

July 2, 1968

Present: F. Elliott Burch
J. Wilmer Bowles
George R. Aud
David Williams

Meeting convened at 10:30 a.m.

Airport

Mr. C. Norris, Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. L. Starling and Mr. Latham. Mr. Starling reviewed land needed for this facility, stating they are asking \$300 per acre for the entire tract of land of 67 acres. He said they will give the county the area for the road, and would like to see the stakes set where the road is to be located. There was some discussion on this, and Mr. Starling said they are not satisfied with the proposed location of the road. Mr. Pantaleo and Mr. Norris spoke with Rader Associates on the telephone and they are going to try to reverse the location of the terminal area of the airstrip and put the access to the north of the property in question.

Mr. H. Wilkerson, surveyor, came into the meeting. Mr. Pantaleo computed area being considered and there is 22.09 acres in the portion that will actually be used for the airstrip. Mr. Starling said that the surveyor can proceed to get the description of the property for the 22.09 parcel and the 50' right of way for the road. Mr. Wilkerson will also draw up meets and bounds and Mr. Williams will draft the legal description for the properties involved that came from M. Dean. Mr. Starling said he will present this to Mr. Waldschmidt and advise the Commissioners of his decision in this matter. He will present figure of \$5,500 for the property to Mr. Waldschmidt. Mr. Starling and Mr. Latham left the meeting.

Mr. Norris mentioned that if the Nimmerichter property cannot be purchased this will have to be condemned and these proceedings should be started immediately. It was suggested that Mr. Nimmerichter be approached as was Mr. Starling and ask for an easement for the area needed and perhaps this man will be willing to do this.

County Agent

Mr. B. Smith introduced Mr. Daniel Donnelly who will be working with the extension service, and stated that his office is now at full staff.

Metropolitan Commission

Mr. C. Merchant, Mr. W. Miles and Adm. T. B. Clark. Mr. Merchant stated that they are going to make another application for survey money, and the funds are available at no interest. They are being considered for planning; will still be within the area of the present sanitary district, south of the base. This will give them a master plan and will be helpful in the zoning of the county when this is settled. The plan will also enable them to request that developers follow the plan as it will be drawn. It will cost \$123,000 for the survey as estimated by the engineers. Adm. Clark said they will need the approval of the Commissioners so that they can go to the Planning and Zoning Commission with this. All they need is a letter stating that this is not in conflict with the master plan for the county. It was agreed that the request will be submitted to the Commissioners in writing so they in turn can send it to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Regarding the Piney Point sanitary district, Mr. Merchant said that this should be considered by the Commissioners. They have more power to stop people from doing things improperly if they have a sanitary district. Adm. Clark said that the Metropolitan Commission should be able to handle every sanitary district in the entire county, but that do not have a full staff now.

Roads

Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. L. Millison, Mr. C. Norris and Mr. Bond. Mr. Millison said that Mr. Pantaleo and Mr. Miles spoke with him about the proposed FDR Blvd. He had Mr. Moore draw up a plat showing the area in question and how this road could be cut through. Mr. Millison asked about a 24' road and if could dedicate some of the road and the other adjacent property owners be asked to dedicate some of it. If there is some instance where the Commissioners cannot get the property from the other owners, then Mr. Millison said he will provide the land. Mr. Millison said he would like to have a letter from the Commissioners if they are agreeable to having a road come through here, stating that is the intention of the Commissioners to build the road. The Commissioners will consider Mr. Millison's proposal and let him know their decision. Mr. Millison and Mr. Norris left the meeting.

Mr. Bond reviewed letter from Mr. Pantaleo regarding drainage problem at Clayton's Marina on Millers Wharf Road. Mr. Clayton wants to put pipe through the drainage ditch and cover this up so he can build on it. Mr. Bond told him he could not do this and he would have to come to the Commissioners about it. Mr. Williams said he feels that this has to be approved by the Department of Water Resources, as this would be effecting natural drainage. Mr. Bond said that Mr. Clayton will put the pipe in but wants the county to pay for it.

Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo will inspect bridge at Horse Landing to determine what can be done to repair the bridge.

General discussion concerning the maintenance account and fact that the latest report indicates a \$94,000 deficit in funds. Mr. Donaldson came into the meeting and advised that nothing be done about this until such time as this matter is corrected, as there is a difference in Mr. Bond's figures and the figures from the Baltimore Office. Mr. Donaldson feels that there different amounts charged for the various kinds of work.

Mr. Bond reported they have 100 men on the payroll. Mr. Donaldson asked for permission from the Commissioners to demand that we receive copies of everything that is charged to our account, that goes to Baltimore. Mr. Tate will be asked to come down to discuss this with the Commissioners.

