

April 3, 1967

Present: All commissioners.

Deep Water Port

It was reported by the secretary that Mr. and Mrs. P. Schafer, Mill Cove, wanted to go on record as being opposed to the port.

Parks and Recreation

Mr. E. Curley, Director, discussed application for funds for this department, and that the papers sent to the commissioners are based on their proposed budget, the major portion of which is to develop three community parks. The only federal fund available is the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is very limited. The first year's allocation to St. Mary's County was \$26,000, and this would have been lost as of Saturday without filing an intent to complete the application, and this was done. The rest of the information must be submitted as soon as possible. The second year's allocation of \$16,000 will be available until April 1968. This money is obtained from fees from federal and state parks and is not tax money. In Maryland we always assured of a bottom of \$10,000, but the increases over this amount can vary. They will know in September or October what the third year's allocation will be.

When the application is submitted, planning is entered in a separate place, but it is not necessary to have a plan, according to Mr. Curley. The land can just be allowed to remain as is. The funds can be used for acquisition, development, site plans, etc., and everything is classified as development that is permanent, such as equipment, etc. However, the money cannot be used until it is matched by the county. Maintenance is our responsibility and there is no matching money available for this.

Mr. Curley said the only justification for the budget is that if they do not use the funds they will lose them and there is no evidence they will ever get the money back. He stated they are trying to set standards, and will set some kind of minimum standards in their program design to see how large or small an area they would want to acquire. Mr. Curley informed the commissioners that they have paid \$10 for a 120 day option for the five acres of property at the Lexington Park Elementary School.

Mr. Curley explained procedure, stating they make application, and it takes about two months to get this approved. Application is returned with certification that the money is available, then they can proceed to purchase the five acres for \$6,000 at the school. They submit copies of the bills, cancelled checks, deeds, etc., and they will then get back \$3,000. Mr. Curley said they will also put in an application to get some money back on the Leonardtown boat ramp. So far as the budget money is concerned, they will not need this until next year. General discussion concerning the property at the Lexington Park school, and Mr. Bowles suggested to Mr. Curley that he make sure the property runs to the proposed street. Mr. Curley also mentioned that if some of the clearing is done by the Neighborhood Youth Corp, a portion of the money can be gotten back for this work.

The commissioners approve the application and Mr. Burch signed same. Mr. Curley

stated that a meeting has been arranged for April 17th, with the Parks and Recreation Boards of Charles and St. Mary's Counties, and the commissioners are invited to attend with their wives.

7 Gables Bulkhead

Mr. T. T. Pantaleo reported that the plans for this project are being upgraded and an engineering estimate will be made. He will check status.

Roads

Mr. Pantaleo said he will check progress of shoulders on Chancellor's Run Road and matter of right of way in drain field on Mr. Goode's property, which is holding up Strickland Road project. Will also look into right of way on St. John's Road.

Mr. Pantaleo presented report on status of St. Andrews Church Road. He is asking for help to complete this project, as it would take approximately two weeks for him to check right of way himself, and he would have to drop all other projects. He will check this matter with Mr. Donaldson in the morning to find out how much is allocated for this road, and then discuss it further with the commissioners tomorrow.

Mattapan Road signs are not up yet ("dangerous curve") and Mr. Pantaleo will check this, as well as the status of Riverside Road signs, Boothe Road, and curve on Fair Grounds Road, the latter re request from Mrs. P. Lopitz to have this corrected. Mr. Pantaleo reported that the drainage problem reported by Mrs. Laserre on the St. Johns Road is an old one, but he will follow this up. Camp Saysf Road will be investigated for possible reconstruction.

Trailers

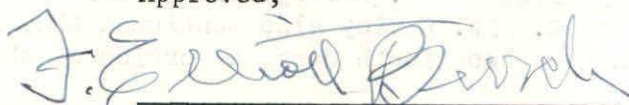
Mr. Pantaleo reported that some dealers are transferring trailers to property that has not been prepared according to the required regulations. There are also private trailers being placed without regard to the regulations. Mr. Guyther will be given copy of the trailer regulations and asked to discuss this with the state's attorney.

Office Partitioning

Mr. R. Peterson was instructed, via telephone, to proceed with the work of partitioning the room now being used as a conference room by the County Agent. He said he would begin the work tomorrow and complete it in approximately 10 days.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President