

December 31, 1963

Present: All commissioners, Mr. Oliver R. Guyther.

Trial Magistrate - Holidays

The commissioners agreed to speak with Mr. W. Loker concerning holidays for employees working in his office.

Health Department Heating

Mr. Bowles mentioned possibility of having thermostat put in second floor of this building so that the Board of Education can have heat when they need it.

Electrical Laws

This would be electrical laws concerning trailer parks. A hearing would have to be held, and an ad placed in the papers. Mr. Guyther suggested having the Middle Department of the Association of Fire Underwriters approached about proposing which of the laws would and should be adopted by the Electrical Board and approved by the commissioners. He will write a letter to this effect to Mr. J. H. Richards, Supervisor, 411 E. 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Public Wharf - St. George Island

Mr. S. Foxwell presented list of materials needed to construct this facility, and sketch of work to be done.

Human Relations Commission

Senator Raley reported by telephone that there were about 150 people who want to have Rev. Davis removed from this commission. The negroes do not feel that he is properly representing them. Senator Raley suggested setting up a meeting date to solve this problem.

Senator Brewster

Senator Brewster will be in Senator Raley's office January 10th, and the commissioners are invited to meet him. This is an official visit to the county by Senator Brewster and the party will go aboard the Naval Air Station.

Gambling Raid Restitution

Mr. Paul Bailey, attorney, was present on behalf of his clients, concerning the matter at the Sportsman Club at Charlotte Hall. These men have asked Mr. Bailey to propose to the commissioners that they be allowed to reimburse the county for the expense of the court cases involved. Mr. Bailey said he did not expect the commissioners to give him an answer immediately, but would like them to discuss this with their attorney and then let him know how they feel.

Mr. Bailey said this would help him a great deal if he could present this in court when these cases are tried. He said these men are not liable to the county

in any way for the \$9,525.00 involved, and are not legally responsible for the grand jury being recalled. This was brought about by legislation.

Mr. Ridgell asked if this request wasn't unusual. Mr. Bailey said yes, it is very unusual but he knew of nothing illegal about it. If these men wish to express to the county how they feel about what this has cost the county, he could see nothing wrong with this.

The commissioners will discuss this matter with Mr. Guyther and give Mr. Bailey an answer later.

Bond for Ben Burroughs

Mr. Donaldson will check the bonding of this former deputy. If we paid the entire amount we should be entitled to a refund.

Lexington Park Fire Department

Requesting two new face masks to replace obsolete ones now being used. The cost could be financed out of the emergency classification fund. The commissioners feel that this is a worthwhile request and granted same. Letter will be sent notifying person concerned.

Trailer Registration

The commissioners signed the resolution requiring all trailers to be registered by land owners between January 15 and February 15, 1964, except those trailers in trailer parks, as defined by the law. Commissioners reviewed proposed trailer registration forms and decided that same should be signed by the land owners. Resolution will be published in local papers for two weeks prior to registration period mentioned above.

Center Gardens

Mr. Donaldson reported that Mr. Cero said that when the federal government is leasing to a lessee and they are entitled to the credit, if the lease is over 15 years, the land can also be assessed in addition to the buildings. We have never done this. This is a 99 year lease and we can assess the land and buildings which will give us a large assessment. This could run this up to where they could not possibly have made a large contribution to counteract this.

Mr. Balinger said they had been to see the State Tax Commission and they had arrived at the conclusion that what personal property was owed was owned by the Patuxent I, II and III, so they would try to arrive at the amount of this property and he will take this up with Mr. Cestone today. He also wanted to know what progress had been made as to the abatement. Mr. Donaldson said we are waiting until they resolve the personal property taxes.

Happy Land Road

Senator Raley asked about this road and will be informed that the commissioners are concerned over this road and are sorry it was not included in the 1963-1964 budget because of previous commitments made before they came into office. They will try to work it into the 1964 - 1965 budget.

Library Bill

The commissioners agreed that the letter urging the Maryland County Commissioners Association to support the incentive fund bill would be sent, as requested by Mrs. Daugherty.

Commissioners Office Repairs

Mr. P. Raley reported that the floor in this office was in very poor condition. Boyd Home Service will replace same for \$120.00, and Scotty Hurry for \$95.00. Mr. Boyd said he can get the same tile, but Mr. Hurry said he is not sure.

Mr. Raley mentioned that the small outer office is wasted space. Boyd will tear down the wall and do wiring for \$100.00. Mr. J. Raley will be asked to come in and give an estimate for this job, also.

In the event the same type floor tile cannot be obtained, Mr. Hurry will do the outer office for \$48.00, and Mr. Boyd for \$56.00.

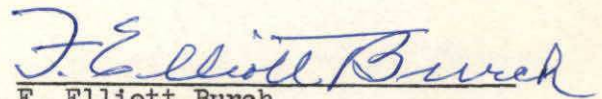
Typewriters

Mrs. M. Gibson likes the Allen machine she has been using. Mitchell Co. will give us 15% discount and the commissioners agreed to purchase same.

Civil Defense has requested a new typewriter and have money in the budget for this. The commissioners agreed to this request.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,


F. Elliott Burch
President