

August 21, 1967

Present: Mr. Burch and Mr. Aud.

Receiver - Sheriff's Office Lexington Park

The commissioners approved payment of \$50 for this item upon receipt of the bill of sale. Mr. Clarence Dodge, Justice of the Peace, informed the secretary he will furnish same as soon as he pays for the radio.

Patuxent River Bridge

Mr. W. Anders, Tri-County Council, and Mr. Pantaleo. Mr. Anders mentioned that the navy has not taken any position regarding the location of the bridge, but it is the general feeling that they will object to the proposed locations. The navy is preparing a report to be submitted at the hearing on October 1st. The Maryland Port Authority, according to Mr. Anders, is not going to take any formal action at the hearing either for or against the project, and it is their recommendation that a high level bridge be constructed.

Mr. Anders stated that it is Tri-County's feeling that they should meet with a high level official and find out just what the navy's position is as to location, height, etc. Location at Point Patience is unfavorable to the Solomons Ordinance Station, but the one at Town Point is not. If the bridge is located further south, the navy would object as it would interfere with the flight patterns on the base. Mr. Burch stated that if either location interferes with the navy, this should be given a great deal of consideration. So far as Calvert County is concerned, we could have a meeting with them and come to a mutual understanding as to where the bridge should be located.

Mr. Anders stated that according to Mr. Grubbe, the navy would prefer to have the bridge located further up stream. Mr. Burch suggested waiting until October 1st, to see how the navy actually feels and what they have to say. Mr. Aud and Mr. Anders agreed this would be the best policy, as there has not actually been anything from the navy in writing on the subject. Mr. Anders did suggest that it would be helpful if the commissioners would take a general position as to what they would like to see, such as a high level bridge, and one that would not interfere with the navy or Solomons Island. This would allow some guidelines in discussions with the navy. He urged that the commissioners write a letter to this effect and take a definite position, then go to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy and other high officials rather than the officers on the base.

Mr. Anders will meet with Calvert County and see what their feeling is, and will then contact Mr. Burch. Further stated he would get an opinion from Charles County, even though the bridge does not immediately effect them.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch

F. Elliott Burch, President