

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Tuesday, December 4, 1990

Present: Commissioner Carl M. Loffler, Jr., President
W. Edward Bailey, Commissioner
Robert T. Jarboe, Commissioner
John G. Lancaster, Commissioner
Barbara R. Thompson, Commissioner
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Spalding, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:55 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, November 27, 1990. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

1) MEETING WITH SENATOR MIKULSKI

The County Administrator advised that Senator Mikulski is having a luncheon meeting on Friday, December 7, 12:00 Noon. Members of the Tri-County Council have been invited, and areas of concern of the tri-county area will be discussed.

2) MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR
FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE SERVICE

The County Administrator presented the referenced Agreement among Charles County Commissioners, Firemen's Association, Emergency Medical Services, Inc., and St. Mary's County Commissioners, Fire Board and Ambulance and Rescue Association for the Commissioners' review and approval.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Mutual Aid Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

3. WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

On behalf of the Director of Recreation and Parks, the County Administrator presented the following Waterway Improvement Fund Grant Application for approval:

Piney Point Coast Guard Station
Picnic shelter and ladies landings on existing pier

Bushwood Wharf
Pave parking lot and turn around area

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Waterway Improvement Grants as presented. Motion carried.

4. SOTTERLY MANSION
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET REQUEST

The County Administrator advised that correspondence was received from The Sotterly Mansion Foundation requesting consideration for \$10,000 from the county's supplemental appropriation for repair and restoration of three chimneys. Mr. Cox presented a response indicating that it would be best for the Commissioners to consider this request in context of other capital improvement requests for Fiscal Year 1992.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign and forward the letter.

5. PARAGON BUILDERS
ECONOMIC IMPACT FEE

The County Administrator presented correspondence responding to November 16 letter from Paragon Builders regarding impact fee for school construction.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter.

6. FY 1990 SURVEY AND PLANNING GRANT-IN-AID
ST. MARY'S COUNTY PRESERVATION PLANNING PROJECT

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated November 28, 1990 from the Maryland Historical Trust forwarding a contract between St. Mary's County and the Maryland Historical Trust regarding a \$7500 matching federal survey and planning subgrant for Phase I of St. Mary's County preservation planning project. The project is for the identification of historical sites and what kinds of protection they need, if any, in St. Mary's County.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the grant documents as presented. Motion carried.

7. RESOLUTION NO. W/S 90-07
WATER AND SEWER PLAN AMENDMENT
SOUTHGATE CENTER (SPEC #89-1293)

The Commissioners having conducted a public hearing on October 30, 1990 and held subsequent decision discussion, the County Administrator presented referenced Resolution No. W/S 90-07 approving the amendment to the Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan by reclassifying the subject property from W-6/S-6 to W-3D/S-3D.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution No. W/S 90-07 as submitted. Motion carried.

8) BOARD OF EDUCATION
LOVEVILLE OFFICE FUEL STORAGE FACILITY

The County Administrator presented correspondence to the Board of Education requesting them to review their decision to build a fuel distribution facility at the Loveville Office site. In that there will be a new central office facility and the transportation function would be moved to the central office facility, there is a question of whether a fuel facility should be located at the Loveville site or the central office site.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to sign and forward the letter as presented. Motion carried.

9) BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The County Administrator presented the following Budget Amendments recommended for approval by the Director of Finance with justifications as indicated:

No. 91-29
Advanced Life Support

To replace two cardiac monitor/defibrillators

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Budget Amendment as presented. Motion carried.

No. 91-26
County Administrator

Projected cost for the wells below and in the Aquia Aquifer.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Budget Amendment as presented.

No. 91-27
County Commissioners

Unbudgeted expenses for Oath of Office and additional funds for recurring office expenses; e.g., framed seals, etc.

No. 91-28
County Commissioners

To provide funds for County Commissioners' new stationery and envelopes, and routine office supplies.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign Budget Amendments No. 91-27 and 91-28. Motion carried.

(Commissioner Bailey entered meeting - 9:30 a.m.)

