time to time the Commission may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. The Secretary-Treasurer, if any, appointed by the Commission shall be the collector of all charges and assessments made by the Commission, and shall receive and account for all monies which shall be due and payable to the Commission from any source whatsoever. All monies deposited shall be protected by a depository bond. or by such other securities as may be approved by the Commission. The Secretary-Treasurer shall give bond to the State of Maryland to the amount of \$20,000.00, with a good and sufficient surety to be approved by the Commission, with the condition "that if the above bounden shall well and faithfully execute his office and shall account to the Commission for all monies which he shall receive for account of the Commission, or be answerable for by law, then the said obligation to be void. otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect." The bond, when approved, shall be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll 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 the County, in form similar to that taken by collectors of taxes, except as to the title of the office. The Commission may pay the premiums on all bonds. All checks issued by the Commission shall be signed by the Secretary-Treasurer and countersigned by one member of the Commission.

(c) Audits; reports. The Commission shall annually have its accounts audited by a certified public accountant to be selected by the Commission and approved by the Board; all fees incurred by such accountant in connection with the audit shall be paid by the Commission; and the Commission shall publish a full, true and itemized account of its receipts and disbursements in a newspaper published in Carroll County.]

[15-3.] 14-106. Right to make improvements, notice.

- (a) To provide for the general health and welfare of the residents of Carroll County, the County may acquire, construct, operate, and maintain [such] THE water, sewerage, and drainage systems as it deems to be in the public interest. The County may cause surveys, plans, specifications, and estimates to be made for [such] THE systems. Unless all owners of land which will be served by any [such] proposed improvements consent in writing to [such] THE improvements being made, the County shall construct any [such] system or extension [thereof] only after a public hearing held by the Board, after giving notice [thereof] in two newspapers of general circulation published in Carroll County at least seven days [prior to] BEFORE the hearing, and in the case of drainage systems, only after a drainage area has been established pursuant to [Section 15–5A] § 14–201 of this [subtitle] TITLE. At the hearings, a description of the proposed improvements shall be presented together with the estimated costs [thereof] and estimated revenues to be derived therefrom.
- (b) The power and authority conferred upon the County of this [subtitle] TITLE may be exercised by [it] THE COUNTY throughout Carroll County Provided, however, (1) Except as otherwise provided in this [subtitle] TITLE, the Service Area within which the County may exercise power and authority under this [subtitle] TITLE shall not include any municipal corporation which existed on June 1, 1967, and the County shall exercise no authority over the operation or construction of the sewerage, water and drainage systems of any municipal corporation which existed on