

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1995**

Present: Commissioner Barbara R. Thompson, President
Commissioner D. Christian Brugman
Commissioner Paul W. Chesser
Commissioner Frances P. Eagan
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Spalding, Recording Secretary

FISCAL YEAR 1996 BUDGET REVIEWS

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the following Fiscal Year 1996 Budgets: Board of Education, Residential Alternatives, Youth Services Bureau, and St. Mary's County Memorial Library.

(Commissioner Brugman left the meeting after the Board of Education budget review.)

ANNUAL REPORTS

Historic Preservation Commission

Present: Commission Members: Dave Roberts, Chair; Roy Guyther, John Cook, Virginia Cox, Michael Humphries, Leonard Kohl, Jr., Audrey Pratt, Jon Grimm, Director, DPZ; Jeff Jackman, Planner, DPZ; Elizabeth Hughes, Historic Sites Surveyor

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the 1994 Annual Report for the Historic Preservation Commission. Mr. Roberts reviewed the major accomplishments of the group including development of a proposal for the restoration of the Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church; the historic sites survey (completion of Phase I); and investigation of drainage problem at Newtown Manor. Problems and challenges included lack of funding and the need to educate the public. Plans for 1995 included continuation of Phase 2 of the historic sites survey; implementation of the county rehabilitation tax credit program and acquisition of "certified local government status" for St. Mary's County.

Relative to the Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, Dr. Guyther presented a memorandum from the Commission setting forth the proposal for the program and recommending that the Commissioners adopt a Resolution to provide such an incentive.

With reference to the "certified local government status," Mr. Kohl stated it would give St. Mary's County access to a pool of grant monies available through the Maryland Historical Trust. The cost to the County would be approximately \$3,000.

A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

Residential Alternatives for Youth Board

Present: Michael Whitson, Chair
Paul Enoch, Director

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the 1994 Annual Report for the Residential Alternatives for Youth. Mr. Whitson explained the background of the group and described the various programs and funding sources (including the tri-counties and through fundraising efforts). During the presentation, Mr. Enoch presented details of the programs and the benefits it provides to its clients.

A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

Tri-County Youth Services Bureau

Present: Sam Bauman, Director
Jerry Diamond
Mary Wood

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the 1994 Annual Report of the Tri-County Youth Services Bureau. Mr. Bauman highlighted the group's activities and plans for 1995.

A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

Board of Library Trustees

Present: Lynne Redmond, President
Mary Ann Chasen
Everlyn Holland
Katherine Hurrey, Director, SMRLA

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the 1994 Annual Report for the Board of Library Trustees. Ms. Redmond reviewed the accomplishments of 1994, projects for 1995 and challenges for the future. Included in the report were county public library ratings and book stock comparisons for catalogued books.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**Minutes Approved by Board of
County Commissioners on 3/7/95**

*Judith A. Spalding
Recording Secretary*