

March 24, 1964

Present: All commissioners, Mr. W. S. Donaldson, Mr. Oliver Guyther.

Radios

Mr. K. Abell presented bid received from GE for three radios, installed, in the amount of \$1725.24, not installed, \$1605.24. Mr. Abell said this has increased because the prior bid was on the 12 volt radios and not the 6 volt. Mr. Burch said he did not recall any additional money being requested to convert these kits back to 6 volts. Motorola is less on both the base station and the radios, quoting price of \$2190.00 for the base station, and one additional remote, and \$1710.00 for the three radios, installed. GE's quote for the base station is \$2225.70, with one additional remote.

Mr. Burch informed Mr. Abell that he had purchased four used radios at a cost of \$90.00 each, and these will be turned over to Gen. Hogaboom, who will decide where they are most needed. Bids left with the commissioners.

Dog Warden

Mr. P. Raley explained to the commissioners that Mr. Baldwin owed the hospital expenses for the birth of his last child, and according to reports has not been working at the shelter full time. Mr. Raley said he checked this out and it is true. Mr. Guyther said that Mr. Ward should inform the commissioners if this man is not doing the job and request that someone else be hired. Suggested asking Mr. Ward to keep a log. Mr. Burch will visit the shelter and find out how the other two counties operate.

Mr. Baldwin came in and stated that he has not sold many tags, and presented form used by Calvert County for people violating the law by not purchasing tags. He said he has the money for the sale of the tags in the bank and would have to get it in order to settle up today. He had 100 tags to begin with. He could turn this money in when he comes in to get his paycheck and Mr. Burch suggested this be done in the future.

Mr. Baldwin said that he had to remain with his children while his wife was in the hospital and missed two days work. Mr. Baldwin said he calls Mr. Ward every morning and each time he leaves the shelter, and also before leaving the Lexington Park area to ask if there are any more calls there. Said he follows this same procedure whenever he leaves any area. Stated that he needs additional dog traps as he only has one.

Mr. Baldwin was questioned about paying his hospital bill, and he said he could pay this a little each month. Amount of bill is \$88.00. He suggested keeping a log of his activities for each day and will bring one of the forms from each of the other counties so that Mr. Raley can exam them. He said he keeps a record at the shelter of the number of dogs picked up in St. Mary's County. The log forms will be turned over to the commissioners and Mr. Baldwin said he will have Mr. Ward sign the forms he turns in.

Wharves

Mr. M. C. Thompson, Mr. M. Pratt, Mr. D. Raley, Mr. T. Hall, came in to speak with the commissioners prior to a meeting with Mr. Manning this afternoon. The commissioners wanted information as to why the Department of Tidewater Fisheries has not given us any financial aid on the wharves that were built two years ago at Tall Timbers and Chaptico. Mr. Thompson mentioned that the commissioners had two commitments, on the wharves at Golden Thompson's and Tall Timbers. He said he felt that after a project is started the Tidewater Fisheries should not withdraw their support after they have stated that they would pay their share. Under the new bill, the state would pay 25% and the property owners 75%. Mr. D. Raley said that Mr. Matthews had inspected the wharves at Tall Timbers and Chaptico and approved the construction and stated that they were built to specifications.

Correspondence concerning wharves reviewed by these men and the commissioners, and according to a letter sent to Mr. Hall, application for same was disapproved on June 5, 1963, long after these wharves were completed. Application for these wharves was made prior to the directive issued November 13, 1962, and general opinion is that same would not apply here.

Stanton Guy Crossover

Mr. Thompson requested a letter relative to this from the commissioners giving him the authority to proceed. This will be done.

Sheriff

Sheriff Miedzinski and Mr. Charles Norris, stated that L. Millison has offered the use of a small building in the Lexington Park area for an office, at a rental fee of \$1.00 per month. There would not be someone at this office all the time, but each deputy would have a key to the building. This would be convenient for keeping various types of warrants, etc., that are needed and also could be used for questioning suspects. A small heater would be needed and the lights would have to be connected. Mr. Norris said that with the telephone, cost would be approximately \$15.00 per month. When asked about using the building Carver Heights, the sheriff said this was too far from the center of the Lexington Park area.

