

November 10, 1964

Present: All commissioners.

Civil Defense

Gen. Hogaboom, Mr. Otis Wood, Major Ellison, Mr. C. Donaldson. Presented request to send Mr. Wood to participate in one week's course in Civil Defense management in New York during the month of January 1965. The State Civil Defense Agency will pay 50% of the \$100 expense, costing the county \$50.00. Request granted.

There is a need for wiring the basement of the building to carry the air-conditioning load on the second floor, and this should be done prior to next summer. Would cost about \$500 to \$600. There is a hazard present in the present wiring of the generator, and they have been told to correct this by Mr. Mckeever, and it should be done immediately. Gen. Hogaboom said they can put the new generator in with the new equipment at a cost of \$150 to \$200. Total cost of the wiring would be \$700 to \$800, and this would take care of everything. This would eliminate using the dog house, as the generator would be in the building.

Presented letter from Mr. Tilp concerning construction of the new emergency control center. Discussed plans for same and Gen. Hogaboom feels they should be revised and an estimate made for the work. The basement would be constructed so that a two story building could be placed on top of it. He requested approval from the commissioners to ask Mr. Tilp to come up with a revised plan and estimates, to be presented to the commissioners. Gen. Hogaboom asked if Mr. Tilp could do this and be paid \$1,000, half of which would be paid by the county. Mr. Tilp has done a great deal of work on this project but has never submitted a bill, and the general feels he is entitled to payment for what he has done. Presented a revised plan by Mr. Tilp which still is not what Civil Defense wants, and reviewed same with the commissioners.

The commissioners agreed that the wiring as requested should be done and also Mr. Tilp should be contacted as per the above request.

Board of Education

Mr. R. King, Mr. H. Ocker, Mr. Dodson, Mr. K. Abell, Mr. R. Wigginton, Mr. O. Guyther, Mr. Kanowicz, Mr. Donaldson. Mr. Ocker stated they are in a position to realize needs and presented list of requirements. General discussion as to various needs in the county and additions required. St. Mary's County eligibility for funds under the School Construction Loan Program is \$1,037,000 and the entitlement might run as high as \$1,887,000. They are asking the commissioners to apply for \$1,212,000 from the program.

Mr. Dodson said we can count on five to six months from the time the architect gets the go ahead for construction to begin as bids must be gotten out, and about one year's construction time. The state plans to sell these bonds in February 1965. After the bonds are sold we would have to begin paying interest on the money. According to Mr. Donaldson, payment schedule is 14 years from the date of purchase. Four bond issues will be paid off by the year 1968.

Mr. King said federal funds are based on how many children are in the impact area, and to be eligible, the number of impact area children must have an increase that would equal 5% of the total population.

The \$288,000 from the federal government has been confirmed in writing. If the commissioners are going to participate in this, the decision must be made by next week, as they only have about three weeks until the application must be in Baltimore.

Mr. King said he feels they could hang on without additional requests for about two years if the county participates in the loan program now. If the county does not participate, this will not be lost, but will be added to next year's funds.

School Bus Transportation

Mr. King said the cost per pupil each year for transportation was \$40.18 in the public school system. St. Mary's County has the third lowest rate per pupil in the state. Mr. King will list some of the basic problems that would have to be solved if the parochial system was absorbed by the public system. He will discuss this with Mr. Randall, the state transportation man, and report his findings to the commissioners.

St. George Island Wharf - Bid Opening

Mr. R. Clark, Mr. O. Guyther, Mr. Donaldson. Bids submitted as follows: James Deagle, St. George Island - \$3,625.00, Steven Pratt, Scotland - \$4,286.00, plus \$100 for salvage material, total - \$4,186.00, R. Clark, St. George Island - \$4,550.00. Contract awarded to Mr. Deagle. Mr. P. Raley will call this man in to sign the contract. He will also find out from Mr. S. Foxwell the time of construction and ask him if he will act as inspector for the project.

Dog Claim - Watson

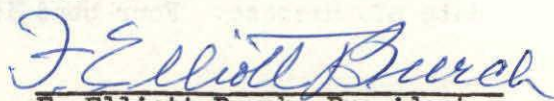
Mr. Guyther reviewed with the commissioners a letter from James A. Kenney, attorney, regarding dogs belonging to Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Watson, which were destroyed at the pound after being picked up by the dog warden. The warden had received a call from Miss Carolyn Clark saying the dogs were creating a nuisance. Mr. Guyther advised the commissioners that it is his feeling that they are not liable to pay this claim under the law. Mr. Guyther will write a letter to Mr. Kenney to this effect.

Custodian at Carver Heights Health Center

The commissioners authorized 20 hours per week for a custodian, cost to be shared on a basis of 20% for the Health Department, and 80% for the county. Rate of payment is \$1.27 per hour, and hours to be worked can be set by the Health Department.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,


F. Elliott Burch, President