July 1, 1969

Present: F. Elliott Burch J. Wilmer Bowles

George R. Aud

Meeting convened at 9:00 a.m.

7th District Sanitary Fill

Mr. Burch telephoned Mr. Cusic at the SRC regarding the subject fill. He stated that over the weekend someone had put spoiled crab meat in the fill and adjacent residents were complaining about the odor. Mr. Cusic was instructed to have some lime deposited on the fill to alleviate the problem.

St. Mary's College Scholarships

The Commissioners reviewed applications submitted for subject scholarships and selected the following four applicants:

Joseph Scott Ridgell Scotland, Maryland

Angeline Maria Choporis Leonardtown, Maryland

Wayne Mark Davis Mechanicsville, Maryland

Stephen Louis Raley Rt. 2, Leonardtown, Maryland

It was suggested that, on future applications, the following cuestions be incorporated on the form:

- 1. Does applicant expect to receive other scholarships, if so, which ones?
- 2. If applicant is applying for other scholarships, state which ones.
- 3. Provide space for telephone number.

The four applicants selected were unanimously approved by the Commissioners to receive the scholarships in the amount of \$300 for four year period.

Airport

Mr. Burch reported to the Commissioners that he had received word that a grader at the subject site had been turned over, a bulldozer started up and a ditch dug with it, and windows broken out of trucks. This has occurred on two different nights. The equipment is owned by Dean and Beavers. Sheriff Burroughs and Deputy Lancaster will check into this matter today. He stated that if "No Trespassing" signs were installed, then they could arrest the vandals.

Board of Education

The Commissioners approved and Mr. Burch signed a letter to be sent to the Board of Education, dated May 14, 1969, informing them of the areas cut in their budget. Due to change in estimated enrollment by the Board of Education - \$133,500, amount reduced by the Commissioners - \$367,978, giving a total of \$501,478.

2nd District Sanitary Fill

A letter was composed and signed by Mr. Burch to Mr. G. G. Harris, Vice-President of the Chesapeake Corporation of West Point, Virginia, in which the Commissioners request acreage in the 2nd Election District for use as a sanitary fill. The Commissioners are requesting the company to consider making available about 50 to 75 acres.

Sheriff's Department Salaries

Sheriff Burroughs discussed salaries of his deputies. He has set the salary for beginners at \$6,700, and approved \$7,050 in the budget for advanced deputies. It was decided that new deputies would be started on a salary of \$6,700 for the first six months, which is the probationary period, and after the six month period, will go to the \$7,050 salary.

Economic Development Commission

Mr. Arthur "Buck" Briscoe presented a copy of a letter he had received from Mr. E. Harry Ocker, NAS, requesting 2,000 copies of the St. Mary's County booklet. Mr. Ocker stated that by 1975, a staff of 1,500 will be assigned into existence. This is presently being approved by the Secretary of the Navy.

The Board of Education also requests 200 copies for teacher recruitment. Mr. Briscoe also presented a folder of requests for information about St. Mary's County. He stated that there are not enough funds in his remaining 1969 budget to purchase these booklets, which will cost approximately \$300 to print. The Commissioners will examine the budget and let Mr. Briscoe know their decision. Mr. Aud feels that this is a good booklet and motioned that \$300 be appropriated for the booklets, seconded by Mr. Bowles. Mr. Burch asked Mr. Briscoe if he had been informed of the plans for the old jail and employment of a secretary to work in the building, and the latter said he had been informed of this.

St. Mary's River Watershed

Messrs. John Hall, SCS, W. Groome, FHA. Mr. Hall presented letter to the Commissioners to be sent to Mr. Chester J. Tyson, of FHA, regarding the application for the watershed loan on St. Mary's River Watershed, and a meeting with a Mr. Morris of Mr. Tyson's office. Mr. Morris had raised a question as to the use of the deferred repayment. It was pointed out that the SCS does not have funds for an advance and asked that the loan be based on deferment of repayment. It was also pointed out that the county's benefits from the project will accrue from decreased cost for roads and bridges and increased revenue to increased property assessments, and revenue in lieu of taxes generated by State Park at Site 2. However, these benefits will not accrue until structures 1 and 2 are completed. Mr. Burch asked if they had assurance they will get the money. Mr. Groome said no, and that Congress would have to approve it before this project could be started. This will need Congressman Morton's support. It was suggested that he be shown the entire area of the watershed and also see the airport by helicopter. The yearly payment on the project would be \$12,000, and this figure includes interest. It can be arranged to be paid off in 40 years, and would be guaranteed from general taxation and park revenue. Mr. Hall is to have certain parts of the letter changed and show that the meeting did not include Mr. Burch.

Oakville Sanitary Fill

Mr. Burch brought up the possibility for a need for expansion of the landfill in Oakville. He stated that a road has been constructed down to the fill, and he has been trying to contact Mr. Shields to see how much had to be done before this fill can be approved.

Alban Tractor, Inc.

Mr. C. Claypool reported to the Commissioners that he can have all equipment delivered except the wench. It was suggested that it might be possible to deliver the equipment to the SRC garage. Mr. Burch stated he would like it to be delivered to the sanitary fill area, but would have to have approval from state officers. Mr. Claypool said they have a person who could demonstrate the equipment without charge. He recommends #2 fuel oil for this equipment. Mr. Burch stated that this might possibly be under the same contract as that supplying the county buildings. It was noted that delivery of the truck from McKay's will not be in until August 1 to 15.

Tri-County Council

Mr. John Mills discussed further possibilities of obtaining someone to work in the Planning and Zoning Office. Mr. Mills is to go ahead and look for an engineer for this project on a per diem basis. The zoning ordinance revisions would be included in this, and salary would be commensurate with experience.

