

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Wednesday, November 30, 1977

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President
Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe
Commissioner Larry Millison
Commissioner John K. Parlett
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner Dean was not present at the beginning of the meeting.)

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of November 23, 1977 were read. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

ENCUMBRANCE VOUCHERS

Present: Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

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

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Present: Dr. King, Superintendent of Schools
James Raley
Henry Kanowicz
James Forrest)
Bill Wagoner) Board of Education
Eleanor Ritchie)
Dorothy Harper)
Joe O'Dell, Budget Officer

Commissioner Jarboe explained that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss certain areas of the school construction Capital Improvement Program and there were two questions that need to be answered:

1. The short-range question - if the Commissioners approve the Capital Improvement Program as proposed with the core facilities in Hollywood and Town Creek, would there be a possibility of having additions to those schools when enrollment warranted the need?

2. The long-range question - could we change the emphasis of new school construction to additions to existing schools, thereby saving money in the process?

At this point, Commissioner Parlett distributed and reviewed item by item a proposal for increased capacity of current facilities for elementary schools and suggested that it be explored over the next few months as to its feasibility.

Dr. King and Mr. Raley expressed some concern as to the feasibility of expansion onto the existing schools; however, they indicated a willingness to cooperate in an evaluation of this proposal.

Therefore, Commissioner Jarboe recommended that a committee be established consisting of Public School staff, a Board of Education and County staff to evaluate the long-range question, to which everyone concerned concurred. There will be a Board of Education meeting this afternoon at which time the short-range question will be discussed and possibly a determination made.

(Commissioner Dean entered the meeting at 10:05 a.m.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Dr. King
Jim Raley
Don Adams
Henry Kanowicz
James Forrest
Bill Wagoner
Eleanor Ritchie
Dorothy Harper

The Commissioners agreed to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of possible property acquisition. The session was held from 10:05 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.

ROAD RESOLUTION NO. 78-11
MORGANZA-LAUREL GROVE ROAD

On behalf of the County Engineer the County Administrator presented Road Resolution No. 78-11 posting Morganza-Laurel Grove Road at 30 miles per hour from its intersection with State Route 5 for a distance of approximately .55 mile. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Parlett to approve said Road Resolution. All Commissioners voted in favor.

BIDS ON TECHNICAL CENTER HOUSE NO. 2

The County Administrator presented the bid tally sheet for the sale of the St. Mary's Technical Center House No. 2. The Board of Education and public school staff have been contacted and they are satisfied that this is an acceptable bid. Therefore, Commissioner Dean made a motion to accept the bid from the highest bidder, John F. Sobola, in the amount of \$51,390.25, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM

By memorandum dated November 28, the Personnel Officer requested approval to grant those county employees who wish to donate blood, administrative leave from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 16, 1977.

Commissioner Parlett made a motion to grant administrative leave as requested for this blood drawing and any future blood drawings during the year, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION - BALTIMORE CITY HARBOR

Correspondence was received from the Mayor of Baltimore City requesting the county's participation in the Christmas celebration at Baltimore City Harbor by decorating a tree that will be provided, as well as the County's endorsement of sending the County seal for this celebration. The Commissioners gave their concurrence in participating.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Millison to appoint Mr. Edwin W. Beitzell to the Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 1978. All Commissioners voted in favor.

BUILDING PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Commissioner Dean made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Parlett, to appoint Mrs. Mary O. (Billie) Mattingly to the Building Permit Review Committee. All Commissioners voted in favor.

FAIRGROUNDS PROPERTY
PARTIAL PAYMENT TO ERANSHAW BROTHERS

The County Administrator presented a memorandum from the County Engineer requesting approval of partial payment in the amount of \$9,932.75 for the installation of the sewer line at the county fairgrounds property. Commissioner Dean made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jarboe to approve said partial payment. Four Commissioners voted in favor, with Commissioner Parlett abstaining because he is related to the Earnshaws.

PIZZA HUT SITE PLAN - ATTORNEY

The County Administrator requested approval by the Commissioners to appoint an attorney to represent the County in the Pizza Hut Site Plan court case. Therefore, Commissioner Parlett made a motion to appoint John Pliesse to represent the County in this case, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. Four Commissioners voted in favor with Commissioner Dean abstaining stating that from this point on he will not participate in any decision on this case because one of the principals in Besche Oil is also a Director of Maryland Capital Savings and Loan.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY SPACE

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter requesting Secretary Batterton or his representative to meet with the Commissioners to discuss local Employment Security office space as to its present and future needs.

LEONARD HALL LEASE

The County Administrator presented correspondence from the Leonard Hall Jr. Naval Academy requesting continuation of the lease for the school facilities for an additional four years, beginning 1978. Mr. Cox stated that negotiations for the lease are presently underway and will be presented to the Commissioners at next week's meeting.

CHERRY COVE

The County Administrator presented correspondence from Mr. Murray Jackson requesting that the matter of Cherry Cove be added on the agenda during the Dukehart's Creek discussion at next week's meeting. The Commissioners agreed that it could be added after the Dukehart's Creek discussion.

CASH MANAGEMENT/FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

Present: Joseph O'Dell, Budget Officer
Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

Mr. O'Dell presented and reviewed with the Commissioners the Cash Management Evaluation Analysis giving current status of certain areas of cash management and recommendations for needed improvements. Mr. O'Dell requested a delegation of authority for a person or group of persons to eliminate the time delay in investment practices.