Mr. Bond said he has the oiling application completed and now needs confirmation from the Commissioners. \$105,920.21 is the total amount of the oiling schedule. Mr. Pantaleo said this would come out of the 15th series bond issue, but Mr. Donaldson said there was not going to be a 15th series, and the Commissioners have not received any information about what would be allocated to the county. Mr. Bond will ask Mr. Tate if he can begin oiling the roads before the Commissioners advance any money.

Mr. Pantaleo reported complaint from Mr. Walter Thomas, St. George Island, regarding drainage problem of stagnant water standing in ditch. This was given to Mr. Bond for his attention.

Alcoholics Bev. Bd.

Gen. Peabody said that regarding the money allowed for inspectors, which was \$360 per month, they have 115 tours of inspection and as a result they were \$12 under the limit of money allowed. Gen. Peabody said he has been using two men working at odd times during the week and the other members of the board did not know about this. He feels that for the \$30 spend they got good results. He is asking for \$1500 in the budget to continue this work, as he feels it is serving a useful purpose. As a result of the inspections, the tavern owners are checking all ID cards, and he stated that the members of the board take turns working with the inspectors.

General discussion about calls made by Mr. Cryer, and Gen. Peabody said they have no record on this. It was decided that a form would be drafted that Mr. Cryer could file with the Commissioners each week, showing what he does so far as inspections are concerned.

Slot Machines

The Commissioners agreed that the telegram sent by the attorney general regarding slots would be observed, that is that if the machines are stored and disassembled the owners would be abiding by the law.

Piney Point Project

Mr. Douglas, Maryland Port Authority, asked if the Commissioners have changed their position from the letter sent to them regarding this project. Since that time they have received a petition from the St. Mary's Potomac River Association and this cannot be ignored. This happened to arrive at the same time they were going to make the final step in processing the foreign trade zone matter, and they felt it was good judgment to stop and make sure that what they were about to do is what the people in the county want done. So, they have put the matter in abeyance until they have discussed this with the Commissioners.

Mr. Douglas presented a letter to Mr. Burch, with copies to Mr. Bowles and Mr. Aud, regarding the feeling of the Maryland Port Authority in this matter. They have not made application for the foreign trade zone, according to Mr. Douglas. Mr. Douglas said they are waiting for Steuart to prepare all of the documents necessary, mentioning that they are simply the instrument through which Steuart can do something; they cannot do themselves. He said they must rely on the Commissioners to state whether or not they want the project. They are asking to be reassured that the position the Commissioners took in their May 24, 1968 letter is still firm. Mr. Douglas said that the Department of Commerce will have a public hearing on this, and he has not heard of any plans to bring in any other industry, as this will be a specific purpose foreign trade zone, for the operation of the oil refinery. Mr. Douglas said that the agreement they were on the point of signing says that they will go through and execute an agreement of use and occupancy. Actually, the Maryland Port Authority would exercise any authority over what is within the trade zone. He said he does not feel that Steuart would have the authority to operate the usual type of foreign trade zone, as this is a special purpose trade zone and he feels they would be restricted to the type of operation that will be expressed in the application. He said he did not know if Steuart had any affiliates in with them in this venture.

Mr. Douglas said that in reply to these various groups making inquiries, they will tell them they have to deal with the duly elected governing body, that is with the Commissioners.

If the letter is gotten from the Commissioners, reaffirming their position, they will execute an agreement with Steuart obligating them to execute an agreement of use and occupancy and file the application. This would be done immediately if the Commissioners reaffirm their position. The Commissioners agreed that they would like to have time to consider Mr. Douglas request. The latter asked that he hear from the Commissioners within a week at least, and they will not proceed with the application until they do.

Mr. Douglas said they do not have any plans concerning possible water pollution, and he also does not know of any engineers or consultants who might advise in this respect. He suggested the following who

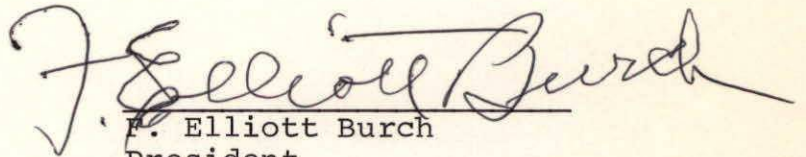
might be contacted: Shepherd T. Powell and Associates; Dr. Abell Wolman, Johns Hopkins University, Chairman emeritus, Department of Water Resources and Sanitary Engineering, Baltimore, Maryland; these people could make a study of the matter and advise the Commissioners.

Patuxent River Bridge

Mr. Pantaleo and Mr. John Mills. Mr. Mills present diagrams of the proposed location of the approved by the navy, and proposed route and where it would enter St. Mary's County. Also presented report of his findings on the bridge. The proposed location is the only one that the navy will approve as previously stated. From all the information that he has, the proposed location is probably the best one to be considered.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Approved,


F. Elliott Burch
President