Patuxent Watershed Legislation

Mr. Aud reported that according to House Bill 1298, which deals with control of erosion, silt and sedimentation within the Patuxent River Watershed, property within the watershed must be inspected and approved by the Soil Conservation Service before issuance of building permits. This new law goes into effect July 1. The law does not apply to lots of two or more acres. All lots less than that must go through Mr. John Hall first for inspection.

Roads

Mr. Bond will contact Corp. Miedzinski before putting up signs on McKay's Beach Road and Larredore Road. Mr. Bond said he has received a request to have the grass cut around the Fair Grounds, and it was recommended that this be done. Mr. Bond reported that the signs on Seven Gables Road have been changed as recommended.

Received request from Mrs. Connie Smith to have Holly Road in Town Creek posted for 30 mph as it is a dead-end street and children play at the end of it. Mr. Bond stated that at the entrance to Town Creek, there is a sign posted stating "Speed limit is 30 mph". This sign applies to all streets in Town Creek. Mr. Bowles suggested that at the entrance a sign might be posted reading "Speed limit 30 mph unless otherwise posted". It was noted that there are six different ways to enter Town Creek. Signs 18 X 24 could be made and placed at these entrances.

Mr. Burch requested that bushes be cut on Sandgates Road. Mr. Bond stated he

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will start cutting bushes on Frank Latham Road tomorrow.

Mr. Aud reported that the man who owns property on Camp Saysf Road will be down Monday to talk with him relative to granting the 10' right-of-way needed to save Mrs. Cutchember's trees.

Mr. Bond informed the Commissioners that blacktopping will be started on July 7 on Route 5 above Half Way House.

Mr. Bond was requested to see that salt is put on the St. Aloysius Church Cemetery Road to help settle the dust.

Mr. Williams reviewed plat with the Commissioners on the Bennett Road. He has recorded the plat and noted that 3100 feet, according to the deed, is the extent of the property owned by Mr. Rollins Bennett. It was decided that Mr. Bennett would be requested to stop in and sign the deed and that Mr. Paul Raley notarize same.

CATV

Mr. Paul Raley reported on a letter received from Mr. Irvin Fern regarding poles for CATV. Mr. Fern feels that approval for using the telephone and electric poles should come from the Commissioners and does not feel that permission should be granted for this purpose. He wanted to know if the Commissioners had granted such an approval because various people had said they had gotten permission from the telephone and electric companies. Mr. Burch stated that these people could be taxed according to an amusement tax. Mr. Burch checked with Mr. Cookley of Charles County and found that these people are paying for the use of the poles. It was decided that Mr. Fern would be sent a letter stating that the Commissioners are not in a position to answer questions asked in his letter. Mr. P. Raley reported that at Lexington Park approval had been obtained from the telephone and electric companies for use of the poles. Mr. Bowles suggested that the letter be given to Mr. Arch Brown, Law Librarian, requesting that he examine the laws on this and report his findings to the Commissioners.

McKay's Beach Shore Erosion

General discussion relative to the petition signed by 21 residents of McKay's Beach who concerned about shore erosion in that area. The project was bid for \$24,000 and \$18,000 is needed from the county to send to the state. The remaining \$6,000 will be paid by the state. Mr. Burch talked with Mr. William Groome, FHA, and asked him if any money could be gotten and payed back over a long term. Mr. Groome said this could not be done, so Mr. Burch telephoned the bank and spoke with Mr. Joe Marion Gough, who said this could be handled by the bank. Mr. Jack Koegel was instructed to contact Mr. Gough and work something out from there.

Invoices Approved for Payment

Approved payment of \$761.11 to David M. Gruber and Company, for 1968 tax billing.

Approved payment of \$65.45 to the SRC for final construction costs on the State Aid Project SM 584-518, Patuxent Beach Road, Bulkhead and Surfacing.

Approved payment of \$10.00 to Village Medical Center for mental evaluation of Robert Thompson.

Smith, Somerville and Case

The Commissioners reviewed letter from this firm regarding additional information needed from Mr. Pantaleo. It was decided that Mr. Burch and Mr. Williams would visit Mr. Pantaleo and try to obtain the answers to the questions that the court has now ruled must be answered.

Beautification Commission

Reviewed letter from Mr. A. V. Cherbonnier requesting that the Commissioners consider forming a Beautification Commission in the county. Mr. Aud feels this would interfere with the Maryland Environmental Trust Organization. Mr. Cherbonnier attached some Virginia regulations to his letter, and Mr. Burch will review these before a decision is made.

Sanitary Landfills

General discussion regarding charging commercial people for dumping in the county landfills, according to loads dumped. First, they must apply for a permit costing \$25, and then purchase books of tickets from the Courthouse, and these would be given to a collector at the gate to the landfill area. The fill would be closed six days per year. It could be open from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., with two shifts. It was brought out that refrigerator doors would have to be removed, gas tanks removed from old cars, and also seats to discourage breeding of rats. Also, there would probably have to be an office located at the site, and an old trailer might be obtained for this purpose. Mr. Burch and Mr. Sterling will get together and work out something for charging commercial haulers.

Metropolitan Commission

Mr. Aud reported on some figures he has obtained from the Metropolitan Commission regarding the purchase of the Patuxent Water Company, as follows:

\$ 70,000	Tower
80,000	Sewage pump
200,000	Pump and well
50,000	Fire hydrants
	Manholes
1,630,000	
less 40%	depreciation
\$ 978,000	Total
50,000 60,000 1,630,000	Pump and well Fire hydrants Manholes depreciation

Tall Timbers Erosion
It was reported by Mrs. Dudley Lindsley of Tall Timbers that land is rapidly eroding in this area between the Chappalear and Cockrell properties. A petition was submitted regarding this in 1968. The property is owned by Brook Brian.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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