Commissioner Millison stated for the record that all receipts of the county should be placed in interest bearing accounts.

After discussion, Mr. O'Dell and Mr. Sterling were directed to prepare a proposed Investment Ordinance and a policy statement for the implementation of same.

During discussion of the financial management plan, Mr. O'Dell was directed to transmit copies of said plan to the various department heads impacted by certain recommendations contained therein. The department heads are to review and transmit back in written form their comments concerning the report.

KITTS POINT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

Present: Victor Reynolds
Walter Schroder
Walter Raum, Health Department
Harry Knight, Metropolitan Commission
Steve King, Metropolitan Commission
Frank Gerred, Director, Land Use and Development

The Commissioners explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Development Agreement for Kitts Point which had been signed in December of 1973 and in particular the sewage treatment for the development.

Commissioner Parlett explained to Mr. Reynolds the new development and technology of land application since the initiation of the Development Agreement and perhaps he would be willing to consider this possibility.

Mr. Reynolds stated one of the problems he needed to resolve was that he no longer had the option to this property and was presently negotiating with the Jesuits who own the land and had hopes that negotiations would be settled shortly after the first of the year. Once this matter has been resolved, Mr. Reynolds stated he would be willing to work with the County in whatever way possible.

Mr. Reynolds discussed with the Commissioners the matter of the \$75,000 as mentioned in the Development Agreement and that he would be willing to carry out that agreement if and when Kitts Point became a reality.

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

The County Administrator presented the response from the Board of Education and staff to certain questions of the County Commissioners posed earlier in the meeting.

1. Formation of a Study Committee - The Board of Education and staff agrees to the formation of the suggested study committee composed of members of the County Commissioners' staff and Board of Education and staff to review future school construction proposals;

2. Town Creek Elementary School - The Board of Education agrees that two additional classrooms can be added to this school at a later date;

3. Hollywood Elementary School - Two additional classrooms are presently proposed in the FY '79 Construction Program. The proposal to add four additional classrooms later does not seem feasible because of site limitations. However, the Board of Education is agreeable to having this proposal studied further by the above-referenced study committee.

With the above agreements stated, the Board of Education recommended the approval by the County Commissioners for the School Construction Program for FY '79.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dean to sign Resolution No. 77-68 approving the FY '79 Board of Education Capital Improvement Program in the amount of \$1,472,173. All Commissioners voted in favor.

PITCH-IN PROGRAM

Commissioner Jarboe stated that there has been a problem with people dropping off household trash at the Pitch-In containers and suggested that the containers be taken up for the balance of the winter months and stored at one of the landfills; however, the posts should be left at the Pitch-In sites. After discussion, Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to remove the balance

of the containers until April 1, 1978 and that the contractor be given notice to suspend disposal service, seconded by Commissioner Dean. Four Commissioners voted in favor, with Commissioner Millison voting against.

ENERGY CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Jarboe suggested the establishment of an Energy Conservation Coordinating Committee as is being done in other subdivisions through the state and recommended that the following individuals serve on this Committee:

Otis Wood, Director, EOC
Donald Curtis, Housing Coordinator
Paul Raley, Director, Purchasing and Logistics
Charles Smallwood, Tri-County Community Action Committee
Representative from the Board of Education

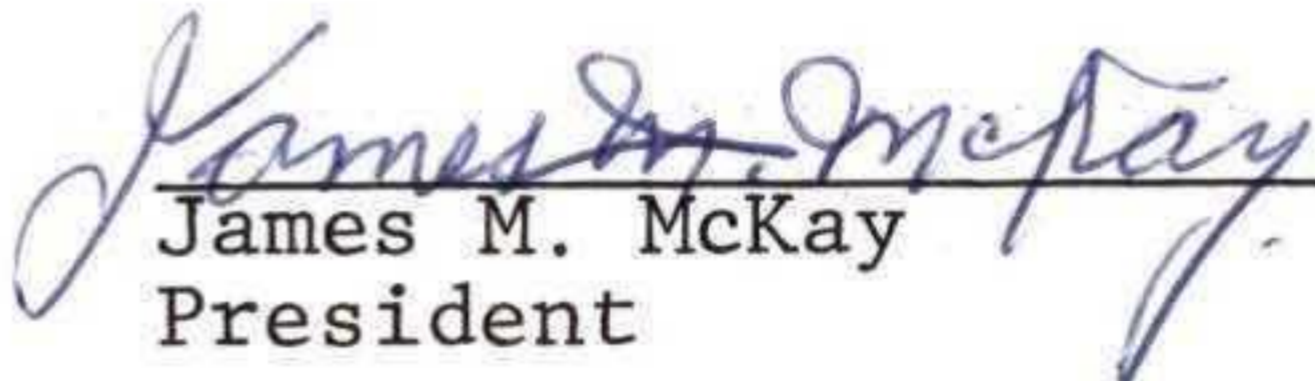
The Commissioners gave their concurrence for the formation of this Committee and directed that these individuals be contacted and that further direction will be given later.

FENCE AT GREAT MILLS HIGH SCHOOL

The County Commissioners concurred that the Board of Education should be notified that they may proceed to construct the fence at Great Mills High School if they can find the funds within their budget.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Approved,


James M. McKay
President

