

March 14, 1967

Present: All commissioners, Mr. Paul Raley.

County Water and Sewage

Dr. A. Houser and Mr. W. Miles informed the commissioners that the money for the study to be made for this project can be included in their budget on a matching fund basis. The state and federal governments will pay approximately 76% of the cost, under the estimated minimum budget. Dr. Houser feels we should get this in the budget this year.

In order for any construction that may be necessary, the survey must be almost completed by October 1, 1968. State and federal participation in construction is 75%. Dr. Houser said that the Maryland has gone into the Secretary of the Interior, designating various streams that are or are not to receive sewage effluent, and they are now waiting for him to accept this.

Roads

Mr. M. C. Thompson, Mr. W. Chapman, Mr. W. Donaldson, Mr. Raley. Mr. Burch stated that the commissioners wanted to have a clear understanding about the procedure to follow when requesting work from the SRC, as there seemed to be some confusion as to just how this should be handled. Mr. Thompson said that the commissioners should write to Mr. Bond, and he, in turn, can contact Mr. Thompson for authority to do the work.

Concerning clearing the debris at Tall Timbers, Mr. Thompson said he was wary of this as a boat or motor might be taken that belonged to someone, and he felt this should be discussed with Mr. Guyther. Work could be charged to the sanitary fill account. Mr. Thompson suggested that St. Mary's County be included in the law which effects other counties regarding abandoned boats.

Mr. Thompson stated that there is no such sign designated in the manual as the "children at play" signs requested for various roads in the county, and the SRC frowns on using them. He also asked about charging the work for the safety precautions to be taken at the Leonardtown boat ramp, and Mr. Donaldson suggested this be charged to the Parks and Wharves Account.

Mr. Burch asked Mr. Thompson about estimate of Reeves Road being \$2,000, and actual cost being over \$6,000. Mr. Thompson said he did not understand this, or why, if the cost went over the estimate, the required forms were not filled out. He was given a copy of the breakdown of the charges and will look into this and give the commissioners a call tomorrow.

On the St. John's Road, Mr. Thompson stated that a \$300 payment has been authorized to get the remaining right of way on this road. According to him, this will ease the matter.

St. Andrews Church Road (Mr. Bowles and Mr. Aud absent)

Mr. C. Norris, Lcdr. Clark, Mr. Bond, Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. Burch. Discussed matter of

poor condition of this road and fact that there have been several fatal accidents. (Mr. Aud and Mr. Bowles returned.) Mr. Burch informed these gentlemen that engineering has been done to improve that portion running from the Indian Bridge Road to Route 5, but the other end has been left because of the road that may be constructed when the new bridge is built. (Mr. Aud left the meeting.) Letters were read that have been sent to the SRC by the commissioners requesting safety signs to be posted, and assured those present that this will be followed up.

Lcdr. Clark mentioned procedure of the school bus that is placed broad-side across the road in making a turn around, which creates a hazardous condition for the children on the bus. This should be looked into.

#### Erosion Control

Mr. W. Chapman reported that the law concerning erosion is being revised so that the state will pay 75% of this. Mr. Pantaleo will check the law regarding the method of requesting funds. Reviewed letter of recommendation from Mr. Pantaleo concerning soil erosion districts at Potomac Shores-Kloman's Subdivision, and McKay's Beach. He is recommending that letters be sent to the DCBA stating that soil erosion districts will be established in both these areas. The commissioners signed the letters and the people in these areas will be notified of the action that is being taken.

#### Roads

Request will be made to SRC regarding posting of speed limit on Woodlawn Drive, Town Creek, as requested in letter from Dr. G. Barton of the Town Creek Citizens Council. He is asking for a 25 mph limit, but 30 mph will be requested.

Letter will be sent to SRC requesting "no parking" signs on south side of Tudor Hall Drive running from intersection of Route 326, in a southerly direction to the Library Circle. A copy of the letter will be sent to Dr. Houser, with a letter requesting that he ask Health Department employees not to park in front of the Health Building. Copy of the letter will be sent to Mrs. John Fenwick.

#### Sandgates Sanitary Fill - Copeland

Mr. and Joseph K. Copeland, Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Raley. Reviewed plat of the area where the fill is presently located, and property being considered for purchase by the county. This property would be used to dump abandoned cars, and the present fill site would be retained for use by the general public. After general discussion, it was agreed that this property would be purchased for \$95 per acre, total of \$23,750 for approximately 250 acres, and the 7 acres of swamp land would be given to the county by Mr. Copeland. A lot, 347' by 200', in the northeast corner of the property will be retained by Mr. Copeland.

The purchase price includes 4 lots, 12 and 16 in Block E, Section 4, and Lots 11 and 10 of Block F, Section 4, of the Riverwood Farms. Option to purchase agreement was drawn, expiration date 120 days from date of agreement, and signed by Mr. and Mrs. Copeland, and Mr. Burch for the County Commissioners, and attested by secretary. Deposit of \$100 paid to Mr. Copeland. The commissioners will have the land surveyed and Mr. Copeland said he will not sell it for any less than agreed upon if the acreage falls short. He stated he would be willing to pay for the survey if he rejects the sale. The option to purchase deals solely with the option to purchase this ground.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

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