10) BOARD DECISIONS

The County Administrator advised that he reviewed previous decisions that the Board of County Commissioners had made from 1986 to 1990, presented a memorandum setting forth these issues, and inquired whether the Commissioners wished to readopt them as operating procedures and policies.

The Commissioners agreed to discuss this matter at next week's meeting.

SEATING ARRANGEMENT FOR BOARD

Commissioner Loffler inquired whether the Commissioners wanted to continue with the present seating arrangement or to make a change.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to leave the seating arrangement as it is. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Commissioner Loffler inquired whether the Commissioners wanted to change the method of selecting a vice-president or to continue with the current system of selecting a vice-president alphabetically each year.

The Commissioners agreed to defer a decision until 7:00 p.m. prior to the evening session beginning.

Later in the meeting Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to select the vice-president on an alphabetical rotating basis starting with "B." Motion carried.

ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS BOARD

Present: Kirk Sterling, Chairman, Electrical Examiners
Paula Martino, Chief, Permits & Inspections

Mr. Sterling presented proposed revised rules and regulations for the St. Mary's County Board of Electrical Examiners. The revisions include:

- requirement for exam and license procedure for a journeyman electrician.
- revised fee schedule.
- Reduction of examination schedule from four to two times a year.

During discussion Commissioner Loffler raised concerns relative to having a journeyman on a job site, which could cause increase in construction costs.

After discussion the Commissioners agreed to conduct a public hearing on the proposed changes on January 8, 1991, 7:00 p.m., State Office Building Public Meeting Room.

RESOLUTION NO. 90-22

BOARD OF EDUCATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

As a follow up to the presentation by Public Schools Facilities Coordinator, Jerry Himmelheber on November 20, the County Administrator presented Resolution No. 90-22 regarding the Board of Education Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 1992 - 1997.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and sign Resolution No. 90-22 which requests state funding for various public school facility projects. Motion carried.

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Present: Cynthia Brown, Director

1) INTRODUCTION OF ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION COORDINATOR

Also Present: Walter Biscoe

Mrs. Brown introduced Walter Biscoe, the new Alcohol/Drug Abuse Prevention Coordinator, effective November 28. The Commissioners welcomed Mr. Biscoe to his new position.

2) HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT AGREEMENT

Mrs. Brown presented the referenced Project Agreement for the St. Mary's County Alliance - Alcohol/Drug Highway Safety Program. for the period July 1, 1990 through June 30, 1991. Principal efforts of the project will include planning, public awareness, prevention education, traffic law enforcement, treatment, and project evaluation.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the grant application as presented. Motion carried.

3) INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TEENAGE PREGNANCY AND PARENTING IN MARYLAND

Mrs. Brown presented the 1990-1991 Application for funding for Local Interdepartmental Efforts to Address Teenage Pregnancy and Parenting in the amount of \$2,000. The grant funds will be used for educational materials, scholarships, and emergency fund.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the grant application as presented. Motion carried.

1991 LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE

The County Administrator presented the 1991 Legislative Package containing items submitted from various sources. He stated that the public hearing is scheduled for December 11 at 7:00 p.m., after which the Commissioners will take position on the items. The legislative breakfast is scheduled for January 7, 1991 at 8:00 a.m. at the Halfway House at which time the Commissioners will present their positions to the legislators. The legislators will then determine to submit the items to the Maryland General Assembly.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Present: Dan Ichniowski, Director

1) CHARLES COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr. Ichniowski distributed a handout setting forth the current status of the proposed community college and stated that a public hearing has been scheduled for January 22, 1991 at 7:00 p.m.

2) MARYLAND STATE ROUTE 237

Mr. Ichniowski presented correspondence addressed to the State Highway Administration setting forth issues that the Board of County Commissioners would like State Highway Administration officials to consider regarding the reconstruction of Md. Rt. 237.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign and forward the letter as presented. Motion carried.

3) SUGGESTED TOUR SITES

Mr. Ichniowski presented a suggested list of tour sites which included Adult Detention Center, Courthouse Complex, Building Authority items, Highways, Airport, Landfill, Community College, and Community Service Projects.

