

May 27, 1969

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

Meeting convened at 9:00 a.m.

Airport

Mr. Burch and Mr. Aud approved Certificate of Payment for \$12,438 to Dean & Beavers regarding the St. Mary's County Airport. Mr. Burch signed said certificate.

Hollywood Fill

Mr. Burch and Mr. Aud met with Mr. J. D. Raley, Jr., at the Hollywood fill and decided to have it closed and covered for 30 days.

Youth Commission

Reviewed letter from Father Veith, Chairman, Youth Commission, requesting \$10,000 to supplement their budget so they may hire a trained professional worker for the Youth Commission, to work with teens in a teen center. It was unanimously agreed that the Commissioners cannot supplement \$10,000 for this purpose.

Clarke's Landing Road Subdivision

Mr. Phil Clarke reported that he has lots located near an old dump in the Clarke's Landing Road area. He reports there is a road running back into it and is presently graveling it and would like to know what can be done so that the road can be taken into the system. He stated that lots have been deeded. Mr. Burch stated that this would have to come under subdivision regulations. The road is approximately 1100 feet long and lots are approximately one acre. Mr. Burch stated that this should go to the County Engineer for review. The road would have to be built to specifications and surface treated. It was agreed that the plat would be sent up to Planning and Zoning for review and recommendations.

Smith Trailer Court

Mr. Aud presented a letter and plats from the Planning and Zoning Commission requesting the Commissioners approval on the proposed addition of three spaces to the existing trailer court for Mr. William E. Smith, Hermanville Road, Lexington Park. This has been approved by Planning and Zoning and approved unanimously by the Commissioners. Mr. Aud returned plat to Planning and Zoning for issuing of permits.

Civil Defense

Mr. O. Wood requested that Mr. Burch sign a report of accomplishments for the

Office of Civil Defense for the past year.

Mr. Wood reported to the Commissioners on the meeting he attended in Annapolis regarding Civil Defense and National Guard in cases of emergencies, disturbances, etc. He said they discussed how the National Guard could be called out by the governor and that they are in charge when called out. If National Guard is not called out, then the governor decides who is in charge. They also discussed obtaining supplies from State Civil Defense. Mr. Wood presented a copy of the Governor's Emergency Powers, Duties and Penalties in time of domestic peril.

Mr. Wood also reported that his dispatchers now answer the phone by giving their name and dispatcher, etc. Mr. Burch requested that Mr. Wood send him a complete listing of phone numbers for the Control Center. Mr. Burch stated he will try to get Bob Gotshall to climb the control tower. Mr. Wood said he would like to go ahead and order the paging system which was approved in their budget. The Commissioners were in agreement with this.

Library Restoration

Adm. T. B. Clark stated that the Board of Library Trustees has approved the architect for Tudor Hall and are ready to have work started. He presented four contracts, two of which are to be sent to HUD, one for the Commissioners, and one for his files. The architect is Mr. Orin M. Bullock, Jr. of Baltimore. The contract is to be mailed to Mr. Jerome E. Parker, Regional Administrator, U.S. Department of HUD, Phila., Pa., 19107, and no money is required to be sent with this.

Adm. Clark reported that \$223,000 was for the Lexington Park Library and \$9,600 of this is yet to be spent. He said this could be spent for construction and equipment for the library. He would also like Mr. David Williams to contact Miss Stella Loffler, Supervisor of Public Libraries in Baltimore to find out more about where this money can be spent.

Brandywine Railroad

It was stated by Adm. Clark that he has written a letter to GSA requesting that they grant a right-of-way so that the Metropolitan Commission can lay sewer lines. Mr. Burch informed Adm. Clark that the Commissioners have sent in a down payment for the railroad and ^{it} would soon belong to the County. Adm. Clark said he had requested this of Mr. Shepherd and was told by Mr. Shepherd to get a letter of approval from the Commissioners. Mr. Burch suggested that we contact them relative to this.

Adm. Clark reported that with the \$5,000 they have finished with the preliminary survey on the Piney Point project and has spent \$1,810.58 over the \$5,000. He would like to get the other \$5,000 before the audit of their books. Mr. Burch said he will talk with Mr. Donaldson about this.

State Roads Commission

Mr. A. Tate and the Commissioners had a general discussion about the road construction on Route 5 leading into Leonardtown. Mr. Tate said he did not know anything about the closedown of this job. The new contract that is being

advertised will tie in the road from Loveville to Leonardtown. Mr. Burch said that the Commissioners wanted to talk with Mr. Tate about the County not being in a position to take over the County roads this year. Mr. Burch asked Mr. Tate if under the system he could assign Mr. J. D. Raley, Jr., and his crew under the County. Mr. Tate stated this would require a great deal of reorganization and that 90% of Mr. Raley's men are from St. Mary's County and he would prefer that they stay up there.

