

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**AUGUST 23, 1994**

Page 293

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, August 16, 1994. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Check Register as presented. Motion carried.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS**

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

1) **Response Letter - Saunders  
Civil Action in Circuit Court**

The County Administrator advised that correspondence dated August 11 was received from Mr. Edward Saunders relative to the sale of property at a tax sale and presented a response letter indicating that the civil action involves the disposition of property concerning a divorce settlement and that the County Commissioners have no involvement in the matter. The appropriate resolution of his concern is with Circuit Court and that he should discuss it with legal counsel.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter as presented.

2) **Letters of Appreciation**

The County Administrator presented letters of appreciation for the following:

To business who provided gifts/giveaways for Citizen Advisors  
Appreciation Night

To businesses/individuals who provided donations for Fire/  
Rescue Appreciation Day

To individuals who can no longer serve on the county's  
boards, committees, commissions.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letters as presented.

3) **Appointments**  
**Community Health Advisory Committee**

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, and motion carried to make the following appointments to the Community Health Advisory Committee with no terms.

Vivian A. Betton	Rona R. Harding	Ann Marum
Cynthia Brown	Francine Hawkins Dove	Kathy O'Brien
Lt. Phillip Cooper	J. Patrick Jarboe	Herb Redmond
Raymond Dudderar	Marvin Kaminetz	George Roberson
Frances P. Eagan	Joan Kozlovsky	Ella May Russell
Bert Forrest	Aleck Loker	Christine Wray
Joseph M. Gough	William J. Marek	

4) **Sludge Utilization Permit Applications**

The County Administrator presented the standard correspondence addressed to the Maryland Department of Environment waiving the County's right for a public hearing/meeting on the sewage sludge utilization permit applications for Chaney Enterprises property (SM 22). The letter reiterated the Commissioners' ongoing concerns over environmental safety and land records notification.

**Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to sign and forward the letter as presented. Motion carried four to one with Commissioner Jarboe voting against.**

5) **Community Services Day Coordinator**

The County Administrator presented correspondence, in response to an August 17 letter from the Secretary of State, designating Mrs. Becky Stevens, Community Services Coordinator, as the County's representative for the Sixth Annual Community Services Day scheduled for October 22, 1994.

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

6) **Response Letter - Hastings**  
**Draft Solid Waste Management Plan**

The County Administrator presented correspondence addressed to Ken Hastings advising that his August 1 letter relative to the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan has been forwarded to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for consideration. The return letter also advises that a joint meeting among the County Commissioners, Planning Commission, Board of Appeals and the Solid Waste Advisory Committee has been scheduled for September 1, and the Plan is on the agenda for discussion.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter as presented.

7) **Response Letter - Commission on the Environment**  
**Draft Solid Waste Plan**

The County Administrator presented correspondence addressed to the Chairman of the Commission on the Environment advising that his July 29 letter relative to the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan has been forwarded to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for consideration. The return letter also advises that a joint meeting among the County Commissioners, Planning Commission, Board of Appeals and the Solid Waste Advisory Committee has been scheduled for September 1, and the Plan is on the agenda for discussion.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter as presented.

8) **August 16 Business Breakfast  
Response Letters**

Relative to the August 16 Business Breakfast, the County Administrator presented correspondence for the Commissioners' review and signatures to participants summarizing the issues raised at the breakfast meeting and secondly, to appropriate agencies and departments requesting them to address these concerns.

**Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to sign and forward the letters as presented. Motion carried.**

9) **Response Letter - Candella  
Naming of Leonardtown Road**

The County Administrator presented correspondence responding to an August 3 letter from Jack Candella relative to the naming of Route 5 from the Halfway House as Leonardtown Road. The return letter explained the state's mandated implementation of the Enhanced 911 system by July 1995, county's process in naming roads (including a public hearing), and the appeals process for reconsideration of road name changes.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter as presented.

