

July 22, 1969

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

Meeting convened at 9:10 a.m.

#### Metropolitan Commission

The Metropolitan Commission has requested that the Commissioners negotiate and submit an offer for them to the Patuxent Water Company by this Friday. Mr. Burch stated that the Commissioners are not in a position to do this and should wait until the project is studied with Beavin Company and David Gruber. It was decided that Mr. Williams would be asked for his advice regarding this, as they plan to meet with the Commissioners on Friday. Mr. Williams does not feel that local government has any control over what they do. The negotiations are their responsibility and then they may get the Commissioners approval if it is in the Commissioners jurisdiction. Mr. Williams checked the law and stated that the Commissioners approval is needed for bond for the Metropolitan Commission and indirectly affects the Commissioners.

#### Pickup Truck

Mr. Burch spoke with Mr. D. Bond about the possibility of obtaining a SRC pickup truck for use by two county men that have been hired to work on landfills. This was agreeable with Mr. Bond.

#### Sheriff's Cars

It was decided that the Commissioners would advertise immediately for the sale of four old sheriff's cars. This would be advertised for two weeks in the newspaper.

#### Enterprise

Mr. Burch reported that the Enterprise has been trying to obtain information as to the amount of tax collected from each district for the last fiscal year. Mr. D. Gruber has received requests for this information, but has not given it and wants the Commissioners to authorize this. Mr. Bowles suggested that the request be made in writing to Mr. W. Herbert and that the Assessment Office take care of this.

#### Association of Chiefs of Police

Reviewed application form from Sheriff Burroughs requesting that \$25 be paid by the county so that he may become a member of the International Association. This was not approved by the Commissioners. Sheriff Burroughs also presented a bill for \$218.39 for a police academy meeting he attended for three days in Miami, Florida, and this was approved for payment by the Commissioners.

#### McKay's Beach

Mr. Joe Marion Gough was called into the meeting to discuss the financing of the



subject project for the 21 residents of this area. Mr. Burch informed him that CBA would put up 25% of the project and the residents would have to pay 75% which would amount to about \$18,000. This would mean that \$900 would have to be paid by each person. Using 24 month loan basis, it would cost \$40 per person, and on a 36 month basis, \$30 per person. These people would individually negotiate with the bank relative to the loan, and would have to fill out applications to be returned to the bank. These loans would be in the form of notes signed by each property owner, and life insurance and interest is included in the figures quoted above.

#### County Decals

Mr. P. Raley reported that he has received a sample of a decal seal of St. Mary's County from the Belsinger Company. General discussion was had relative to purchasing a number of these decals and placing them on sale in the county. It was decided that a sample would be obtained from the company and given to the Commissioners for approval. They then would decide upon the number to order and possibly the proceeds from the sale of these decals could go to help the Maryland Environmental Trust organization.

#### Steuart Petroleum Company

Mr. Bill Saul reported to the Commissioners that Steuart is planning to run a pipeline from Piney Point to Morgantown for use by Pepco. He stated that they have not yet received a letter of commitment from Pepco for the installation of the pipeline. He stated if the oil is transported over the roads, it would mean 200 trucks per day. An average of 500 gallons per minute is to be transported through the pipeline. They hope to be able to obtain the necessary right-of-way to run the pipeline along side of state roads and then pay a rental for the right-of-way. The pipes would be 12", and the oil would be #6 heated to 150 degrees to go through the pipeline. Pepco feels this is a good project and will prevent having so many barges on the rivers. Steuart proposes to construct four 268,000 gallon tanks and also further away from these will be a ballast tank for extra hot oil. There will be a heater and extra pump and diesel at each station along the way because this oil will not run if it isn't hot. There will be a 168,000 gallon tank at Morgantown to hold the oil. The investment would cost approximately three million dollars and may go up to five million after storage and rental fees are paid.

#### Chesapeake Bay Affairs

Mr. Burch telephone CBA regarding the status of shore erosion projects in the county, and talked with Mr. Marshall Cook. Mr. Cook stated he did not have any information regarding Kingston Creek and Little Kingston Creek. He stated that Mr. Roy Hutchins will be down to get in touch with residents of Tanner Creek. Mr. Cook said that McKay's Beach is in Mr. Mohl's hands and he does not know if CBA will be responsible for paying for plans and specifications on this project. Mr. P. Raley stated that the Commissioners have received a phone call from CBA stating this agency will be responsible for paying for plans and specifications. Mr. Cook stated that the project would have to be rebid because bids received were too high.

On construction of the bulkhead at Tall Timbers, Mr. Cook stated this was under



maintenance and may not be able to get funds for this. He feels this will probably have to go back through tax as was done years before. They can help with the engineering on this and have someone down to draw up plans next week if possible. Mr. Burch asked that he be advised ahead of time when they are coming down and he will endeavor to meet with them.

On the extension of bulkhead at Bushwood, Mr. Cook feels they may have \$10 - 20,000 for this project.

It was decided to arrange a meeting with CBA and find out just what the status is on these projects. They include: Dukehart, Bushwood, Tall Timbers, McKay's Beach, Tanner Creek, Long Neck, Kingston and Little Kingston, St. George Island, Doniphan and Melton properties, security lights for wharves.

#### Resolution re Landfills

It was decided that Mr. Williams would have a resolution drawn up regarding the misuse of refuse disposal areas and authority to charge for using landfills by commercial businesses.