Discussion followed about transferring of men to the county and Mr. Tate said it may come to having a district setup instead of by counties. Mr. Aud asked if we have any control over money being spent on roads. Mr. Tate said that the SRC is responsible for administering to the roads and is not sure if the county can control the money because it automatically flows to them.

Mr. Tate suggested that the Commissioners write him a letter stating that they feel more efficient operation could be obtained if Mr. J. D. Raley and his men are assigned to the county. He suggested that the Commissioners could try this for six months to see how it would work out starting July 1. Mr. Tate stated he will try to work this out and let the Commissioners know what develops.

Mr. Aud asked if Mr. Tate could get someone to study Route 235. He requested that part of the road near the A&W Trailer Park be surface treated. Mr. Tate said this can be done.

Mr. Burch reported that the SRC still owes Norman Guy \$100 for right-of-way when the road was put through Mechanicsville and now Mr. Guy is requesting that an entrance be placed in front of his business. This will cost approximately \$1,500 because of it being a business entrance and will need curbs installed.

Mr. Tate asked if the county still wanted Old Rolling Road West to be incorporated into the system, because he has not received anything to this effect. The Commissioners stated they still want this in the system.

Mr. Burch asked if there is any possibility of funds coming out of maintenance for surface treating this year. Mr. Tate said no, and he recommends that this be taken from other source.

Mr. Tate stated that the Commissioners should be getting maintenance reports from Mr. D. Bond, but the Commissioners have not received such reports, nor has Mr. Donaldson. This will be brought to Mr. Bond's attention.

Hilldrups Storage

Mr. Charles G. McDaniel reported he is presently working on a temporary water permit from the government until November 1 at Hilldrups Storage in Lexington Park, and is having a problem obtaining water. Mr. Burch asked if there is any outlet for this, but Mr. McDaniel said no, and there must be a certain amount of pressure. He reports that an artesian well will not do. By putting up a big tank and sprinkler system they could qualify, but it would cost \$25,000 to sprinkle the building. Mr. Burch stated that the Commissioners will discuss this with the Metropolitan Commission to see what can be done.

Patuxent River Cruise

Reviewed letter from Mr. R. McDonah regarding a Patuxent River Cruise and that ten people from the county may attend. Those attending were: Mr. H. Sterling, Mr. W. S. Donaldson, Mr. Burch, Mr. Aud, Mr. John Hodges, Mr. J. F. Raley, Mr. J. Gough, Mr. B. Briscoe and Capt. Henderson.

Roads

Mr. Larry Day will proceed with the survey work on the Joe Yates Road, located off Route 242, and approximately 1 mile long. He will have to relocate a fence, ditch and barn to make a 40' right-of-way. It will cost approximately \$500 to be surveyed using plat and deed and will later be taken over by the county for maintenance.

On Old Rolling Road, Mr. Day and Mr. Pantaleo took a look at the road and found it to have a right-of-way of 100 feet. Mr. Day now wants to reduce this to 80 feet, giving each lot owner an extra 20 feet of property. He said Mr. Pantaleo wanted to have an easement on this so that the county could maintain the ditch. This has been approved by Planning and Zoning and there are 8 lot owners who would get a deed for the 20 feet. After this is recorded, Mr. Day will write up a description. Mr. Burch signed the plat and Mr. Day returned it to Mrs. Rogers.

On the Tippet Road, Mr. Burch said we need to know what the status is on this road so that Mr. Day could check into it. It is approximately .3 mile long, with a 40' right-of-way. The county will maintain this road if it has a 50' right-of-way. It will cost about \$300 for the deed description and plat.

Bennett Fill

Mr. Day stated that if Mr. Bennett is in agreement on how the land is staked off, he will talk with him. Mr. Bennett stopped in later and said he was in agreement. Mr. Williams will present a deed description to Mr. Bennett after the surveyor has drawn it up.

Oiling Schedule

Mr. D. Bond reported that money is needed for the oiling schedule. Mr. Burch stated he will try to see what can be done about getting some money for this purpose.

