Present: Mr. Burch and Mr. Bowles.

Rummel, Klepper & Kahl

Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. Cox and Mr. Stansbury (from this firm) were in regarding the master water and sewage plans for the county as required under Senate Bill 335, recently passed by the governor. Mr. Burch explained that the county is in the process of getting a sanitary district in effect and this was being placed on referendum, and was at a standstill at present.

Under Senate Bill 335, each county must have plans prepared by 1970, and a resolution is required from the governing body stating that the county will undertake this master plan by 1968. Preparation of such a plan would take about six to eight months to complete. There are many counties who hope to avail themselves of the FHA loans to make the project financially feasible. St. Mary's County may be eligible for grants from the FHA, which are outright grants and not loans. A community of about 5500 is the most desirable size, and no county has gotten a grant yet as this program is so new.

The state will pay 76% of the master plan cost. The FHA will pay the balance if the county can show there are no funds available. In any event, the county would not have to pay more than 24%. This covers the engineering which is a survey of the entire county. This would be predicted into the future for approximately 40 years and a stage construction of the growth would be projected. The master plan would give an idea of when the systems should be built and what they would cost, and how much it will cost those people it will serve. This provides an orderly pattern of growth for the sewage in the county, and can be updated when necessary.

This firm is quite experienced in this field and presented reports illustrating some of their work. They have been very active in smaller communities who are involved in getting grants. They asked that the commissioners consider their firm at such time as they decide to draw up a plan. Mr. Cox said he would prepare a proposal for this work without stating a fee. General discussion of possibility of a study for Charles and St. Mary's County as they are so closely related.

Civil Defense

Mr. O. Wood and Major Ellison discussed contract with Mr. Tilp for design of the new building. If 8% fee stands, they will have to request matching federal funds for the difference. After general discussion, it was decided that the fee would be paid as requested, as it was reasonable for this type work, and a supplemental project application will be submitted. This was suggested by Major Ellison.

Mr. Donaldson was called into the meeting to discuss the matter of salaries for employees in the control tower. It was agreed that the Commissioner Personnel would be contacted and asked to come down and discuss this with the commissioners.

Roads

Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Burch. Mr. Bond presented list of roads that could be taken off the oiling schedule (copy in files). Reviewed report submitted by Mr. Pantaleo concerning Strickland, Frank Brown, Hodges extension, and Thompson Roads (detailed report in files).

(Mr. Bowles came in at this point.)

Reviewed requests for signs and speed limits, and resolved that the following action should be taken: "children at play" signs on Breton Beach Road at end of road to the left, and Finnacom and Riverside Roads. Thirty mile per hour signs on Graves and Mill Cove Roads, and curve warning signs on Finnacom and Mill Cove Roads. Letter will be sent to SRC requesting same.

Mr. Bond asked if the amount in the red on the maintenance account could be paid so there would be no deficit at the beginning of the year. Amount is approximately \$10,000. He stated that he spent less than \$20,000 during July and expected to save some money on maintenance while they were doing the oiling, and this would be needed in October as there is going to be only \$4,000 for that month.

Mr. Bond given checks in the amount of \$3,360 for the Langley Road, #26792, and \$10,837.30 for the Hollywood Dump Road, #26791.

Parks and Recreation

Mr. Guyther, Mr. Anders, and Mr. E. Curley. Presented application for the master plan for the development of parks and recreation. Total cost will be \$16,515, federal share \$11,010, Parks and Recreation Board \$1,000 in services, Tri-County - \$2,002.50, county cash - \$2,002.50. This plan will provide a program of parks and recreation for St. Mary's and Charles Counties. Mr. Curley said that the Board of Education is very anxious to utilize the schools as recreational centers. He presented booklet for Baltimore County to illustrate the type thing that will evolve from this program. He further stated that he is attempting to get matching funds for Nicolet Park, the White Neck Creek Wharf, and the boat ramp at Bushwood.

Vouchers #26766 through 26792 approved for payment and signed by Mr. Burch.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch, President