# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

# Wednesday, September 14, 1977

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President

Commissioner Ford L. Dean Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe Commissioner Larry Millison Commissioner John K. Parlett

Edward V. Cox, County Administrator Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

The meeting came to order at 9:00 a.m.

# READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of September 7, 1977 were read. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

# ENCUMBRANCE VOUCHERS

Present: Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

Mr. Sterling presented the encumbrance vouchers for the Commissioners' review and approval. Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve payment of the bills, as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

### PROPOSED CHARLOTTE HALL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Parlett displayed a proposed plan for the Charlotte Hall property site depicting sites for the location of the Veterans' Home, middle school, high school, park and sewage disposal system to be presented to State officials.

#### RECONSTRUCTION OF MATTAPANY ROAD

Present: Mike Marlay, Director, Metropolitan Commission

Harry Knight, Metropolitan Commission

Charles Mander, Attorney, Metropolitan Commission

John Norris, County Engineer

Dan Ichniowski, Highway Technician, Engineer's Office

The above individuals appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the proposed reconstruction of Mattapany Road to accommodate the sewer line. Mr. Marlay presented the cost estimate for this project, which indicated \$108,021 is to be borne by the County and also setting forth the proposed schedule for the project.

The Board of County Commissioners' concurrance was requested for the following:

- 1. That the County will acquire title to the 40 foot right-of-way with the request for donation of the land from the property owners in consideration for the land resurfacing to indivual driveways to the right-of-way or slope easement lime, whichever is greater.
- 2. That the County is going to reconstruct Mattapany Road to a 20 foot width paving, four foot wide shoulders to meet 40 mile per hour design standards;
- 3. That the Metropolitan Commission is going to attempt to acquire rights-of-way for St. Mary's County;
- 4. That the County's funds for the construction of the project will not be anticipated until the 1979 budget.
- 5. That the above is based upon the assumption that approximately \$150,000 of this project will be grant eligible and if not, the Metropolitan Commission should return to the Commissioners for further determination.

Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve the above, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

(Commissioner Parlett left the meeting - 10:30 a.m.)

## PROPOSED COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Present: Dr. Renwick Jackson, President, St. Mary's College
Dr. John Rushbrook, St. Mary's College
Dr. Hampton Davey, President of Faculty Senate
Gordon Kester, Director of College Relations
Professor Thomas McCullough
George Adams, Assistant to the President
Dr. Robert King, Superintendent of Schools
James Forrest, Board of Education
Ed Cole, Board of Education
Eleanor Ritchie, Board of Education

The above individuals appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the proposed community college for St. Mary's County and Dr. Jackson expressed the interest of St. Mary's College in pursuing such a facility for the County. Dr. Rushbrook, Director of the Office of Communiy Education has been assigned the task by St. Mary's College to coordinate the data collecting process and to make the necessary analysis of the community needs with regard to a community college for the area. In addition, Dr. Jackson stated that there would be a pilot program at the

College from February to May that the residents of the County could participate in. In June Dr. Rushbrook will present a full report to the Commissioners setting forth the results of his study of the long-range needs of the community as to post secondary education.

Dr. King stated that the Board of Education is interested in this program and expressed a willingness to cooperate in any way possible.

During discussion, the Commissioners made suggestions as to various aspects to be looked into such as financial, location needed programs and that the State should be involved in the process, and in closing expressed their interest in pursuing such a program for St. Mary' County.

# PROCLAMATION NO. 77-54 HUNTING AND FISHING DAY

Present: Mr. Harold Shindle, Chairman, Nat'l Hunting and Fishing Day Mr. Paul Breidenbaugh, President Md. Wildlife Federation.

The Commissioners presented the above-referenced Proclamation proclaiming September 24, 1977 as Hunting and Fishing Day to the above referenced individuals.

# REZONING HEARING - CASE NO. 77-11 J. WILMER BOWLES

Present: J. Wilmer Bowles, applicant
Clark Raley, attorney for applicant
Frank Gerred, Director, Land Use and Development
Jeff Poley, Zoning/Subdivision Administrator
Joyce Nelson, Recording Secretary

Application was made by J. Wilmer Bowles to have approximately 15.758 acres located on Pegg Road, approximately one block west of Md. Rte. 235, Eighth Election District, rezoned from C-1, commercial to GA, Garden Apartments.

The proceedings were taped and the complete file and tape are on file in the Office of Land Use and Development.

