

October 25, 1966

Tuesday afternoon.

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

Roads

Mr. Bond, Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. M. C. Thompson. Mr. Bond reported that work will begin on the Golden Clarke Road in the morning. Mr. Pantaleo reported that the complaint from Mrs. Everett at Tall Timbers had been taken care of. Mark Pratt had done the work, but final inspection has not been made to determine any additional work that needs to be done. On the Potomac Shores Erosion, a plat will have to be drawn and a legal description written. After this information is obtained, it is sent with the petition to the state asking them to prepare the necessary plans and specifications. The state will in turn notify us whether or not they feel this is feasible.

Mr. Bond reported that the matter of the overhanging trees on Millstone Landing Road had been taken care of.

Construction program discussed, and Mr. Thompson said that a letter is necessary from the commissioners listing the schedule and how the \$400,000 of the 13th Series Bond Issue will be spent. Required letter will be mailed. Mr. Donaldson asked Mr. Thompson if we could use any of the state aid for the Maude Gardiner Road, and he said yes. He also told Mr. Donaldson that he thinks he could get the road approved. He said he was having some problem with the daily truck traffic but was still corresponding about this. Concerning our construction program, Mr. Thompson said this can be changed later.

Mr. Pantaleo reviewed specifications for the St. Andrews Road and Mr. Thompson said they were alright. He said that if it is under contract, there must be complete plans, but if done by force account, this is not necessary.

Mr. Thompson stated that each construction schedule should be accompanied by a cover letter and the check. He stated that in the future he wanted a letter on any changes that the commissioners make in the schedule. He said that the state had changed the formula on the bituminous concrete but not on the oiling.

Mr. Bond said that the Smith's Nursery Road needs more gravel but if it is put on it cannot be done until next spring. He stated that the road can be fixed in preparation for next spring and will be a gravel road for that period of time.

Mr. Donaldson reviewed the oiling schedule with the additions and these were verified by Mr. Bond and the commissioners. The original estimate of \$128,000 was changed and is now \$130,728.05.

Mr. Thompson said he did not know, or had not heard, anything further about the woman who would not sign for right of way on the Hickory Hill Road. He said they have never been paid as they could not get in touch with some of the heirs who had to sign the papers. He stated he called the state right of way department to get this matter straightened out, and he will check this with them again.

Millstone Landing Road

In view of the fact that Captain Lambing of NAS has stated in a letter that the navy will be using this road, a letter will be sent to Mr. J. P. Bradley stating that the county is denying his request that this portion of the road be abandoned.

Library in Lexington Park

Gen. Hogaboom, Mrs. P. Barber, Dr. R. E. King. Presented plat of the proposed new library building in Lexington Park, which will be in traditional style of architecture. Cost estimate of \$20 per square foot, which will be about \$200,000 for construction, and equipment will cost approximately \$30,000. The total estimated cost for the entire project is approximately \$260,000.

The commissioners reviewed the necessary papers to be filed for the Board of Education to give the land for the library. Gen. Hogaboom said they expect to break ground in the spring and the building is to be finished in approximately 200 days if everything goes according to schedule. The commissioners reviewed the required resolution, approved same, and it was adopted.

Board of Education - Construction Loans

Dr. King stated that the money will be available under this program, and loans can be gotten as they are needed each year. He said he would write to the state that the commissioners had committed the county for the \$677,000, immediate needs for this year.

E.S.S.A.

Mr. Anders of the Tri-County Council, reported that a committee had been appointed to come up with sites for this facility, an oceanography laboratory. This committee recommended four sites in Maryland: the old Army Ordinance Depot, land below the Chesapeake Bay Bridge (which Westinghouse is willing to give), state-owned land at Mattapeake, and Solomons Island. The latter is federally owned and would be available at no cost. These sites are going to be proposed to E.S.S.A.

Mr. Anders stated that many other states are trying to get these people to locate in their area, and some of them have proposed providing site, pier facilities, utilities, etc., in an effort to get the project. Each site will be evaluated the 1st of November. Mr. Anders presented description of site at Point Patience with information to be submitted to E.S.S.A. He said that if we want St. Mary's County to be considered, we will have to come up with some kind of package offering. There is no idea as to what this might grow into in the future, but Mr. Anders feels it will expand and could become the principle focal point for the government ocean research program.

Some of the things the county might offer would be free land under a long term lease at one dollar per year, sewage and water, and capital would have to come from the county. We would have to install the facility and the company would pay the operating costs. We might also offer industrial revenue bonds. E.S.S.A. would expect to pay rental for the buildings and the pier would have to be negotiated for use. The county could express an interest in providing suitable buildings for the program. Might approach the Maryland Port Authority about

participating with the county in the development of suitable pier facilities.

Mr. Anders said that this facility would not employ many people at first, but it may project into a much larger activity. There would be approximately 120 to 150 people employed at the beginning, most of them engineers and professional people. There would be 70 to 90 people employed fulltime in the laboratory. Mr. Anders said that he feels the most minimum thing the county could offer and still be considered would be free land.

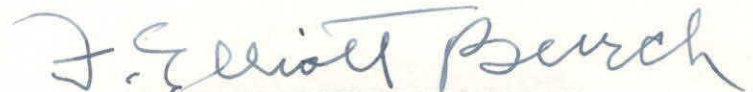
Beavin & Company

The commissioners approved final payment to this firm in the amount of \$1,380 for engineering on the Hickory Hill Road, and Mr. Burch signed same.

Vouchers #27518 through #27573 approved for payment and Mr. Burch signed same.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,


F. Elliott Burch, President