10) **Personnel  
Office on Aging  
Adult Day Care Program - Geriatric Aides**

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated August 23, 1994 from the Personnel Officer advising that the Director of the Office on Aging has requested the establishment of two additional Geriatric Aide, Grade 10, positions at the Ripple Center. The request is based upon the increased number of participants and the need to remain in compliance with State staffing requirements.

**Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve the establishment of the two additional Geriatric Aide positions as requested. Motion carried.**

**ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL EXPANSION AND RENOVATION PROJECT  
PROGRESS REPORT**

Present: Christine Wray, Administrator, St. Mary's Hospital  
Charles Wade, Director of Finance

Ms. Wray appeared before the Commissioners to present a progress report on the St. Mary's Hospital expansion and renovation project. She advised that the project was originally scheduled to be completed by December 1994; however, because of delays caused by inclement weather and changes in the brick order, the new completion date is now April 1995.

During her presentation Ms. Wray reviewed Actual and Forecasted Statements of Revenues and Expenses; Actual and Forecasted Discharges, Average Length of Stay, Patient Days, and Percent Occupancy; and Historical and Forecasted Ancillary Volumes.

In conclusion the Commissioners thanked her for the progress report, and she advised that she would keep the Commissioners informed of the status of the project.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Present: Dan Ichniowski, Director

1) **Yowaiski Mill Road  
Acceptance of Deed (Braun)**

Mr. Ichniowski presented a Deed and an Easement Agreement dated August 5, 1994 between Donald E. Braun, Jr. and Suzanne E. Braun and the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County relative to the construction of Yowaiski Mill Road.

**Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Deed and Easement Agreement as presented. Motion carried.**

2) **Kingston Village Subdivision  
Deed for Abandonment of Gross Lane**

Mr. Ichniowski reminded the Commissioners of action the Board took in 1993 for the abandonment of property at the end of Gross Lane. In order to dispose of the property the two adjacent property owners were contacted to see if either were interested in acquiring the property. Mr. Ed Long expressed interest in having the property and the other property owner was in agreement. Therefore, Mr. Ichniowski presented a Deed dated August 1994 conveying the abandoned property at the end of Gross Lane to Edward H. Long and Agnes G. Long.

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

3) **Extension of Autumnwood Drive  
Acceptance of Deed**

Mr. Ichniowski presented a Deed dated March 13, 1991 between Norris C. Pyles and County Commissioners of St. Mary's County accepting the extension of Autumnwood Drive into the County Highway Maintenance System.

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

4) **Hickory Hills, Phase I - Iverson Drive  
Acceptance of Deed  
Road Resolutions**

Mr. Ichniowski presented the following documents for the Commissioners' consideration and approval:

Deed dated February 12, 1992 between Mayjack, Inc. and Board of County Commissioners for St. Mary's County accepting Iverson Drive into the County Highway Maintenance System.

Road Resolution No. R94-09 posting Iverson Drive at 25 miles per hour.

Road Resolution No. R94-10 designating Iverson Drive as a Stop Street at its intersection with Barefoot Drive.

**Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Deed and Road Resolutions as presented. Motion carried.**

5) **Department of Natural Resources  
Endangered Species Law Review Task Force**

Mr. Ichniowski advised that the Department of Natural Resources has established a task force to review the State's endangered species act and that he has been asked to participate. He reminded the Commissioners that the Indian Bridge Road project was stopped by DNR because of the possible affects of the project on the endangered eastern narrow-mouth toad. Legislation was passed by the 1994 General Assembly which would allow the Indian Bridge project to go forward, but required DNR to review the endangered species act. Mr. Ichniowski reported that he has been requested to make a presentation on the affect of the regulation on the county's project.

Commissioner Loffler encouraged Mr. Ichniowski to take a "human approach" and that the state should not interfere with a project because of the definition of endangered species.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss matters of Personnel (Consideration of Appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions and a Personnel Matter), as provided in Article 24, Section 4-210(a)1. Motion carried.

