

January 28, 1969

Present: F. Elliott Burch
J. Wilmer Bowles
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Proposed Courthouse Addition

Mr. Raymond Casavant and Mr. Joseph Crumbling, Buchart Associates, discussed the possibility of submitting a Master Plan to the Commissioners for future needs of buildings. They would make a complete survey of the courthouse including the jail and the jailor's house in order to ascertain the future needs and present changes. This would cost \$1,500. This study would analyze, coordinate and combine space which would eliminate any wasted space that we presently have and give a better traffic pattern. They agreed to credit \$500 from the master study to the new proposed addition. The sketch of the proposed Sheriff's Office was submitted which they would have to review. Much discussion was had regarding the approximate cost. Mr. Crumbling stated that it would be \$30 a square foot. After meeting with some dissatisfaction with this price, he explained the reason was because of tying in with the present building. He explained the possibility of a self-sustaining building and put a hallway into the Sheriff's Office. This then would lower the cost about \$22 to \$24 a square foot. After much discussion regarding the overall study of the Courthouse, the Commissioners agreed this would be feasible and instructed Mr. Casavant and Mr. Crumbling to send us a proposal. Mr. Bowles stated that plans of the courthouse grounds could be obtained from Johnson and Williams.

Library Budget

Admiral T. B. Clarke and Mrs. Katherine Hurrey presented their proposed budget for 1969-1970. Before submitting this budget the Commissioners agreed to their request to proceed with the architectural plans for the library at Tudor Hall. Adm. Clarke stated that the budget was about \$4,000 less than last year. They noted their concern regarding the electric bill for \$3,500 for last year. They have asked the Southern Maryland Electric Company to check this out. Mr. Burch stated he would discuss this with Mr. Coakley. Adm. Clarke said the only salary increase is the ordinary 6% which would be an increase of \$3,631.60. Adm. Clarke referred to a letter from the Metropolitan Commission date January 8, 1969, regarding Mrs. Breig's increase in salary. It was unanimously agreed that Mrs. Breig would receive this increase beginning January 1, 1969.

Long Lane Development Corporation

Mr. Jim Kenney, attorney for the Long Lane Development Corporation, submitted an escrow agreement regarding a certificate of deposit in the amount of \$35,000 to be put in escrow in the name of the County Commissioners for roads in that subdivision. After some discussion, the Commissioners felt that it should be reworded and requested Mr. Kenney to submit this to the Planning and Zoning Commission for their approval. (Mr. Pantaleo discussed the changes with the Commissioners and a new agreement is being prepared by Mr. Kenney.)

Commercial Trash

Mr. John H. Curtis, Jr., Hollywood, Md., stated he was going into business with his father and inquired as to where they could deposit this trash. He noted the sign "No commercial dumping" in the Hollywood area. Mr. Burch stated that at the present time he could use McLeod's dump or the Mechanicsville dump. He pointed out, however, that commercial dumpers should provide their own disposal area. Mr. Burch requested that the trash be dumped with the other trash in the area and not off to itself. He noted that open trucks should be covered. Permission to use McLeod's dump was granted. Mr. Burch stated that we are working on a dump site in Oakville where a charge would be placed on commercial dumpers.

Roads

Mr. Douglas Bond, SRC, informed the Commissioners they were beginning to work up the oiling schedule. When this is completed, he would submit it to the Commissioners for their approval. The Commissioners requested the following roads be put on the schedule: Dave Bailey Road to be widened and surface treated, St. Joseph's Project, Lawrence Hayden Road, McIntosh Road and Bushwood City Road. Mr. Bowles requested that bushing be done on the Kuhn Road and also the Medley's Neck Road.

A letter from Fr. Newman, Pastor of Holy Face Church, was reviewed. A letter will be sent to the State Roads Commission requesting a mercury light to be installed at the end of Chancellor's Run Road on the Great Mills Road. A copy is to be sent to Fr. Newman and Mr. Bond.

A letter was received from Mr. Whittemore regarding shore erosion at the end of Tippet Road in the first district. Mr. Dave Williams suggested that he help prepare a letter citing a section in the law where they may make their petition for assistance in this project.

Discussion was had regarding the cost of surface treatment. Mr. Bond stated that the cost was \$1,800 per mile for surface treatment.

St. Andrews Estate

Mr. Pantaleo submitted a request that the Louisdale Road from Parkview Drive approximately 600 feet and Parkview Circle from St. Andrews Lane approximately 324 feet be incorporated into the County Roads System which have been constructed according to County specifications. It was agreed to accept these roads into the system.

