

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, 1982

Present: Commissioner George R. Aud, President
Commissioner Richard D. Arnold
Commissioner David F. Sayre
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Margaret Nelson, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner Millison was not present due to illness).

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Aud made a motion seconded by Commissioner Arnold to go into Executive Session with the County Attorney for litigation purposes. Motion was unanimously carried.

DEMOLAY CLUB

Present: Mr. Rupert King
Officer John Hoff, Maryland State Police

Mr. King informed the Board of County Commissioners of the purpose of the Demolay Club; that it supervises young men aged 13-21 in the proper handling of firearms. He requested approval by the Board for the use of the firing range on the National Guard Armory property for competitive firearms sports. The Commissioners gave unanimous approval and directed the County Administrator to prepare a lease.

REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM
THERESA K. WARD

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator presented a letter to the Board of County Commissioner from the County Attorney recommending approval be given for the reimbursement of \$672.65 to Ms. Theresa K. Ward which resulted from property being erroneously listed. There was unanimous approval by the Board of County Commissioners for payment of the claim.

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECTS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator presented for approval Clearinghouse Project No. 82-2-345 - FY 1984 State Capital Grant Fund for Historic Preservation Projects. The project included Brame Howard House at St. Mary's City and Ocean Hall in Bushwood. The Board unanimously agreed that the projects are in line with programs and objectives.

PUBLIC HEARING POSTPONEMENT
REAPPORTIONMENT

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator informed the Board of County Commissioners that the Democratic Central Committee Chairperson, Ms. Fenner Boyd, requested the postponement of the Public Hearing scheduled on Reapportionment on March 3, 1982 until final action is taken by the General Assembly after which a meeting with the County's Legislative Delegation should be conducted to determine a future course of action.

ZONING RESOLUTIONS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator presented for approval the following Zoning Resolutions:

Z-PUD-81-1362 - Robert Miedzinski
Z-81-1147 - Esperanza Shopping Center
Z-81-0376 - Valley Lee Rural Service Center

There was a unanimous approval by the Board of County Commissioners of the referenced Zoning Resolutions.

MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator presented for the Board of County Commissioners' approval a letter to Mrs. Elizabeth Raley, Chairperson for the Mental Health Advisory Board that referenced their meeting/presentation with the Commissioners on January 19, 1982. Mrs. Raley was informed in the correspondence that the Board of County Commissioners has addressed the nine recommendations and intend to take action on each as quickly as possible. The correspondence was unanimously approved to be forwarded.

HOUSING FACILITIES TOUR

Present: Joseph Mitchell, Public Housing Coordinator

The Public Housing Coordinator informed the Board of County Commissioners that Secretary Roberson from the Department of Economic and Community Development would be present on March 4, 1982 at 10:00 a.m. to meet with officials at the Naval Air Station and County officials for a briefing and tour of housing facilities in St. Mary's County. Commissioners Aud, Arnold, Dean, County Administrator Cox, Economic Development Coordinator Dave Morgan, Housing Authority Coordinator Mitchell and staff agreed to attend the briefing and tour of the housing facilities.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Commissioner Aud made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Arnold to approve payment of all vouchers as submitted by the Director of Finance. The motion was unanimously carried.

PRIDE IN TOBACCO

Present: Mr. John Cousart, Management Specialist for Programs/
R. J. Reynolds
Ms. Brenda Follmer, Public Relations Manager/R. J. Reynolds

Mr. Cousart and Ms. Follmer, representatives of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in Winston-Salem, North Carolina gave an informative presentation on the "Pride in Tobacco" program and presented a video tape of the program as had taken place in Danville, North Carolina. They entertained questions from the audience and agreed to give full support to any efforts associated with the event should it take place in St. Mary's County.

The Board of County Commissioners and the citizens present expressed interest in having the "Pride in Tobacco" event take place this summer. The Commissioners suggested having notices forwarded to various county organizations requesting their representation in organizing the event. During the month of July was the consensus for the preferred time. The Optimist Club committed themselves to having their three clubs assist.

The Board of County Commissioners agreed to inform the R. J. Reynolds Company of their decision as soon as possible.

PROCLAMATIONS

The following two proclamations were presented:

1. Girl Scout Week - March 7 to 13, 1982.
2. Maryland Women's History Week - March 7 to 13, 1982

PRESS CONFERENCE

Present: Matt Kaye, WKIK Radio Station
Allison Swaney, WPTX Radio Station
Mike Stover, Enterprise Newspaper

There was a question and answer period between the Board of County Commissioners and the News Media where the following subject matter was discussed:

1. The newly appointed Economic Development Coordinator, Mr. David Morgan, was announced.
2. Ethics
3. FY 82-83 Budget
4. Redistricting
5. Ag Expo
6. Roller-Rink; Industrial Revenue Bonds
7. Pride in Tobacco
8. 1983 Sand and Gravel Bill
9. Candidates for election biographies
10. Filing for election/County Commissioners

(Commissioner Dean arrived at 1:00 p.m.)

COUNTY HIGHWAY DAMAGE
DUE TO WINTER STORMS

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

The County Engineer presented slides and discussed the damage to the County highways due to the winter storms. He also commented on the surface treatment of roads versus asphalt overlay.

The County Administrator was directed by the Board of County Commissioners to follow up on the possibility of receiving State aid for the winter storm damage to county roads.

RENTAL CONTRACT SERVICES
82-1-1 - ARUNDEL ASPHALT

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

President Aud made a motion seconded by Commissioner Arnold to approve final payment of \$2,625.45 to Arundel Asphalt for contract rental services. The motion was unanimously carried.