**Personnel**

**Library Personnel - Salaries for Certain Personnel**

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

Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)1  
Time Held: 10:35 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Action Taken: Mr. Wade informed the Commissioners regarding salaries for certain library personnel, and the Commissioners requested additional information for discussion at next week's meeting.

**Personnel**

**Consideration of Appointments to Boards, Committees, Commissions**

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

Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)1

Time Held: 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Action Taken: The Commissioners discussed the appointment to one of the boards and agreed to not take action at this time.

7:00 P. M.

**PUBLIC HEARING  
911 ADDRESSING TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS  
ROAD NAME CHANGES**

Present: Jon Grimm, Director, Planning and Zoning  
Paul Wible, Chair, 911 Task Force  
Philip Cooper, Chair, Road Naming Subcommittee  
Other Task Force Members  
Connie Johnson, Road Naming Technician

The Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the renaming of roads in the 1st, 2nd and 9th Election Districts as they appear on the Official Road Name List:

The roads to be renamed, suggestions from the Task Force, and comments on the renaming are as follows:

**Beach Drive in Hay's Beach** - propose renaming because it duplicates the "Beach Drive" in Ro-Do Beach which has a greater population

Suggestion: To request property owners to submit petition to rename.

**Bennett Drive (County Road 30386)** - propose renaming because the turn off of "Bennett Drive" (County Road 30387) is a separate road and should have a unique name

Suggestion: To request property owners to submit petition to rename.

**Bramble Lane in Drayden** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Usher's Lane"

**Brown Road in Valley Lee** - propose renaming because it duplicates the "Brown Road" in Leonardtown which has a greater population

Suggestion: To request property owners to submit petition to rename.

**Clayton Marina Road in Wynne** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Miller's Wharf Road"

Suggestion: Miller's Wharf Road

**County Wharf Road (County Road 30392)** - petition received requesting change to "Dunbar Lane"

Suggestion: Dunbar Lane

(Minnie Russell supported the name change and reported that it was a family name.)

**Fresh Pond Neck Road (County Road 30404)** - propose renaming because the turn off of "Fresh Pond Neck Road" (County Road 30401) is a separate road and should have a unique name

Suggestion: To request property owners to submit petition to rename.

(Francis Smith expressed concern regarding county maintenance of the road if the name is changed.)

**Hattie Lane in Ridge** - propose correcting spelling to "Hattie's Lane"

Suggestion: Hattie's Lane

**Havirland Road (County Road 30362)** - propose renaming because the turn off of "Havirland Road" (County Road 30361) is a separate road and should have a unique name

Suggestion: Havirland Court or request property owners to submit petition to rename.

(Jerry Denton requested clarification of location of road being renamed.)

**Hollyway in Drayden** - propose correcting spelling to "Holly Way"

Suggestion: Holly Way

**Indigo Point Road (County Road 30327)** - propose renaming to "Piney Point Road" because it is an extension of Piney Point Road

Suggestion: Piney Point Road

**Jutland Lane (County Road 30818) off of MD Route 5** - propose renaming because it duplicates the "Jutland Road" and "Jutland Drive" off Beachville Road which have a greater population

Suggestion: Woodcroft Road or request property owners to submit petition to rename.

(Minnie Russell supported the name change to Woodcroft Road.)

**Knott Road in Take It Easy Ranch** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Take It Easy Ranch Road"

Suggestion: Take It Easy Ranch Road

**Lake Street in Cornfield Harbor** - propose renaming because the road has multiple names

Suggestion: Request property owners to submit petition to rename.

**Lancaster Drive in St. Mary's City** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Wood Road"

Suggestion: Wood Road

**Laurel Lane in Laurel Estates** - petition received requesting change to "Mountain Laurel Way"

Suggestion: Mountain Laurel Way

(Frank Dupuis - Supported the name change to Mountain Laurel Way)

**Locust Drive (County Road 30305) off Andover Estates Road** - propose renaming to the original name of "Locust Grove Drive"

Suggestion: Locust Grove Drive

**Morris Drive in Chingville** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because do not believe it exists

Suggestion: Ridge Path Way In that the road has since be located.

