners, with the condition "that if the above bounden . . . shall well and faithfully execute his office and shall account to the Department for all moneys which he shall receive for account of the Department, 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 Cecil 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 Department is hereby empowered to pay the premiums on all bonds. All checks issued by the Department shall be countersigned by the Director. The Department shall annually have its accounts audited by a certified public accountant, to be selected BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and paid by the Department, and publish a full, true and itemized account, under oath, of its receipts and disbursements in a newspaper published in said county.*

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(a) *The Department of Public Works shall:*

(1) *Have responsibility for duties related to county public works and public utility surveys, reports, maps, drawings, specifications, and estimates, and the custody of maps and plans of the County for public works and utilities;*

(2) *Supervise the execution of and performance of all contracts for capital projects except schools, and assist the County Commissioners in the tabulation of bids and in the determination of the lowest and best bidder with respect to all public works, and upon request of the County Commissioners, with respect to materials, supplies and equipment;*