

July 5, 1966

Present: All commissioners and Mr. W. S. Donaldson.

Interest Bids on Hospital Loan

Mr. J. Marion Gough and Mr. Kennedy Abell present. Bids for interest for \$100,000 loan for the new hospital wing as follows: First National Bank - 4.05%, Citizens Bank - $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ on \$50,000, Maryland National Bank - 3.95%. Awarded to Maryland National for offering lowest interest rate. Resolution will be framed to this effect.

Board of Education

Mr. H. Ocker, Mr. Dodson, Dr. R. E. King, Mr. K. Abell, Mr. Kanowicz, and Mr. Orrick (Smeallie, Orrick and Jenka). Presented results of the bidding for construction of the Oakville Elementary School. Bids were higher than estimated and the Board of Education will need additional funds to construct the facility. Reviewed a letter from the architect stating that it seems to be the trend of the times for increased construction costs. Low bid for this project is \$403,803 from Chris Brown of Clinton, Md. Additional funds needed for a six room building are \$142,360, and for an eight room building, \$166,360. Dr. King asked if the commissioners would commit themselves to take advantage of the State School Loan Pool when it becomes available in the fall of the year. There is \$722,000 available in the Pool in November.

General discussion concerning the vocational technical center and estimated cost of \$1,050,000. The Board of Education expects this to go up to \$1,250,000, with the increase in the costs of construction. They hope to advertise for bids in the fall. The county contribution will be increased to about \$18,000, plus the \$136,000. The state and federal governments have stated they will increase their contributions for any reasonable amount if costs are more. The addition to Great Mills is estimated at \$850,000, but \$1,250,000 will be the possible cost. The Chopticon addition estimated at \$750,000 will probably be about \$2,000,000. On the Greenview Knolls addition, they hope that most of this will be taken care of by state and federal funds. Top priority is Great Mills, and Chopticon, and they hope to open these additions in 1967.

Mr. Ocker stated he can foresee the necessity of another local bond issue, as he cannot see all of this money available from the loan pool. We are speaking about \$2,500,000, and might consider asking the legislators to consider this for the spring session.

Mr. Ocker said that is the feeling of the Board of Education that there is no possibility of reducing the bids, as there is no indication of prices going down. They are asking the commissioners to consider raising the \$166,000 they will need. This would be in addition to the \$25,680 for the architects fee. The commissioners will study this request and give the Board of Education an answer as soon possible.

Roads

Mr. T. Hall, Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. D. Bond. Mr. Bond is replacing Mr. Hall as Resident Maintenance Engineer, as Mr. Hall is being moved to Charles County. Mr. Hall stated he has reviewed the construction program with Mr. Bond and has gone over all of his notes to bring the latter up to date with what is going on.

Check in the amount of \$16,000 given to Mr. Hall for reconstruction of Dixie Lyon Road. Portney's Overlook Road is to be constructed to county specifications and then it will be taken into the county system. Mr. Guyther is to do this as he is the developer of the subdivision. (Mr. Guyther came in later in the day and said that Mr. W. Wise has agreed to finish the Portney's Overlook Road by July 31st.)

On the Coleman Road, the barn is not in the right of way as previously thought, as from the edge of Route 6 to the barn is 4900 feet and the county took over approximately 4800 feet.

Happy Land Road, Christman Road, Noland, Nalley Road and Van Ward Road will be done in the oiling schedule. When Mr. Guyther came into the meeting later, he was asked about extending the Hodges Road without a survey study being made so that the extension can be placed in the system. He stated that this can be done by merely extending the area on the plat. He feels Mr. Pantaleo can do this, and then Mr. Guyther can write the description. Mr. Burch and Mr. Pantaleo will inspect this before any action is taken.

Tall Timbers - Mr. Pantaleo said he is having someone go over the entire area to determine what needs to be done here. There are two jetties and part of another one that need attention.

County Engineer's Secretary

Mr. G. Cecil, Treasurer, was called into the meeting to discuss the matter of Kay D'Esposito being moved upstairs to help Mr. Pantaleo. After general discussion, the commissioners decided to hire temporary help for Pantaleo, as this is an especially busy time in the treasurer's office, and Mrs. D'Esposito is needed there. Mr. Cecil stated that if he could have another girl in addition to the three already there, for the next 30 days, this would help.

Nursing Home Accountant

The commissioners approved payment to Colvin & Burroughs of \$2400 for services to the nursing home, and Mr. Burch signed invoice. Mr. Colvin will be asked to furnish Mr. Donaldson with a breakdown of the payroll period covered by the Social Security payments of \$1750.

Bus Contracts

Mr. Paul Raley reported that Mr. W. Raymond Quade and Mrs. Lillian Wood want to give up their school buses, and their respective drivers want to take them over. Mr. Guyther said this could be accomplished by Mr. Quade and Mrs. Wood assigning their contracts to the drivers, and all parties concerned would have to sign same. This would have to be approved by the commissioners. Mr. Raley will take care of this matter.

Vouchers #26262 through 26296 approved for payment and signed by Mr. Burch.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President