

78.

Members of the board of managers elected or appointed under ⁴ [§§ 76] § 64 or [77] § 65 of this subtitle shall hold office for a term of three years and until their successors are elected or appointed, provided that any person elected to fill a vacancy caused by death or resignation shall hold the office for the unexpired balance of the three-year term and until his successor is elected or appointed.

IN CASE OF A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF MANAGERS CAUSED BY DEATH, RESIGNATION, OR FOR ANY REASON THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY TO APPOINT A MANAGER TO SERVE UNTIL THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.

79.

(a) The board of managers shall by virtue of this subtitle have and possess such rights-of-way and easements as are necessary for the construction and maintenance of the drainage improvements and for the disposition of excavated material according to [standards of good drainage practice.] AN APPROVED OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN.

(b) The board of managers of every public drainage association in this State shall submit to the clerk of the circuit court in the appropriate county a suitable book, to be known as the "easement record", which contains all of the easements for maintenance or rights-of-way, according to the original design specifications or for not less than 20 feet, that the association has on any land in the county. The association shall bear the responsibility to keep the "easement record" up to date and current. The clerk of each court shall make this "easement record" available for inspection by the public.

82.

(a) As an alternate plan for raising funds necessary to carry out the plan of drainage improvements described in the report of the drainage viewers and confirmed by the county commissioners, as provided in § [81] 87, the board of managers shall have the power to issue and sell bonds or notes for an amount not exceeding the total cost of the improvements as hereinafter provided.

(b) The board of managers shall give once a week for three weeks by publication in some newspaper published in the county in which the drainage area or some part thereof is situated, if there be such a newspaper, and also by posting a notice at the door of the courthouse of such county and at five conspicuous places in the drainage area, reciting the fact that they propose to issue bonds or notes for the payment of the cost of the improvement, giving the amount of bonds or notes to be issued, the rate of interest that they are to bear or the method of determining the same, and the time when payable. Any taxable may within fifteen days after the publication or posting of such notice pay to the county treasurer the full amount for which his land is liable, to be ascertained from the report of the drainage viewers, and have his lands and himself relieved from further liability for this particular improvement. Prior to issuing any bonds or notes under this section, the board of managers shall deduct from the estimated amount of bonds or notes to be issued, the amount or amounts so paid in advance, and shall issue bonds or notes