# TECHNICAL CENTER HOUSE NO. 2

Present: Dr. Robert King, Superintendent of Schools George Sullivan, Principal, Tech Center Will Dohrman, Supervisor of Instruction

Mr. Dohrman explained to the Commissioners that the Technical Center students project, House No. 2, will be completed around October 24 and the purpose of this meeting was to obtain direction from the Commissioners as to the disposition of the house. He

stated that the Board of Education would like to turn the sale of the structure over to the County, have the County declare it surplus property and then proceed to advertise it for sale by the sealed bid process.

Mr. Cox and Mr. Dohrman were directed to work out the details relative to the bid sale of the structure.

# GOLDEN BEACH ROAD

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris stated that the grading of all properties for Golden Beach Road has been completed and that he is in need of 5300 yards of dirt and suggested that it could be obtained one of two ways:

- (1) to purchase the dirt at approximately .50¢ per yard from a contractor, or
- (2) proceed with the reconstruction of Theresa Circle, which would be needed to be done in the near future, said road to service the proposed center and proposed fire house and 60 lots, and obtain the dirt from this reconstruction.

Mr. Norris recommended No. 2, and the County Commissioners directed that he determine from the Budget Officer the source of funding for this project which would cost approximately \$14,500 plus utility costs.

Later in the meeting Mr. Norris returned to the Commissioners and stated that the funds could be taken from the guard rail project and roadside obstacle project. Therefore, Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to authorize the transfer of funds from the above-mentioned accounts to the Golden Beach Road Reconctruction Account, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

# PIZZA HUT/HEWITT PROPERTY DRAINAGE PROBLEM

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Commissioner Jarboe raised the issue of the drainage problem at the Pizza Hut/Hewitt property on Great Mills Road, Lexington Park, and it was agreed by the Commissioners that a letter be forwarded to Besche oil requesting improvement of the drainage ditch alongside the Pizza Hut property and to increase the size of the 20-foot long pipe at the end of the drainage ditch, after which time the County would issue the Pizza Hut a permanent Certificate of Occupancy.

# APPOINTMENTS BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to appoint Hope Swann to the Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Sam Bailey, said term expiring December 31, 1977 and further to appoint Ms. Swann for a five-year term, expiring December 31, 1982, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

# ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Commissioner Jarboe nominated the following individuals to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals for terms to expire December 31, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Dean: James C. Raley, Aleck Loker, Jr., and Edwin Peregoy.

Commissioner Millison nominated Joseph Bean and Joseph Ellis to be reappointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals, seconded by Commissioner McKay.

The voting on the above nominations were as follows:

James C. Raley - three to one with Commissioner Millison voting against;

Aleck Loker, Jr. - three to one with Commissioner Millison voting against

Edwin Peregoy - All Commissioners present voting in favor.

Joseph Bean - one to three, with Commissioners McKay,

Dean and Jarboe voting against;

Joseph Ellis - one to three with Commissioners McKay, Dean and Jarboe voting against.

Therefore, James C. Raley, Aleck Loker, Jr. and Edwin Peregoy was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for terms to expire December 31, 1980.

Commissioner Millison stated for the record that his negative vote against Mr. Raley and Mr. Loker is not meant to be disparaging of their character or abilities, but his purpose was merely to retain the services of Mr. Bean and Mr. Ellis who in his opinion have performed staisfactorily.

### HOUSING AUTHORITY

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to appoint Michael Glaser to the Housing Authority for a term to expire June 30, 1978, seconded by Commissioner Millison. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to appoint Ms. Kathy Ritter to the Commission for Women for a term to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

Commissioner Dean made a motion to appoint Mr. Daniel H. Raley to the Maryland Historical Trust (County Government Representative), seconded by Commissioner McKay. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### CAPE ST. MARY'S CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated September 1, 1977 from Senator Simpson in which a request was made for Commissioner approval of his pursuit to obtain tax exempt status for the community property of the Cape St. Mary's Citizens Association. The Commissioners indicated that Senator Simpson's project will have far reaching results relative to tax revenue for the County and that serious study of the matter should be conducted. Commissioner McKay agreed to respond to Senator Simpson's correspondence.

## LETTER TO MRS. SARA CANOBBIO

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward a letter to Mrs. Sara Canobbio acknowledging her efforts on the Citizens Advisory Board for the Crownsville Hospital Center.

#### SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION - NAS TO LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated September 12, from Capt. L.G. Wissler requesting funding from the County in the amount of \$6,433.30 to transport 33 children from the Naval Air Station to Little Flower School. Commissioner Millison made a motion to grant this request, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

# CODIFICATION OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY' S LOCAL LAWS

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward correspondence to General Code Publishers Corporation authorizing them to proceed with the printing of the local laws of St. Mary County.

# POSITION OF PERSONNEL OFFICER

By memorandum dated September 14, 1977, the County Administrator requested authority to initiate recruitment procedures to fill the vacancy of the position of Personnel Officer. After discussion, Commissioner Dean made a motion to grant this authority, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. The Commissioners voted three to one, with Commissioner Millison voting against.

# ROAD RESOLUTION NO. 78-8 (GILLENS GROVE)

On behalf of the County Engineer, the County Administrator presented Road Resolution No. 78-8 designating Stop Streets in the Gillens Grove Subdivision as follows:

Stop sign on Allston Lane as it intersects with Cloverhill Road;

Stop sign on Anne Court as it intersects with Allston Lane and Cloverhill Road;

Stop sign on Kenneth Court as it intersects with Cloverhill Road;

Stop sign on Henry Court as it intersects with Allston Lane and Cloverhill Road;

Stop sign on Keith Court as it intersects with Cloverhill Road.

Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve said Road Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

#### EXCHANGE OF SECURITIES

By letter dated September 14, 1977, the First National Bank of St. Mary's requested to have \$350,000 of securities released and to substitute other bonds as listed in said correspondence. It was the recommendation of the Director of Finance to grant this request. Therefore, Commissioner Dean made a motion to authorize the substitution of securities seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

# ATTENDANCE AT SEMINAR - DIRECTOR, LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Director, Office of Land Use and Development, Frank Gerred submitted a request to attend the A.I.P. 1977 Annual Conference in Kansas City, Missouri, October 8-12. Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### REQUEST FOR TRAVEL - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Mr. Ward Miller, Economic Development Coordinator, submitted a request for travel to the Northeastern Industrial Association Annual Conference at Sarasota Springs, New York, October 1-4. Commissioner Dean made a motion to grant this travel request, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### ATTENDANCE AT SEMINAR - YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

Miss Delores Hill, Youth Services Coordinator, submitted a request to attend the National Youth Alternatives Project Seminar September 26 and 27 in Washington, D.C. Only cost to the county would be registration free and travel expenses. Commissioner Dean made a motion to grant approval of this request, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### GRANT APPLICATION - CRAFTSMEN-IN-RESIDENCE

Present: John Baggett, Director, Recreation and Parks

Mr. Baggett presented for the Commissioners' approval a Grant Application entitled "Craftsmen -in-Residence" to be submitted to the National Endowment for the Arts requesting \$1500 in grant funds, which is a 50-50 match. Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve said grant application, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### GRANT APPLICATION - SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAM

Present: John Baggett, Director, Land Use and Development

Mr. Baggett presented for the Commissioners' approval a Grant Application entitled "School Community Center Program" to be submitted to the State Department of Education requesting \$12,418 in grant funds, which is a 100% funded grant. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve said grant application, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

# LETTER TO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Jarboe presented a letter addressed to the Board Of Public Works for the Commissioners' review and signatures, concerning the use of the Charlotte Hall School property. After discussion, Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to sign and forward said letter, if the majority of the Board's signatures can be obtained, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

# CREATIVE ARTS FORUM

With regard to the request made by the St. Mary's Creative Arts Form for funding assistance at last week's meeting, Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve funding in the amount of \$7800 to be used as a match against the grant from the Maryland Committee for the Humanities, seconded by Commissioner Millison. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

### FIREHOUSE CHATS

Commissioner Jarboe submitted a proposed format for the conducting of firehouse chats throughout the County. The Commissioners will discuss this in greater detail at next week's meetings.

#### REQUEST FOR DEPUTY ATTENDANCE AT COUNTY FAIR

Present: Sheriff Somerville

The Sheriff stated that he received a request from the President of the St. Mary's County Fairboard to have a 24-hour day coverage by deputies during the duration of the County Fair. Sheriff Somerville stated that he could not meet the assignment with current manpower and therefore requested authorization of payment of overtime for off-duty deputies.

After discussion, Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve the attendance of off-duty deputies at the Fair in an amount not to exceed \$800, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. The Commissioners voted two to favor with Commissioners McKay and Millison voting against. Therefore, the motion died for lack of a majority.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Approved:

JAMES M. MCKAY

President