

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Present: Joseph Mitchell, Director, Economic & Community Development

1. REGIONAL TOURISM FOR SOUTHERN MARYLAND

Present: Anne Marum, Director, Chamber of Commerce
Lynea Bowdish, Tourism Coordinator, Chamber of Commerce

Also Present In Audience: Gary Hodge, Executive Director
Tri-County Council

The above individuals appeared before the Commissioners to recommend the formation of a Steering Committee from each of the three Southern Maryland counties consisting of nine representatives, three from each County. Mr. Mitchell explained that Governor Schaefer's has indicated that greater emphasis will be placed on tourism in the State. The three counties have been working together to set up a tourism program and is submitting a Plan of Action for each Board's approval.

Ms. Bowdish indicated that the tourism effort has received \$7,000 from the State, which is matched by local government. Additional funds will be requested for FY '89 to increase the State's allocation to \$10,000. A portion of the funds will be designated for a regional effort. Ms. Bowdish went on to explain the plans of the Steering Committee and the efforts that would be done on a regional basis in order to avoid duplication.

Ann Marum advised that the Chamber of Commerce is supportive of the Program.

During discussion Mr. Mitchell recommended that the Board take the recommendation under advisement in order to give the Tourism Advisory Committee an opportunity to make a recommendation on the Plan.

Commissioner Jarboe invited Mr. Hodge to offer any comments he felt relevant to the discussion. Mr. Hodge objected to the proposal for the reason that Tri-County Council has been actively involved in tourism for a number of years and that the Council has already begun a similar initiative in recent weeks. Mr. Hodge believes that since no discretionary funds are available in FY '87-'88, there is no need for immediate action on this matter. Mr. Mitchell responded that although discretionary funds may not be available, there are local funds in each of the three counties which could be made available for regional programs as developed by the proposed joint committee.

In conclusion the Commissioners agreed to take the recommendation under advisement as recommended by Mr. Mitchell.

2. FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDINGS

Present: Arif Ayub, Student Intern, DECD

Mr. Mitchell explained that correspondence has been received from Senator Milkulski's office regarding the possibility of federal offices relocating to outlying areas of Washington, D.C. Mr. Ayub reported that he has been working on this project in developing methods to recruit federal agency offices to St. Mary's County. He stated that he has a list of contacts and will be preparing a standard letter encouraging them to visit St. Mary's County for a tour and presentation about the County.

Commissioner O'Dell suggested that DECD put together a presentation for showing to contact people for the various federal agencies.

Mr. Mitchell was agreeable to this suggestion and advised that he would keep the Commissioners informed.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Present: John Norris, Director

- 1) PROJECT NO. SM 87-4-3
TOWNCREEK RETROFIT PROJECT
CHANGE ORDER NO. 1

Mr. Norris presented Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$2,210 payable to RLO Construction, which is necessary due to design revision.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to authorize Commissioner O'Dell to sign the Change Order as presented. Motion carried.

- 2) PROJECT NO. SM 85-4-10
ADULT DETENTION CENTER
CHANGE ORDER NO. 1

Mr. Norris presented Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$154,000 payable to The Davis Corporation which is necessary for the provision of additional floor area and plan alterations.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve and authorize Commissioner O'Dell to sign the Change Order as presented. Motion carried.

- 3) STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Norris presented correspondence addressed to the Department of Natural Resources advising that the County has taken positive steps towards correcting the deficiencies noted in the DNR's review and evaluation of January 1987. The letter indicates that the County will continue to improve its inspection and maintenance process of the Stormwater Management Program.

- 4) MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY
TERMINATION OF MD. RT. 520

Also Present: Joseph Densford, Assistant County Attorney

Mr. Norris requested clarification as to the maintenance responsibility of the last 500-600 feet of State Route 520. The State has indicated that it is not in their system and the County did not have it included in its official highway maintenance system. However, the State had performed routine and regular maintenance on the when they had responsibility for both the County and the State roads. Mr. Densford discussed the background of the Deed and the transfer of the property and indicated that the County had title to the right-of-way.

After discussion concerning the maintenance responsibility, Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to accept the portion of Md. Rt. 520 from its termination to the water's edge into the County's maintenance system; however, that contact be made to determine if the Stat would accept the road. Commissioner Bailey abstained. Motion carried.

- 5) LETTERS OF CREDIT
(PERMIT EXPIRATION)

Mr. Norris cited a recent court case concerning the uniformity of irrevocable letters of credit and the requirement that they be exact in detail. Therefore, Mr. Norris requested authorization that permit expiration dates be at least ten days prior to the Letter of Credit being due in order to insure the accuracy of the details and that it be effective immediately.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to accept Mr. Norris' recommendation as set forth above. Motion carried.

6) GARDNER PROPERTY
LOT 905 GOLDEN BEACH

Mr. Norris advised that the County Attorney has indicated that St. Mary's County has all releases signed by the property owner for the court-ordered work to be performed. The County is in receipt of a check in the amount of \$10,000 from the insurance company to perform the work. Mr. Norris stated that that amount will not be sufficient to complete all the required improvements and the property owner, Mr. Gardner, has requested the County to perform the additional work at his expense. Mr. Norris requested authorization from the Board to perform the additional work upon prepayment by the property owner.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to grant the request of the Director of Public Works as set forth above. Motion carried.

