

July 14, 1964

Present: All commissioners, Mr. Oliver Guyther.

Dog Damage Claim

Mr. Burch signed for payment of dog damage claim submitted by Mrs. Alice Blakistone for seven pullets killed. Claim granted in the amount of \$1.50 each, and check for \$10.50 will be mailed to Mrs. Blakistone.

When asked his feelings about removing this law from the books, Mr. Guyther said this should be done. Mr. Burch said he will suggest this to the legislators when they convene in 1965.

Supervisor of Assessments - Retirement

Mr. Guyther reviewed with the commissioners letter concerning the retirement funds for the supervisor and two assessors. Mr. Herbert was called in and asked about this. He said he had information that these letters were being sent out and probably 80% of this would effect him. The subject of the letter was the possibility of legislation which would have the effect of giving credit for prior service to assessors and supervisors who were taken into the retirement system by Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1963. The liability would be amortized over a 19 year period. The purpose of such legislation would be to extend the same coverage to all supervisors and assessors on a statewide basis.

Mr. Herbert said he has 11 years that would be involved, as there was no retirement until July 1963. This would be retroactive over the period that has been served. It is his understanding that the county will pay for this and the state will reimburse it for 60%. It is also his understanding that the employees would not contribute to this fund if it is made retroactive, but he doesn't know for sure. Mr. Burch said he feels that this means that this would be amortized by the county over a period of 19 years, and Mr. Herbert agreed with this. He said his office has received no correspondence at all about this. He asked the commissioners to let him know their final decision on this before they answer.

Mr. Herbert said this could be broken down to find out what it would cost each of them, but before going that far, would like to know how they would collect their money if he was not here. Mr. Burch said this has been pro-rated on a state wide basis and whether or not Mr. Herbert was here would have no effect on this. Mr. Herbert feels this is to be based on the three of them and the amount of money paid in, and he would not expect St. Mary's County to pay some of the costs being paid to other counties. Mr. Guyther said it is presumed that Mr. Herbert would stay until he had 30 years service, and that each of the others would also stay. If not, there would not be enough money in this in the event the assessors did stay for the 30 years.

Re-registration

Mr. Guyther reported that he has received a lot of criticism about this program. Suggested having Mr. Donaldson get up figures as to what the cost of the old system was and what the new system is. He reviewed the new laws of 1964 concerning the re-registration. The new system will be an advantage in savings,

will bring the books up to date, and will eliminate the costly expense of judges going out into the precincts. He said that a release should be made to the public to educate the people as to the true facts concerning the registration, and this should be done by the supervisors of elections or the legislators, as they are the ones who introduced this.

Sheriff's Building - Lexington Park

Mr. Guyther will draw up an agreement for the building to be used as a sub-station by the sheriff's department. The terms of same will be \$1.00 for each three month term to be paid by the commissioners to Mr. Hiram Millison for use of the building.

Carver Heights Health Center

Regarding letter received by the commissioners from HEW, Dr. Houser said he had received no word that the GSA was dissatisfied with the use of this building. He said that a man had called him to say that he must submit a utilization report. Dr. Houser told this person what was being done and he did not seem displeased. He further told this man that he did not know about the deed restrictions mentioned in the letter.

Dr. Houser said that it was not his understanding that this building was to be completely occupied and there was no deadline given for this. This was to be done in a long range plan, and there was nothing said at the time the deal was made about using all of the building immediately. He also stated that nothing was said about going in and remodeling this building the day after it was given to them. The retarded children are now occupying one-third of the building, there are two nurses, one sanitarian, down there, and Dr. Hall will have her offices there in the fall. Dr. Houser said if the room that used to be the barber shop could be fixed up, this could be used by the nurses as the space they are now occupying is too crowded. He said they are not allowed to have any funds in their budget for improvements of this kind.

Mr. Burch feels a letter from the commissioners reporting the steps already made and those in progress, should be sent to Mr. Dollarhide. Dr. Houser will write a letter to the commissioners reporting same, and they in turn will write to Mr. Dollarhide.

Mr. Burch asked Dr. Houser to make a written report of what is needed so that there will be a basis for any repairs needed. Dr. Houser agreed to this and will work with Mr. P. Raley on this.

Dr. Houser also mentioned that the Health Building in Leonardtown has not had any maintenance of any kind, except a single coat of water paint in the waiting room, and cited repairs needed. He said the condition of the building creates a bad impression, especially as this is the Health Department. Dr. Houser will discuss with Mr. Raley the repairs needed for this building, also.

Matron for Female Prisoners

The sheriff will be informed by letter that Mrs. Buckler's services are to be used when female prisoners are transported to and from the jail, as this is part of her job. The sheriff had requested that wives of the deputies be allowed to continue this service.

Roads

Mr. T. Hall reported that Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Dent (of the Beavins Co.) plan to ride over all the roads on which FAP has been requested, and they were told that the Golden Beach Road should be first on the list. They said all the roads will be worked on together.

Mr. Hall said he will take care of submitting list of roads in the 11th Series Bond Issue program to the SRC, as requested by Mr. Brodsky in a letter to the commissioners.

Mr. Hall said \$75,159.91 is needed for the oiling schedule. He suggested giving him \$50,000 and he will work along with this and see if he can work a couple roads in under maintenance. The commissioners agreed that Mr. Hall be given a check for \$50,000 to proceed with the oiling schedule, Check No. 20075, Voucher No. 28682. Mr. Hall also given check for \$12,500, Check No. 20013, Voucher No. 28620, requested at last week's meeting for the oiling schedule. He said he also needs additional funds for work on sanitary fills, and was given check for \$1,000, No. 20076, Voucher No. 28683.

Mr. Hall said that the section of fence at the Willows Road dump should be replaced by the company who destroyed this when burning debris hauled off the base. Should also make these people pay for pushing off the dump as it would not have been necessary to clean it off again so soon. Complaint concerning Hickory Hill Road and road near Tennysons Store reported to Mr. Hall. Stop sign will be placed on the Rodo Beach Road where it intersects Scotland Beach Road.

Mr. Hall said he will give check in the amount of \$500 for grading Nicolet Park, to the Hardin Company. Check No. 20077, Voucher No. 28684.

Ground Breaking for Nursing Home

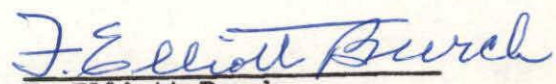
The commissioners left the meeting at 3:30 p.m. to attend this event.
Returned at 4:00 p.m.

Taxicab Permits

Mr. P. Raley informed the commissioners of the system Mr. Cryer is setting up so that a copy of all permits issued will be on file in the commissioners' office, and can be reconciled with the amount of money turned in.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,


F. Elliott Burch
President