

January 26, 1967

Thursday evening.

Present: All commissioners, Mr. T. Pantaleo, Mr. W. S. Donaldson, Mr. P. Raley, Mr. W. Chapman, Mr. D. Gruber and Mr. W. King, auditors.

County Roads System

Mr. Pantaleo presented plan he has devised for the proposed county roads system, for the commissioners consideration. He read the letter of transmittal to the commissioners in which he states that this plan represents a minimum requirement for maintaining county roads. The program will be administered by the county engineer. Reviewed personnel needs as recommended by Mr. Pantaleo and duties of each.

There will be three roads districts, northern, center and southern, and an office in each district. Central location will be in Leonardtown at the Alms House property. Reviewed equipment needs, types of buildings proposed, and location of same.

Mr. Gruber reviewed finances of road maintenance and stated that amounts paid to the SRC for this service was as follows:

1964	-	\$253,000	1965	-	\$270,000	1966	-	\$265,000
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There is \$344,000 gasoline tax, and \$408,000 in other revenues coming in. According to Mr. Gruber, the basic cost of the plan as proposed by Mr. Pantaleo will be \$190,000. Payroll will run about \$187,000, materials about 40% of the \$320,000 total cost for maintenance, according to Mr. Gruber's projection. Mr. Donaldson stated that the reports submitted by the SRC, which Mr. Gruber used in his calculations, are not accurate, and the latter agreed to study his figures further. Mr. Gruber stated that there are other factors to consider and he hopes to have these figures a little more refined in the very near future. There is a possibility of a saving on construction, and some services may be combined with the sanitary district, as they will need the services of the surveying party for their work.

Mr. Gruber said that at this point, it is almost impossible to compare what the state spends for construction and what Mr. Pantaleo has projected for this cost. There is a definite commitment made for the maintenance, but so far as the construction is concerned, this can be controlled. If there is not an over expenditure for overhead, this can be handled at less cost.

Mr. Gruber was given an entire year's construction and maintenance reports as compiled by the SRC and he will review these and provide as much additional information as possible. Mr. Pantaleo suggested that Mr. Gruber also find out just what the state classifies as "maintenance".

General discussion regarding contacting comparable counties to see what it cost

them to operate their own roads system. Mr. Yoas of Carroll County, will also be contacted about this matter.

Vouchers #28313 through #28392 approved for payment and signed by Mr. Burch.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch

F. Elliott Burch, President