RENTAL CONTRACT SERVICES
SM-82-1-10

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

Commissioner Aud made a motion seconded by Commissioner Arnold to award the contract for road, roadside and drainage improvements along various county roads to Mr. Raymond Woodburn of Hollywood, Maryland who was the lowest bidder for those services. Mr. Woodburn's bid was in the amount of \$656.50 Addendum #1-\$669.00. The motion was unanimously carried.

REMOVABLE GOOSENECK TRAILER
SM-82-5-2

Present: John B. Norris, Jr.

The County Engineer informed the Board of County Commissioners that a Removable Gooseneck Trailer was bid for the St. Andrews Road Landfill. Because of the large number of bidders, the County Engineer requested the Board's authority for rejection of those bidders and be allowed to bid a second time. There was unanimous approval by the Board of County Commissioners for the County Engineer to rebid for the trailer.

WILLOW RUN
PAVING AND DRAINAGE

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

Commissioner Dean made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to authorize President Aud to sign the final plat for pavement and improvements in the Willow Run project. The motion was unanimously carried.

DISTRICT COURT RENOVATIONS

Present: John B. Norris, Jr., County Engineer

The County Engineer requested that a change order be approved for the payment not to exceed \$500.00 to Paul Dean for painting services; for payment not to exceed \$1,000.00 for installing a fire-shutter in the renovated area.

President Aud made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, that authorization be approved for those payments under the condition they do not exceed the specified amounts. Motion unanimously carried.

SPRING VALLEY SUBDIVISION

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

After a discussion regarding the extent of the County's responsibility in the Spring Valley Subdivision for drainage work, Commissioner Dean suggested that the County Engineer discuss the situation with Mr. Guenther and return with a proposal for consideration by the Board of County Commissioners.

IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT
HUGH ALLSTON, FENWICK MANOR

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

There was a unanimous decision by the Board of County Commissioners that the County Attorney check into the status of the irrevocable letter of credit for Mr. Allston/Fenwick Manor and follow through with his decision.

AREAS REQUIRING RENOVATION AND MAINTENANCE

Present: John B. Norris, County Engineer

The County Engineer updated the Board of County Commissioners on the areas requiring renovation and/or maintenance.

1. Lower level of Governmental Center for computer area.
2. Courthouse: Register of Wills and Judges of Orphans' Court. Space renovation should be scheduled by the Register of Wills Office. The space to be used in future is expansions.

AREAS REQUIRING RENOVATION AND MAINTENANCE (Cont'd.)

3. Air conditioning replacements and/or repairs in areas of:
 - a. Health Department
 - b. Control Center
 - c. Lexington Park Library

SPOILS DISPOSAL EASEMENT
ST. GEORGE'S ISLAND

Present: John B. Norris, Jr., County Engineer

Commissioner Sayre made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve the Spoils Disposal Easement for St. George's Creek. The motion was unanimously carried.

SENIOR CITIZENS ACTIVITY CENTER

Present: John B. Norris, Jr., County Engineer

The County Engineer informed the Board of County Commissioners that the proposal for the design structure of the Senior Citizens Activity Center is ready to begin. The Center would be able to utilize the Town's water and sewer system.

There was unanimous agreement by the Board of County Commissioners to authorize President Aud to sign the design agreement upon confirmation by the Budget Director that funds are available for that project.

ST. ANDREW'S LANDFILL EXPANSION

Present: John B. Norris, Jr., County Engineer

The County Engineer informed the Board of County Commissioners of the proposed expansion of the St. Andrew's Landfill and updated them on further requirements imposed. The County Engineer then recommended the Ballard Company to design the expansion of the landfill and requested authority to contract that company. Commissioner Dean made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to approve the County Engineer's recommendation. The motion was unanimously carried.

INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BOND

Present: Manning McKay
Tommy McKay

Mr. McKay presented to the Board of County Commissioners a development plan and requested their approval to proceed with a partial development of that project through acquiring an industrial revenue bond in the amount of \$1,600,000. The Board expressed agreement with the project and directed Mr. McKay to return with a formal resolution for approval.

ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND/POTOMAC RIVER MUSEUM

Present: Michael Humphries, Director
Museum Board of Directors

Mrs. Luanne Bailey, President of the Museum, informed the County Commissioners of the availability of a surplus vessel the Museum is interested in acquiring for use in transporting people to and from the Island. The County Commissioners gave unanimous approval for the Museum Board of Directors to acquire the boat for the purpose explained.

NO PARKING SIGNS
ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND/POTOMAC RIVER MUSEUM

Present: Michael Humphries, Director
St. Clement's Island/Potomac River Museum Board
of Directors

The Director of the Museum requested County Commissioner approval for no parking signs in the vicinity of the Museum to eliminate loitering and public drinking. There was unanimous approval of the request.

PATROLMAN G-11 POSITION
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator presented for approval correspondence from the Personnel Officer requesting authority to hire a Patrolman G-11 in the Sheriff's Department due to the position being vacated by Robin R. Russell on February 28, 1982. Commissioner Aud made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dean, to approve the request. The motion was unanimously carried.

RETIREMENT ELIGIBILITY
VOLUNTEER FIREMEN AND RESCUE SQUADS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The County Administrator presented for approval the retirement eligibility for the volunteer firemen and rescue squads. Notices will be posted in each respective organization for their members' approval and will then be returned for implementation. Commissioner Aud made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve the retirement eligibility for the firemen and rescue squads. The motion was unanimously carried.


EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Frank Gerred, Director, Office of Planning & Zoning

The Director of Planning and Zoning requested executive session with the County Commissioners and the County Administrator. The Executive Session convened at 4:00 p.m. for litigation purposes. The meeting closed at 4:45 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Approved,


George R. Aud
President