St. Clements Shores

Mr. Dave Williams informed the Commissioners that St. Clements Shores will give the County 10 acres of land and the second 10 acres of land would not be a gift but sold with an option to buy in five years.

Lawrence Avenue Extension

Mrs. Jean Dorsey, Town Commissioner, inquired about the Lawrence Avenue extension coming to Washington Street opposite the courthouse. Mr. Pantaleo stated that he had checked this out as to how the street would have to be shifted in order to tie in directly across the street behind the courthouse. There was some concern about the yellow house and the Commissioners asked Mrs. Dorsey to inquire as to who owns it and get permission for the County to take the right-of-way. Mr. Burch requested Mr. Pantaleo to stake off this and let Mrs. Camalier know how much right-of-way would be required from her. Mrs. Dorsey also suggested something be worked out regarding Courthouse Drive and Washington Street; possibly making Courthouse Drive a one-way street in from Washington Street. Another suggestion was that the wall surrounding the Courthouse on Washington Street be stepped down toward the corner of Courthouse Drive. A decision as to the traffic hazard on this corner will be given some consideration. Mrs. Dorsey stated that Mr. Bobby Hunt had received permission from the Town and the State Roads Commission and the Planning and Zoning Commission to erect a Chrysler sign at his business. He was advised that he would need permission from the County. Mrs. Dorsey was advised to have Mr. Hunt contact Mr. Pantaleo.

Refuge and Dumps

Col. Simpson, Mrs. Elberta Hayden and Mrs. Paul Hayward reported on the conditions of various dumps especially on Manor Road between Maddox and Hurry. Col. Simpson stated that one could find refrigerators along the road plus rats in the dump itself. He felt that this road side litter was due to the fact that there was no covering on trucks conveying this trash. He also stated that these dumps should be burned periodically under supervision. It was requested that Dr. Houser, the Health Officer, be retired because he was not physically capable of performing his duties. It was suggested that we appoint someone technically knowledgeable in this matter with a well-informed staff. He asked if Dr. Houser was nearing the retirement age. Mrs. Hayden stated that she felt these dumps needed fences to enclose the trash and complained that the trash had been piled high instead of burying it. She also mentioned the Clements dump being unsightly from the road. She stated there was another dumping area opposite the road leading from Route 234 at Chaptico to Mechanicsville. Mr. Burch stated this trash would be removed as he had already contacted the owner and the road will be staked off. Mrs. Hayward commented on the Compton dump and said some people living near the dump keep their own trash piled up around their homes. Mr. Burch enlightened the group as to the two newly proposed dump areas; one in Oakville which would be under daily supervision and the Bennett dump off of St. Andrews Church Road. Mr. Burch explained that they were aware of these conditions and are doing all in their power to control this. Mr. Pantaleo was instructed to contact Mr. Walter Wise in regard to this problem. Col. Simpson, speaking as a professional engineer, commented on the artesian wells still flowing in the County. It is against the law for free flowing artesian water. This, he stated, was the reason why many percolation tests will not take.

In speaking of industry, Col. Simpson stated if an industry would use 5,000 gallons of water per day, they should be turned down. The average use per family is 150 gallons.

Liquor Board Request

Mr. Burch suggested that before money was appropriated to the Liquor Board for plainclothesmen, that a meeting should be set up with the Liquor Board, Mr. Cryer and the Sheriff. It was suggested that the money/be appropriated would have certain guidelines.

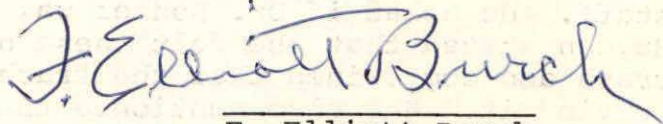
Bills approved

The following bills were approved: Civil Defense Building-Carl Loffler in the amount of \$3,118.50, Tri-County Animal Shelter expenses for the last six months in the amount of \$2,338.25 (County's share), St. Mary's Nursing Home in the amount of \$7,500, Board of Education for the addition and alterations to Great Mills in the amount of \$57,499.39 and also the Board of Education for the addition to Piney Point in the amount of \$20,625.00.

A letter was reviewed from the Baltimore C&P Telephone Company Office, commending Sheriff Burroughs, Deputy Herrmann and Assistant State's Attorney, David Williams for the manner in which they handled the coined telephone larcenies. It was agreed that a copy of this letter be given to Mr. Williams, Sheriff Burroughs and as a press release. It was requested that a meeting be set up next week with Mr. Robert August regarding the Governor's Patuxent River Watershed Advisory Committee Report.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch