Present: All commissioners.

Rescue Squads

Mr. Dodge, Mr. Bean, Mr. Rice, Mr. Garner, requested allotment be raised from \$1,000 to \$1,500 this year. They have not presented a budget, but prepare financial statements if the association requests same. They are making more calls this year, and if they are not granted the increase, their services should be on a pro-rata basis. The Lexington Park squad had 320 calls of the 594 made for the entire county. This year the UGF is pro-rating the amount of money to be granted to the rescue squads, and all the squads are going to request more money.

Mr. Burch suggested that the rescue squads work through the association as the fire departments are now doing through the fire board. Mr. Garner said this is being done and the association will make the request in writing, but they just wanted to bring this to the attention of the commissioners. He also stated that each squad negotiates for its own insurance. They tried doing this through the association, and there is no discount as these are emergency vehicles and the rate remains the same.

Mr. Rice mentioned the request for a piece of land for the squad in Lexington Park, stating that if they had a building to house their vehicles, they would have a driver on duty to send out any time. As it is now, this is done on a voluntary basis. Plat of land owned by the county in Lexington Park reviewed. These people feel if they had a building it could be rented to various organizations for meetings or social affairs, thus earning money for the squad.

Mr. Guyther came in later in the day, and matter of deeding land to Lexington Park rescue squad was discussed. He advised having the land in question surveyed to determine exactly what the county owns, and a deed written for same. The commissioners were in agreement with this and arrangements will be made to have the survey made.

It was suggested that a letter might be sent to the Rescue Squad Association stating that the commissioners have a request from the Lexington Park squad, and ask the association to coordinate all requests through said association.

Carver Heights Health Center

Mrs. Kurtz stated they cannot use the whirlpool bath donated to them as there is no hot water in the building. Mr. Paul Raley was called in and said that an estimate of \$700 was given by Smith's, Inc., which included the oil fired heater, installation, etc. Actual price for a 50 gallon heater is \$625.00. Mr. Burch suggested getting bids from several plumbers in the county for this work. Mr. Raley reviewed list of needs submitted for the Carver Heights Health Building and suggested getting someone to do the painting needed here.

Plainclothes Men

The commissioners reviewed with Mr. Guyther the request by Mr. Norris for approximately \$150 for such officials to come into the county to check establishments for service to minors. Mr. Guyther advised the commissioners they can legally do this as the law states they can appropriate funds for the welfare of the county. The commissioners agreed to appropriate the \$150 requested by Mr. Norris.

Secretary for Civil Defense

Mr. Guyther advised that the state police department has said that if the county would pay for such service until July 1st, then same would be requested under the matching fund basis. This person would work for both Civil Defense and the state police.

Roads

Mr. Gene Cullum said he will check the bridge on the Friendship Road to see if there is any immediate danger due to damage to the bridge. Will also check for places wide enough to make a turn-around on the Horse Landing Road. Reported that Mrs. Klear is not going to renew the lease for the dump in the Compton area when the present lease expires. However, she owns some additional land and is willing to lease this for a dump site, and a Mr. Taylor has agreed verbally to grant access across his property to get to this new site.

Mr. Cullum said he will try to relocate the yellow line in the Golden Beach area as soon as possible. Stop sign erected on Clements Shores Road and Bayside Road as of February 16th. Reviewed revised sign listing; will cost approximately \$1154 to signpost Route 5 from county line, Route 5 to Point Lookout, Halfway House to Ridge. Mr. Cullum will bring brochure next week so that the commissioners may review same. This could be done over a period of our years, unless there would be a large saving by buying in large quantities.

Mr. Ridgell mentioned that there have been no shoulders constructed on the Chancellors Run Road, and right of way has been obtained for this. Mr. Cullum will investigate. He will also place "no dumping" sign on <u>Drumcliff Road</u> where it intersects Route 235, as requested by Mrs. J. Capps.

Dog Warden

The commissioners agreed that Mr. Raley would call in Mr. Baldwin this Friday and relieve him of this position. Mr. Baldwin will be instructed to bring in the truck, keys, and other equipment. He will be discharged effective immediately, but will be given two weeks pay in lieu of two weeks notice.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch, President