

with the jury; whereupon the jury shall reconsider their report with the exceptions and change the same as justice may require. The report as finally prepared shall be filed in court.

Section 1625. Appeals From Report.—Any person affected by the report shall have the right of an appeal to the court of common pleas, within thirty days after the report is filed, and the procedure on such appeal shall be the same as in actions of trespass.

Section 1626. Confirmation of Report.—At the end of the period allowed for an appeal, the report shall be absolutely confirmed by the court as to such awards or assessments from which no appeals have been taken.

Section 1627. When Vacation Proceedings not to Be Had.—No alley, lane, or passageway shall be vacated in any case where the vacating deprives any lot abutting thereon of the sole means of ingress or egress, otherwise than to or from the front line thereof; nor where it was created by grant or contract and not theretofore accepted by the public.

ARTICLE XVII

FINANCE AND TAXATION

Section 1701. Budget.—The board of township commissioners of townships shall each year, within sixty days after the first Monday of January, estimate the several amounts of money which will be required for the several specific purposes of township government and expenses during the current fiscal year, and by ordinance appropriate, out of the revenues available for the year, the specific sums required. The tax levied by the township authorities shall be fixed at such figure, within the limit fixed by law, as, with all other sources of revenue, will meet and cover said appropriations. The total appropriation shall not exceed the revenues available for the fiscal year. If the funds available from taxation and other sources shall be estimated to be in excess of the requirements of the current fiscal year, an appropriation may be made for the payment of township orders or indebtedness of the previous years.

Section 1702. Appropriations not to be Exceeded; Changes in Appropriations.—No work shall be hired to be done, no materials purchased, no contracts made, and no orders issued for the payment of any moneys, by the authorities of any township, in any amount which will cause the sums appropriated to specific purposes to be exceeded. No change in the purpose of the appropriations shall be made unless by an ordinance, which shall set out the reasons for and character of such change. If any work shall be done for or materials furnished to any township contrary to the provisions of this section,