

(c) In the event that the Board decides that any modification of an existing rate, charge, or assessment previously established (1) by the District, by its governing body, by the County, or by the Board on behalf of the County pursuant to [Article 43] TITLE 9 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND prior to June 1, 1967, or (2) by the Commission, by the County, or by the Board on behalf of the County pursuant to Chapter 754 of the Acts of 1967, as amended and supplemented, prior to July 1, 1979, is necessary or desirable, the Board promptly shall give notice of the proposed rates, charges, and assessments in at least one newspaper of general circulation in Carroll County. Thereafter, the Board shall conduct a public hearing on the necessity or advisability of the proposed rates, charges, or assessments.

(d) Without in any way limiting the provisions of this [subtitle] TITLE or of any other provision of law, the County has and may exercise all powers necessary or convenient for carrying out the purposes set forth in this [subtitle] TITLE, including but without limiting for generality of the foregoing, the following:

(1) To sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, complain, and defend in all courts.

(2) To appoint officers, attorneys, accountants, agents, employees, and servants to implement the provisions of this [subtitle] TITLE and to fix their compensation and to supervise their duties.

(3) To borrow money and issue bonds, certificates, or other evidence of indebtedness, the borrowing of all money and the issuance of all bonds being subject to the terms, provisions, and specifications contained in this [subtitle] TITLE.

(4) To establish, extend, and maintain water, sewerage, and drainage systems in Carroll County other than in any municipal corporation which existed on June 1, 1967, and in those areas within 1 mile of the present corporate limits of any existing municipal corporation or the corporate limits as may be established by an existing municipal corporation unless such water, sewerage, and drainage systems are approved in accordance with [Section 15-3] § 14-106 of this [subtitle] TITLE.

(5) To enter into contracts with any third person to effect the purposes of this [subtitle] TITLE.

[15-2.] 14-105. Annual audit.

[(a)] The County shall annually have any accounts which are maintained to implement this [subtitle] TITLE audited by a certified public accountant to be selected by the Board; all fees incurred by such accountant in connection with the audit shall be paid by the County; and the County shall publish a full, true and itemized account of its receipts and disbursements under this [subtitle] TITLE in a newspaper published in Carroll County.

[(b)] Officers; staff; surety bonds. The Commission shall elect one of its members as Chairman. Subject to the approval of the Board, the Commission shall appoint, discharge and fix the compensation of a Secretary-Treasurer, a Chief Engineer and such engineering, legal, clerical and other personnel and help as from