

streets, lanes and thoroughfares of said City; to regulate the numbering of houses, lots, streets and avenues, and the naming of streets, avenues and public places; to regulate the use of the sidewalks for the use of signs, sign posts, awnings, posts, horsetroughs, telegraph, telephone, electric light and trolley wire poles, telegraph, telephone, electric light and trolley wires; and to impose an annual tax on each and every of said telegraph and telephone, electric light poles not exceeding one (1) dollar per pole per year; to require the occupants of property within said City limits to remove snow from the sidewalks in front of their respective properties; to regulate the speed of automobiles and other motor vehicles within said City limits; and generally to pass all ordinances necessary for the good government of said city. The Commissioners of Ellicott City shall further have the power to enact all laws or ordinances necessary for the installation, distribution and protection of any water supply hereafter built, installed or purchased.

1914, ch. 836, sec. 68.

141. The Commissioners of Ellicott City may acquire by deed, will or in any other manner any land lying within the corporate limits of Ellicott City for the purpose of creating a public park or parks, and may appropriate such funds as they may, in their discretion, deem proper for the laying out, construction and permanent maintenance of such public park or parks.

1914, ch. 836, sec. 69.

142. Any person who shall wilfully or maliciously injure, disfigure or destroy any monument erected in any public park or parks within the corporate limits of Ellicott City, or take and carry away any growing tree therefrom, or destroy any vine, plant, shrubbery, root, vegetable, or fencing shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; and, after presentment and indictment by the Grand Jury for Howard County, and conviction thereof in the Circuit Court for Howard County, shall, in the discretion of said Court, be imprisoned in the Maryland House of Correction for a period not exceeding three years, or be fined not more than One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars, or both fined and imprisoned as aforesaid.

1914, ch. 836, sec. 70. 1924, ch. 406, sec. 70.

143. They may grade and pave streets and lay flagstones across the same and require the owners of lots, in front of which such grading and paving are to be done, to do the same at their own expense. They may also contract for the lighting of the avenues, streets, lanes and alleys of said City, either by electricity or otherwise, and they shall also have the authority to contract with some responsible Company, Corporation, person or persons for a water supply for said City; and may grant permission to any such Company, Corporation, person or persons to lay pipes in the beds of the avenues, streets, lanes and alleys of said City, at the expense and liability of said Company, Corporation, person or persons for