7) CHARLOTTE HALL VETERANS HOME
SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Mr. Norris requested the Commissioners for authority for him to modify the current application for the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to dispose of its sewage sludge at St. Andrews Landfill. The issues to be addressed include the volume of the sludge to be transported and the final disposition of sludge at the landfill. He stated that the sludge must be incorporated in top soil.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

PUBLIC HEARING
SOUTHAMPTON STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT

Present: John Norris, Director, Department of Public Works
Edith Parker, Southampton Resident
Charles Wible, SMECO

The Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the establishment of a special taxing district in the Southampton Subdivision for the installation of street lights in that subdivision. The streets to be included are: Southampton Drive from Maryland Route 235 to Brighton Avenue; Lincoln Avenue from Maryland State Route 235 to Brighton Avenue; Lincoln Avenue from Maryland State Route 235 to Brighton Avenue; Windsor Drive; Bristol Drive; and Brighton Drive.

Mr. Norris explained the establishment of the District in Southampton and advised that a petition was received with at least 60% of the residents. He stated that the annual fee in the District will be \$18.50. Mr. Norris further pointed that the lights should be installed in approximately two months.

Mrs. Parker urged that the lights be installed sooner if possible for the safety of the residents.

Hearing no other comments the public hearing was closed. A tape of the proceedings is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING
SITE PLAN - STSP#87-0013 - GREG PARKS (SSI)

Present: Frank Gerred, Director

(Requesting site plan approval for an office and warehouse building. The property is in the Industrial Park and contains 5.14 acres and is zoned I-1, Industrial. It is shown on Tax Map 34, Block 1 as part of Parcel 548.)

Mr. Gerred presented the referenced site plan and indicated that it has received all approvals and is recommended for the County Commissioners' approval by the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner O'Dell to sign the site plan as presented.

SOUTHERN TROOP - TROOP COMMANDER

Present: Lt. Richard Stufft

Lt. Stufft appeared before the Commissioners to introduce himself as the new Southern Troop Commander.

COMMENDATION - ERVA DAVIS

Present: Erva Davis
John Baggett, Director, Recreation & Parks

The Commissioners presented a Commendation to Erva Davis for her service to the community as one of the original members of the Recreation & Parks Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
John Norris, Director, Public Works

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to meet in Executive Session to discuss a matter of personnel. The Session was held from 12:05 p.m. to 12:20 p.m.

(COMMISSIONERS O'DELL AND BAILEY LEFT MEETING AND DID NOT RETURN)

TOUR OF OFFICE ON AGING FACILITIES

At this time the Commissioners toured two sites and the office of the Area Agency on Aging.

The evening session began at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM

The Commissioners conducted a public forum accepting questions and comments from the audience. Comments were received from the following:

Pat Woodburn (Long & Foster): concerning the sale of the St. Mary's Academy property.

Viola Gardner (Longview Beach): presenting a petition from property owners requesting additional roads to be included in the Special Taxing District.

Other property owners of Longview Beach

PENDING ITEMS

Floyd Williams Complaint

Present: Joseph Densford, Assistant County Attorney
Charles Mander, Attorney, Board of Appeals
Frank Gerred, Director, OPZ

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the results of their review of the June 15 correspondence from Floyd Williams relative to zoning of certain property in Mechanicsville. After discussion the Commissioners directed that Mr. Densford prepare correspondence for the Board's signature stating that the Board concurs that the allegations raised can only be addressed by the judicial system.

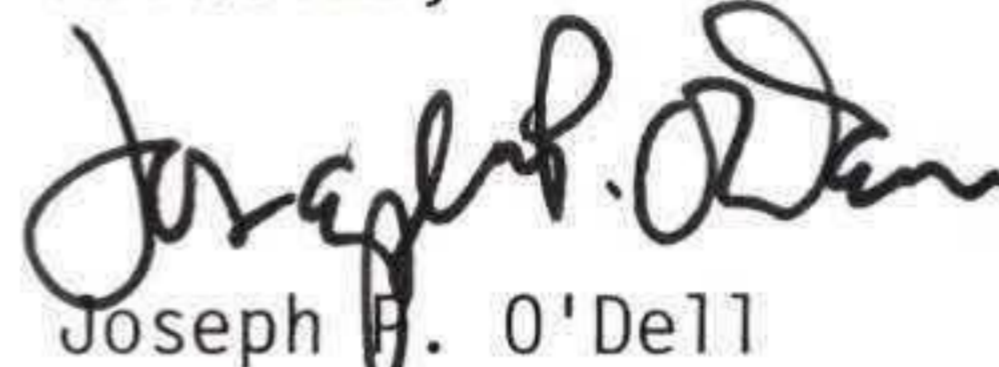
Sludge Disposal - Recordation on Deed

Commissioner Jarboe inquired as to the status of the referenced item. The County Administrator explained that the Assistant County Attorney is forwarding a recommendation to the Metropolitan Commission that a notation be included on a Deed that sludge has been deposited on that land. Commissioner Jarboe requested the County Administrator to obtain MetComm's reaction to the suggestion.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

APPROVED,


Joseph P. O'Dell
President

