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

County Insurance

Mr. Donaldson discussed matter of possibility of carrying joint insurance with the Board of Education, and presented letter the Insurance Buyers Council noting how this could be accomplished. He said that this action would result in better insurance rates for the county, at a savings of approximately 10%. This is the workmen's compensation aspect of the insurance coverage. Mr. Donaldson will investigate and furnish the commissioners with definite figures as to what the actual lump sum savings will be.

Tri-County Savings

Mr. Donaldson reported that the account with this institution will be withdrawn down to \$15,000, as this is all that is covered by insurance, and the approximately \$104,000 withdrawn will be offered for bids for interest for deposit. Mr. Burch suggested that Mr. Donaldson get the bids in so that when the money is available on October 15th, it can be deposited immediately.

New Merit System Positions

Mr. Donaldson reviewed job descriptions furnished by the state, for assistant to Mr. Pantaleo. This person would be classified as draftsman and surveyor. Also reviewed position description for Accountant III, for person who would be working with the Director of Finance. General discussion and Mr. Donaldson said the accountant would be hired with the understanding that he would be on a one year probationary training period.

Day Care Center Transportation

Dr. R. King came into the meeting to discuss the matter of transportation for the Day Care Center in operation in the basement of Holy Face Church in Great Mills. He stated that there are three buses that might be used for this purpose, but he will discuss this with Mr. S. Schrader and give the commissioners an answer tomorrow.

Insurance

Mr. Burch asked Dr. King about the insurance as discussed this morning with Mr. Donaldson, and Dr. King said he did not know what the savings would be if the Board of Education and the county insurance is combined. He suggested that the Board of Education give the commissioners a report on the study made by the Insurance Buyers Council concerning this, and this was agreed.

Oyster Day

The commissioners agreed that October 7th should be proclaimed as "Oyster Day" in the county, and Mr. Burch signed proclamation to that effect.

Roads

Mr. P. Raley present. Mr. Pantaleo discussed matter of job description sent by the state for his assistant. He said this man would take care of all the surveys, platting right of way, etc., and would be especially needed if the county takes over the roads. He would like to get someone right now and get organized, and so far as the roads building is concerned, feels we could get started on this in about a month's time.

7 Gables Bulkhead - Mr. Pantaleo reported that Mr. M. C. Thompson has designated a man named J. Dumphy to inspect this project, and he is hoping it would not cost the county anything if it was done this way.

Mr. Burch, Mr. E. Burroughs and Mr. Pantaleo are to meet at the Mechanicsville Pond to discuss how to best handle cleaning of same. One suggestion was to pump the water out rather than release it in a flood, and this will have to be decided. Mr. Pantaleo mentioned that arrangements have been made to take care of the fish.

The commissioners agreed that Mr. Pantaleo should speak with Mr. J. Capps regarding appraising the property owned by Mr. M. C. Thompson at the St. George Island porposed ramp site.

Airport

Mr. Pantaleo said he recommends that the county not sign the contract with Rader and Associates, as it is written, as he feels money can be saved. This firm will be sub-contracting surveying work, soil borings, etc., and will be charging the county 100% over the cost for this work. Mr. Pantaleo feels that the county can get these things done at a lesser cost.

Public Transportation

Mr. P. Raley discussed briefly matter of this service in the tri-county area, and stated that the people concerned with it will be in to meet with the commissioners tomorrow at the regular meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

. Elliott Burch, President