

The purpose for which the lights are to be furnished in this instance and as contemplated in the agreement may be most worthy, but before the expenditure can be made there must be statutory authority therefor. If the department could expend money for the furnishing of lights upon the bridge in question, it likewise could furnish lights upon every bridge and culvert located on every inter-county highway and main market road in the state.

The word "maintenance" as used in the above section refers to the physical upkeep of roads when once constructed, and not to the furnishing of light upon roads or bridges for safety purposes.

There being no authority in the present law permitting the director of highways and public works to expend money for the purpose of furnishing lights upon bridges, I am of the opinion that you may not lawfully enter into the contract submitted for my consideration and approval.

I am herewith returning the contract submitted.

Respectfully,  
EDWARD C. TURNER.  
*Attorney General.*

147.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF BEACHWOOD, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO—\$98,700.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 4, 1927.

*Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.*

148.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO—\$8,164.27.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 4, 1927.

*Department of Industrial Relations, Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.*