Social Services

Mr. J. Carter reported that he is concerned about obtaining a lawyer for legal services for the Social Services Department since Mr. Briscoe will be terminating as of July 1. There are three areas that need attention in the department by a lawyer: guardianship, claims, and uniform support law. General discussion about paying a lawyer for the amount of work he performs, which would be an incentive for him to do a good job. Mr. Burch suggested that this work be done by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Carter also presented a lease for the Day Care Center located in Patuxent Heights for a period of two years beginning June 1, 1969. This lease must be

co-signed by Mr. Burch. The building is owned by St. Mary's Realty and rents for \$600 per month. The federal government pays 85% and the state 15% the first year. The second year the former pays 75% and the latter 25%. Mr. Burch signed said lease as approved by the Commissioners.

Preschool Transportation

Mrs. B. Stevens, Mrs. M. Johnson, Mr. Williams. Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Johnson, who presently work with the Title III Program at Banneker School, are interested in providing transportation for small children going to clinics, dentists, drug stores, etc., during the summer months while the Preschool Program is not in operation. They said they would like to do this and be reimbursed for providing the services. Mr. Burch stated there is no money in the budget and does not know if the Commissioners have the legal authority to appropriate money for such a purpose. Mr. Williams feels that state legislation would have to be passed in order for this to be done. Mrs. Stevens asked if money could be appropriated in next year's budget for this purpose. Mr. Burch stated this must come through legislation and presently we do not have such legislation. Mrs. Stevens said that they may try to work something out through the Health Department.

Springer Trailer

Mr. P. Raley reported that Mr. Thomas Springer's son, Cecil, is putting a trailer on his land, is installing sewer lines, and wants to know if he can hook up to his father's artesian well. The Commissioners approved this action.

Library Telephone

Mr. P. Raley asked for permission from the Commissioners to remove the telephone from the Courthouse Law Library. The Commissioners approved same.

Board of Education

Mr. H. Kanowicz, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Sterling. Mr. Kanowicz reported that they will receive \$93,651 on Great Mills and Chopticon Schools according to the state formula of 64.64, which can be used toward the White Marsh project.

Mr. Kanowicz reported that they have received bids on the White Marsh addition and would like to know if they should move ahead with the project. Renovation in the old part of the building was deleted, and decided that the addition would include 8 classrooms. They provided in the bid to have fire proof painted ceilings instead of putting up new ones and are having the same actual square footage of 11,588. They are renovating some of the offices, adding extension to multi-purpose room and kitchen. The total bid for this project is \$238,875 and was bid by Carl M. Loffler, Inc., who was low bidder. The difference between the old bid and the new one is \$80,000, and \$33,164 is needed from the Commissioners to complete the project. Dr. King joined the meeting at this point and Mr. Kanowicz explained to him what had been discussed thus far. Mr. Bowles asked if the amount of \$33,164 could come ^{out} of State School Bond Issue money. Dr. King stated he would like to have this for the addition to Ridge and would like to have \$200,000 earmarked for this purpose. Mr. Burch requested that Dr. King give him a list of all proposed school construction projects. Dr. King also reported that they will receive bids for the Piney Point project on May 29.

Dr. King stated they are waiting for the Commissioners to decide about placing a plaque at Dynard School. Dr. King talked about areas in the budget to be cut and would like to have verbal agreement of categories that would have to be reduced. They are making the adjustments and are asking the Commissioners to concur.

Parks and Recreation Director

Capt. Henderson, Mr. Chris Maddox and Mr. S. Schrader. Capt. Henderson stated that their Board has met with Mr. Maddox and would like the Commissioners to meet him before making a final decision. Mr. Maddox presented a resume of his background and experience in Harford County. He is requesting a salary of \$11,000 and that the county pay for his moving expenses. Mr. Burch asked him if he would accept a salary of \$10,000, and Mr. Maddox stated he would. It was Mr. Burch's feeling that Miss Battenfield could serve as secretary and spend as much time as needed to serve the Parks and Recreation Board. Mr. Maddox stated that his first year would be public relations work. He is to complete an application and the Commissioners will advise him of their decision.

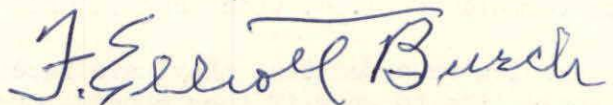
Capt. Henderson reported on the design of the tennis and basketball courts at Great Mills. He is requesting \$100 more than was in the contract for oil treating of the courts. He stated by September or October they will ask for an indefinite extension of the contract. In July they must submit supplementary request of \$2,500 but not more than \$3,000 for seeding program to seed the entire area.

Camps Representative

It was unanimously agreed that Mr. Kenneth Duffield of the Employment Security Office would represent St. Mary's County at State Camp meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President