

April 12, 1966

Present: All commissioners.

Jail Lights

Mr. Voorhaar and Mr. P. Raley. The former discussed matter of problem of proper attachment of lights in the jail cells. The present screws will not hold them and anyone can take them out. Mr. Voorhaar said the only thing he could see to do would be to use soft rivets in place of the screws, fasten them with a nut and solder them in place. The commissioners made a physical inspection of the lights and Mr. Voorhaar and Mr. Raley will work this out.

Trailer - Insley

Mr. Insley stated problem of wanting to bring a trailer into the county for his father to live in. He has a trailer on his lot at Sandy Bottom, which is about a three or four acre field. There has been a percolation test made on that portion where his father's trailer would be located and it is very good. However, the law states that more than one trailer on a lot constitutes a trailer park. Also, under the trailer moratorium declared the trailer must be on the lot by April 30th, and it is being brought up from the south. After general discussion it was decided that Mr. Insley would deed a portion of his property to his father so that the trailer could legally be placed there, and he would have the trailer in place by April 30th. (Mr. Guyther came into the meeting and agreed to above action.)

Building Permits

Letter from Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed, requesting that issuance of building permits be from their office instead from the commissioners office, as this would keep them and the county engineer aware of all new construction in the county and location of same. The commissioners agreed to this action and it will be carried out, effective May 1, 1966.

Lexington Park Association Assessment Appeal

General review of last week's appeal. Mr. Burch made motion to uphold the rate set by the assessors, seconded by Mr. Ridgell, and passed. Mr. Bowles voted no.

Roads

Mr. T. Hall reviewed construction program for 1966, and he will present final copy of revised schedule to the commissioners next week.

Mr. Hall was advised that the commissioners had discussed the matter of the Coleman Road with Mr. Guyther, and it was decided to construct the road to within 50 feet of the barn, and stop.

Reviewed maintenance budget and there is \$11,000 available for April and May. Mr. Hall said he will need approximately \$13,000 to skin patch until the June allotment is available. There is still a deficit figure as a result of the severe

snow storm. It was agreed by the commissioners that as soon as the March Maintenance Report is received from the SRC, the deficit figure will be paid to clear up the county debt for the month of March.

Tax Matter - Whorl

Mr. C. Norris, Mr. J. H. Briscoe, Mr. Cecil. Mr. Norris mentioned problem of Mr. Whorl as discussed at last week's meeting. Mr. Whorl bought a piece of property, the treasurer stamped the deed as having all taxes paid, then the property in question was advertised for sale for back taxes. Mr. Whorl re-purchased the property to keep from losing it and now feels that he should be reimbursed for the amount he paid, \$133.89. Mr. Norris also feels that he should be, but the title company will not pay this nor will the bank. A Mr. Meisner, former owner of the property, is really responsible but he has left the county. Mr. Cecil said he would have to check the books to find out what the circumstances were in this case and Mr. Norris will meet with him later today.

Gross Receipts Tax

Mr. Norris and Mr. Briscoe discussed bill concerning tax on non-payoff coin operated machines, which did not pass. Mr. Norris suggested that the commissioners change the resolution as now written for 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ % tax, and impose a set figure limiting the amount per machine per year. He feels this would give the county more revenue.

(Mr. Guyther came into the meeting). Above discussion was explained to him, and he agreed with Mr. Norris and Mr. Briscoe that the operators have not been paying the 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ % tax on the non-payoff machines. Mr. Guyther stated that the enabling act gives the commissioners the authority to pass a resolution for a gross receipts tax not to exceed a certain amount. A resolution should be passed each year to include the pin ball machines that will be coming into the county. This tax would be in addition to the license fee of \$25.00. The proper time to pass the resolution would be May 1st, as this is the time the licenses are purchased. General discussion concerning the amount and if it is set at \$100 this would cost the operator \$2.00 per week per machine. The commissioners will make a decision on this after further study.


EDC Business Prospect

Mr. W. Chapman read letter from the state EDC concerning revenue bond for a firm desiring to come into the county, and fact that they wish to construct a facility in this manner. Mr. Chapman asked if the commissioners want the EDC to pursue this further. The revenue bonds do not pledge the credit of the county, but are pledged on the credit of the company. This firm has developed a process to remove copper from scrap metal by chemicals. The county will not have anything to do with financing any part of the venture. The county EDC voted unanimously to pursue this and bring it to the attention of the commissioners. Mr. Chapman will arrange for these gentlemen to come in and speak with the commissioners about this matter.

Vouchers #25459 through 25483 approved for payment, and signed by Mr. Burch.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President