Sheriff requested money for two or three deputies to serve papers and the others could work part time at night. He said he had not appointed another deputy as he was waiting to see what would happen with legislation pertaining to the sheriff's bill. Mr. Norris said the sheriff's bill is needed but nothing can be done about this now. The sheriff said he hoped they could get two or three full time men, and might be able to work out something without going through the legislature. They now have four deputies, and Mr. Norris explained that the sheriff wants a full time man to serve papers. Mr. Burch asked why the sheriff would be requesting more men when he had not appointed a deputy to take Ben Burroughs place.

Mr. Norris said that Senator Raley was in accord with this, and that a full time man would take some of the load off the sheriff. The sheriff said that the

part time men just cannot get the papers out. When asked if he kept a record of the hours worked by the deputies, the sheriff said there is no way he can keep such a record. Mr. Burch said that if these men do not report the time that they spend working, how does the sheriff know how much they work. He suggested it might be a good idea to find out exactly how much these men are actually working.

Mr. Norris said that each man is assigned to a certain area at the present time. He stated that George Sanger does very little, and Bill Sanner does more work than the others as he has no other job to do. The other deputies are fairly active. A full time man would have to paid about \$4200.00, plus his car, if the county wanted to buy the latter.

Mr. Burch asked the sheriff to set up a record of how many hours the men work, and the above requests would be discussed with Mr. Guyther.

Mr. Ridgell and Mr. Donaldson reminded Mr. Norris and the sheriff that there is nothing in the law which states that the deputies are part time workers.

Tidewater Fisheries

Mr. Roy Rafter, representing Mr. Manning, Mr. D. Raley, Mr. M. Pratt, Mr. T. Hall. Mr. Rafter said that Mr. Manning could not attend as he had to go to Baltimore. Mr. Burch explained matter of wharves at Tall Timbers and Chaptico to Mr. Rafter and that the county had never received matching funds for same.

Mr. Rafter said that Mr. Manning stated that the BFW must have construction drawings, specs, and estimate of cost, prior to application, and that the funds for 1964 were exhausted. On July 1st, \$15,000.00 will be available for 1965, and this will be for the entire state. The commission will not approve an application in excess of \$2,000.00 for the state share, as this is the limit on each project, and the state share is 50%.

Mr. Burch explained that the previous commissioners had advised the present board that the wharves were being built and cost would be recovered in the amount of 50%. Mr. Rafter said he would present this problem to the Tidewater Fisheries but he has no authority to make a commitment. He will find out if the funds for 1965 can be used for projects completed last year. Letter read concerning these various projects. Mr. Rafter suggested that the commissioners submit any requests as soon as possible in order to be able to get these funds in the future. A firm and valid low bid is acceptable as an estimate if you present evidence of two other bids having been submitted. He said he knew nothing about the \$2,000.00 that Senator Raley said was available for these projects. Also said he did not know why Mr. Matthews would come down to inspect the wharves if they were not approved.

In future projects requirements are that facilities must be opened to the general public, and cannot be used in competition with private enterprise, and there is no provision which says this must be advertised. Mr. Rafter said that he would assume that if the cost estimates and the specifications were approved, this would be all that was necessary.

Mr. Pratt said there had been an addition to the Tall Timbers wharf amounting to about \$200.00. Mr. Rafter said he will contact Mr. Manning and will call this office by Friday, and will also ask Mr. Matthews when he can come down to meet with the commissioners. He was given copies of various letters concerning the wharves to show to Mr. Manning, and left with the commissioners a brochure illustrating various types of wharf construction.

Roads

Mr. Hall reported that Mr. Thompson is recommending that all roads be handled as Golden Beach and St. Andrews are being handled in requesting federal aid. Can use bond issue money on second surface treatment of roads if stated that this is needed because of weather conditions breaking up roads.

Presented list of 1964 Construction Program recommendations (copy in files), total estimated cost \$365,000.00. Estimated available funds approximately \$168,000.00. Mr. Burch suggested having Mr. Donaldson prepare a sheet of all estimated revenues and how much cash will be on hand before making a decision on whether or not we will participate in the 11th Series Bond Issue for the \$124,000.00 allocated to St. Mary's County. Decision will be made next week.