**Mr. G's Way in Valley Lee** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because do not believe it exists

**Mulberry Street in St. Inigoes** - petition received requesting change to "Mallard Lane"

Suggestion: That a portion of Mulberry Street be renamed to Mallard Lane.

(Harry Clark provided clarification that the area from Route 5 to the water should be called Mulberry Street and the right angle should be Mallard Lane.)

**North Mainway in Lanedon** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Lake Drive"

Suggestion: Lake Drive

**Old Route 249 (County Road 30824)** - propose renaming because inventory numbers cannot be used as road names

Suggestion: Request property owners to submit petition to rename.

**Piney Point Shores Road (County Road 30319) off of Piney Point Shores Road** - petition received requesting change to "River Drive"

Suggestion: River Drive

**Redwood Drive in Cox's Run** - propose renaming to "Redbud Drive" as originally recorded

Suggestion: Redbud Drive

**Riverview Lane in Dameron** - petition received requesting change to "Diamond Lane"

Suggestion: Diamond Lane

**Russell Road (County Road 30821) off MD Route 249** - propose renaming because it duplicates the "Russell Road" in Valley Lee which has a greater population

Suggestion: County Road #30821 to be renamed Kerwin Road  
Private Road to remain as Russell Road

(Zee Kerwin, Anna Long and Bernard Kerwin supported the road name change to Kerwin Road.)

(Linda Russell requested that it remain Russell Road because changing the name could have a detrimental effect on the seafood and water-based transportation businesses located on the road.)

**St. Inigoes Court in St. Mary's City** - propose renaming to "Rosecroft Road" because it is an extension of Rosecroft Road

Suggestion: Rosecroft Road

**South Mainway in Lanedon** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Lake Drive"



**Stokes Drive off Waterview Drive** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Walnut Grove Way"

(Because of a letter received from Mrs. Caroline Stokes, who had originally requested that the road be changed to Walnut Grove Way, requesting that it remain Stokes Drive, the Task Force suggested that it retain the name of Stokes Drive.)

**Tall Timbers Road (County Road 30822) off of MD Route 249** - propose renaming because it duplicates the "Tall Timbers Road" (County Road 30308) ending at River Road which has a greater population

Suggestion: Request property owners to submit petition to rename.

Betty Robrecht requested that the renaming #30822 would cause confusion because it is really a continuation of Tall Timbers Road.

James Duke recommended naming the "leg" of Tall Timbers as Old Tavern Way."

Lt. Cooper noted that it would be acceptable to leave the portion of #30822, from Md. Route 249 to Tall Timbers Road named Tall Timbers Road and to rename the southern "leg" of 30822.

**Thompson Road in St. George Island** - propose deleting from the Official Road Name List because it is the same road as "Indigo Point Road"

**Usher Road in Drayden** - propose renaming to "Usher Lane" as originally recorded

Suggestion: Usher Lane

**Vibbert Lane in Chingville** - propose changing to "Vibbert Way" as the road is signed

Suggestion: Vibbert Way

**Woodrow Wilson Drive (County Road 30444) off of Lucas Cove Road** - petition received requesting change to "Lucas Cove Lane"

Suggestion: Lucas Cove Lane

Other comments: Trig Blix expressed concern about giving names to a road off of road with a similar name.

Mr. Cooper explained that the word Lane, Way, or Court indicated it was a lesser road off a main road and was helpful for emergency vehicles in locating roads in a particular area.

Hearing no other comments the public hearing was closed. The record will remain open for ten days for any written comments.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Minutes Approved by Board of  
County Commissioners on 8/30/94

*Judith A. Spalding*  
Recording Secretary