4) ACCEPTANCE OF DEEDS
ROAD RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Ichniowski presented the following Deeds and Road Resolutions for the Commissioner's consideration:

Esperanza Farms Section 12

Deed dated September 12, 1990 between Esperanza Farms Corporation and St. Mary's County accepting Bob's Court and Kristi Lynn Court into the County Highway Maintenance System.

Road Resolution No. R-90-49 posting Bob's Court and Kristi Lynn Court at 25 miles per hour.

Road Resolution No. R-90-50 designating the following as Stop Streets: Bob's Court at it intersects with Ash Court; Kristi Lynn Court as it intersects with Ash Court.

Carroll Manor Subdivision

Deed dated November 27, 1990 between Sussex, Inc. and St. Mary's County accepting Carroll Manor Road, Thomas Drive, and Shaw Court into the County Highway Maintenance System.

Road Resolution No. R-90-36 posting streets in Carroll Manor Subdivision at 25 miles per hour.

Road Resolution No. R-90-37 designating the following streets as Stop Streets: Carroll Manor Drive as it intersects with Golden Beach Road; Old Golden Beach Road as it intersects with Carroll Manor Drive; Thomas Drive as it intersects with Carroll Manor Drive; Shaw Court at it intersects with Thomas Drive.

Essex South Subdivision

Deed dated March 1988 between L & M Partnership and St. Mary's County accepting Scarborough Drive, Carriage Postway, and Essex Drive Extended into the County Highway Maintenance System.

Road Resolution No. R-90-51 posting Essex Drive Extended and Scarborough Drive at 25 miles per hour.

Road Resolution No. R90-52 designating the following streets as Stop Streets: Scarborough Drive as it intersects with Essex Drive.

Beechwood Estates

Deed dated October 7, 1988 between Israel Z. Swarey and St. Mary's County Commissioners accepting Part of Beechwood Estates into the County Highway Maintenance System.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Deeds and Road Resolutions as presented.

5) PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENTS/ADDENDUM TO PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENTS

Mr. Ichniowski presented the following Public Works Agreement and Addendum to Public Works Agreements for the Commissioners' consideration and approval:

Shady Dale, Section II

Public Works Agreement guaranteeing completion of Burroughs Court in the Shady Dale Sub-division, Section II, by September 1, 1991. The Agreement is backed by a Letter of Credit with First National Bank of St. Mary's in the amount of \$34,000.

Patuxent River Farms

Addendum to Public Works Agreement between Route 347 Realty Corp. and St. Mary's County extending the deadline for completion of improvements in Patuxent River Farms Subdivision, Phase I, to November 1, 1991. The Addendum is backed by a Bond in the amount of \$473,000 with Homestead Insurance Company.

Wildewood Subdivision

Addendum to Public Works Agreement between Paragon Builders, Inc. and St. Mary's County extending the deadline for completion of Smoke Hill & Cottonwood Parkway. The Addendum is backed by a Letter of Credit with Maryland Bank and Trust Company in the reduced amount of \$27,000.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Public Works Agreement and Addendums to Public Works Agreements. Motion carried.

7:00 P.M.

MASTER PLAN FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Present: Joseph Carroll, Selection Committee
Candy Chesser, "
Keith Fairfax "
George Kalnasy "
Bill Kemp "

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present a handout summarizing chronologically the activities of the selection committee and A Proposal to Develop a Master Plan for Fire and Emergency Medical Services for St. Mary's County submitted by Carroll Buracker & Associates, Inc. Mr. Carroll explained that the selection committee met with the Emergency Medical Services Study Committee, at which time the Study Committee agreed to accept the Selection Committee recommendation to select Carroll Buracker and Associates as the consultant to develop the Fire/EMS Master Plan for St. Mary's County at a cost of \$39,800.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to accept the Selection Committee's recommendation of Carroll Bruacker and Associates, Inc. to develop the Master Plan for St. Mary's County at a cost of \$39,800 with source of funds to be determined. Motion carried.