Mr. Hall requested additional funds for sanitary fills. \$1500.00 transferred from Parks & Wharves Account to Sanitary Fills Account, for this purpose, and check for \$500.00 will be given to Mr. Hall to take care of current needs. He will prepare a report of the exact amount it costs to maintain the dumps for a one year period and present to Mr. Donaldson next week.

Welfare Department

Mrs. Ripple reported that from 1958 to 1964, the step-grandmother of a child has received \$3,014.00 in ADC funds, and it has recently been discovered that she is not eligible for same. The woman is eligible for aid, but only under the GPA Program. As the formula of ten cents on the taxable dollar has only been in effect since 1961, Mrs. Ripple is concerned with the period from November 1958 to July 1961, and as a result of this error, the county must reimburse the state in the amount of \$565.75.

Mrs. Ripple explained that the money paid by the county to the ADC is a very small amount and that is why the county share would be 50%. Mr. Bowles asked why this could not be debited to one account and credited to another to make this balance out. Mrs. Ripple said this could not be done.

The commissioners will discuss this with Mr. Guyther and notify Mrs. Ripple of their decision.

Civil Defense

Gen. Hogaboom and Mr. C. Donaldson, presented check in the amount of \$1938.00 matching funds for the teletype. Reviewed budget and are requesting two additional men at a cost of \$6800.00. Requesting \$400.00 for restoration of

desk counter and accoustical tile installation at Control Center. Gen. Hogaboom is asking \$300.00 for expenses of the director, approximately \$25.00 per month. \$5,000.00 request for funds for Civil Defense would cover Items 2, 3, and 4, so that when a deputy director is hired only part of the salary would come out of county funds. Might also get the state to pay a portion of Mr. C. Donaldson's salary.

Mr. C. Donaldson stated that even with two more men, he would not have complete coverage of services. He can arrange to give men working overtime, time off in June rather than pay them extra money. Budget requests for the Control Center are \$28,800.00, for Civil Defense \$5,300.00, making a total of \$34,100.00. Gen. Hogaboom said he is inclined to put the personnel requirements ahead of the material requirements. He is going to inform Civil Defense that the Control Center supplements the need for a Civil Defense Center as well as taking care of the county needs. In this way possibly matching funds can be obtained for this. The hours worked under Civil Defense, that is.

Mr. C. Donaldson said that Wilmer's will not charge for any extra cost or mileage until all of the units are overhauled, but will charge \$8.00 additional per month for each unit added for maintenance after that time.

Mr. W. S. Donaldson informed Gen. Hogaboom that the entire office at the Control Center is scheduled to be under the Merit System when adopted by the county. Mr. C. Donaldson said that application for matching funds for salaries must be a quarter year ahead of time.

Mr. Burch mentioned the four used radios purchased and Mr. C. Donaldson said these could go to the Mechanicsville and Lexington Park Rescue Squads and the 2nd District Fire Department. Might use the other one in the rescue truck. Will check if the 2nd District needs a 6 volt radio.

The commissioners that Mr. C. Donaldson should have the top of the counter fixed in the Control Center at a cost \$175.00, with formica top.

Request for Time Off

The commissioners agreed that Mrs. B. Combs could have April 8, 9, and 10th off. To make up for this, she has worked March 5, 12, and 19th, all Thursdays, her usual day off, and will also work on March 26th. This request also approved by Judge Loker and the sheriff.

County Agent

The commissioners agreed that Mr. Ben Smith could purchase list of supplies presented (copy in files).

Register of Wills

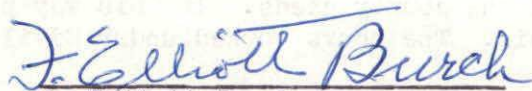
Will be asked to furnish the commissioners with a drawing of what changes are needed in this office.

Sanitation Commission

Mr. R. Dean will be called about money to be used for the sanitary district as to how much they want deposited at the present time. Will mention to Mr. Dean that the commissioners would appreciate a report of expenditures.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch
President