PACK #420 - LEONARDTOWN WEBELOS

Members of the Leonardtown Pack #420 appeared the Commissioners as part of a citizenship project.

ADJOURNMENT

The business portion of the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM

The Commissioners opened the meeting for comments and questions from the audience:

Louis Eberle - Requested installation of a light at the entrance to the Governmental Center off of Route 245.

Minnie Russell - Suggested the removal of campaign signs.

John Roth - Invited Commissioners to attend County Council of PTA's meeting on December 11 at 5:00 p.m. at the State Office Building.

Offered suggestions regarding Supplemental Budget. (Commissioner Jarboe requested that Mr. Roth put his suggestions in writing.)

Oran Wilkerson - Referred to various documents recorded in the Land Records regarding First Street and "A" Street and requested the County Attorney to examine them and report as to the superiority of each document and whether "A" Street has been properly released.

With regard to road improvements, indicated that aesthetics are important to attract people to the community.

Suggested that the County have an inventory of size, location, and expansions of marinas in the County and their effects on water quality.

Frances Anderson - Requested that the ownership of the strip of land at Town Creek question be resolved by next summer.

Expressed concern regarding issuance of temporary Occupancy Permit for Boatel California. (Commissioner Loffler stated that the Commissioners need to get a status report from County Attorney Densford.)

Jack Witten - League of Women Voters will be filming the public forums.

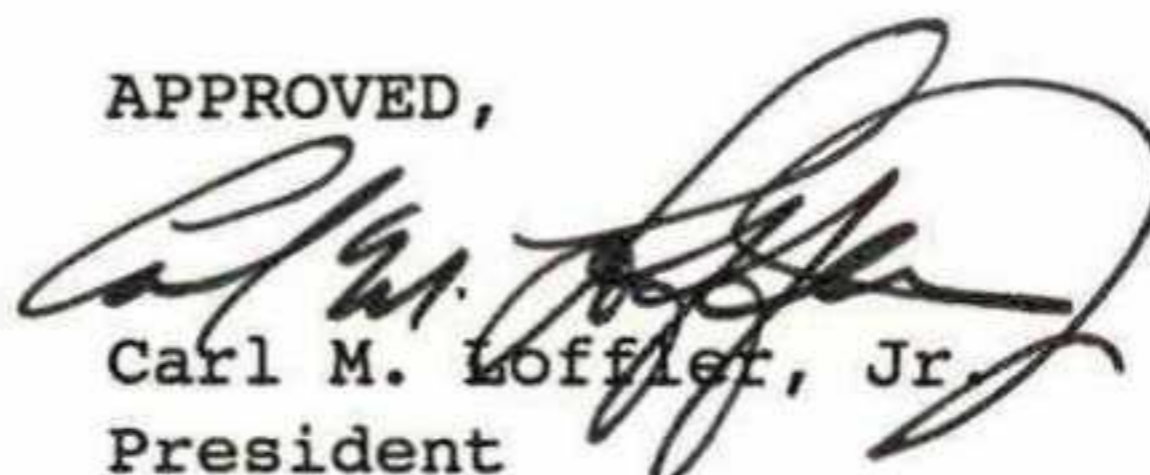
Indicated need for sidewalks and removal of barriers during reconstruction of Chancellors Run Road and Great Mills Road. Quality of life brings people to the County and keeps them here.

Discussed relationship between St. Mary's City and St. Mary's College and stated he offered possible solutions to St. Mary's College so that both institutions could live together.

Kathy Vettters - Stated that Indian Bridge Road should be improved before the Community College is completed. The road is inadequate to handle the traffic. Requested that the road be built to accommodate bicycles. Questioned why Indian Bridge Road and not Chancellors Run Road, which is already scheduled to be improved. (Commissioner Loffler stated that there will be a public hearing on January 22 regarding the construction of the Community College.)

The public forum concluded at 9:10 p.m.

APPROVED,


Carl M. Loffler, Jr.
President