#### Patuxent Watershed Committee

Reviewed letter from Spencer P. Ellis of the Department of Forests and Parks, and Vladimir Wahbe of the Department of State Planning, in which they request that the county designate one of the county's technical staff to represent the county in working with (1) advising on apportionment of open space monies with the Patuxent Basin and the Patuxent's relationship to the bi-regional needs; (2) assisting in defining the responsibilities of local, state and county government in open space and recreation provision; (3) exploring the possibilities of increased intercounty cooperation; and (4) increasing the effectiveness of the state's advisory role through the use of an interjurisdictional forum. Mr. Burch stated he will study the letter further and decide upon someone to appoint to the committee.

#### Parks and Recreation

Reviewed letter from Capt. Henderson to Al Barthelme in which he informed the latter that Mr. Burch will endeavor to obtain the drums he requested and that the maintenance of Nicolet Park be performed by the users in that particular area.

Reviewed letter from Stanley O. Schrader, BOE, to George A Myers of the State Department of Education, regarding the Great Mills Park Center and the acreage that is to be conveyed to Parks and Recreation. The current plans provide for three softball fields, three soccer-football fields, two tennis courts, and two basketball courts, with future plans for adding more tennis courts.

#### Request for Tax Hearing - Millison

Reviewed copy of letter from Mr. L. Millison to Mr. W. F. Herbert, in which the former requests a hearing regarding assessed valuation of premises of Belvedere Motor Inn addition and 14 house trailers. It was decided that the Commissioners do not have any jurisdiction over this because of it being beyond the 30 day limit to appeal.



Scotland Beach - Tanner Creek

Reviewed letter from J. W. Eastwood in which they thanked the Commissioners for meeting with them and are waiting word relative to action taken regarding Tanner Creek.

Hill Property

Reviewed letter from Mr. Bob Moore of J. R. McCrone, Inc., in which he confirmed the work ordered at the Leon Hill property. It is with the understanding that the design work will be done on this project which is approximately 4,000 linear feet of traverse to be run to design this road. He plans to have a survey party on this property on July 23 to begin work.

Proposed Engineering Services

Reviewed letter from John H. Mills, Tri-County Council, in which he informs the Commissioners that he has had discussions with Dr. Jackson of St. Mary's College and Mr. Jay Carsey, President, Charles County Community College. He states both are interested in this arrangement for next year.

Scholarships to St. Mary's College

Reviewed letters from Angeline M. Choporis, Wayne Mark Davis, and Nancy Lee Taylor, in which they state they will accept scholarships to St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Camper Trailer Regulations

Reviewed camper trailer regulations as submitted by Dr. Houser regarding sewage facilities, garbage and refuse disposal and water supply.

Long Neck Creek

Reviewed letter from Mr. Louis N. Phipps, CBA, in which he states he is referring our letter regarding dredging of Long Neck Creek to Mr. Roy Hutchins.

Youth Commission and Parks and Recreation

Reviewed report submitted by J. Frank Raley on the subcommittee on the reorganization of the subject agencies, the Youth Commission, Dept. of Forests and Parks and Recreation. This report was unanimously approved by all members of the subcommittee according to Mr. Raley.

Roads

Mr. P. Raley reported to the Commissioners and Mr. D. Bond that teenagers are parking and drinking on River Road in Town Creek. This complaint came from a Mr. Wiseman who requests that No Parking signs be posted on the road. The Commissioners approved having said signs posted.



It was agreed that six signs are to be ordered to be placed at entrances to Town Creek which will state 30 mph on all streets unless otherwise posted. Mr. P. Raley will take care of ordering these signs.

Reviewed letter from Mrs. Florence G. Berg in which she states that the road in front of her lot, #510 on Bay Drive, Golden Beach, is in bad condition and needs maintenance. Mr. Bond is to check this.

Received request from Mrs. Frank Wakert of Piney Point, requesting that "curve" and "slow" signs be posted on road going to lighthouse, off State Route 498. Signs were installed two years ago and have since been removed. Mr. Bond will investigate.

Received request from a Mrs. Wise on Indian Bridge Road, in which she states there have been accidents recently on a sharp turn on the road. The road is narrow and she would like to have something done.

Reviewed letter from Mr. A. W. Tate in which he informs the Commissioners that the supply of snow fence is depleted and he will advise if any should become available.

Mr. Williams reviewed plats for Tippet and Yates Roads. It was decided that a deed would be drafted by Mr. Williams so that these roads could be taken into the county system.

Reviewed letter from Mr. Patrick F. Mahoney, Attorney at Law, in which he is representing Longview Beach Club Association, located off Route 238. The letter states that the entrance is in very poor condition and has not been properly maintained. They request that the entrance be graded and resurfaced, install drainpipe or culvert, and install road signs on Route 238 to warn motorists of beach entrance.

Mr. Bowles requested that Mr. Bond have a grader sent down to clean out Cedar Lane and Circle Lane in St. Jerome's Landing Subdivision, 1st District.

#### Heath Property

Reviewed letter from Mrs. Evelyn Heath, Washington, D. C., in which she is requesting balance of purchase price for 31 acres that the county purchased. The agreement, drawn up in March, was reviewed and states the Commissioners have a 60 day grace period in paying the balance. It was decided that this letter would be acknowledged.

#### Dukehart Creek Consent Agreement

Mr. Williams is to prepare an agreement to be signed by all property owners regarding placement of any material dredged by CBA from the bottom of Dukehart Creek on property of said owners.

#### Code Supplement Amendments

Mr. Williams requested that a letter be written to Dr. Carl Everstine of the Department of Legislative Reference, requesting that amendments to sections in the supplement be printed in italics so changes or additions will be immediately discernible.



Domiciliary Home

Gen. Hume Peabody and Mr. Leroy Thompson. Gen. Peabody requested that the county donate three to five acres of land for a domiciliary home for old people who are sick, but have no one to take care of them. Mrs. Ripple, of the Department of Social Services, has been asked to decide how many persons would need this care. Presently, they are planning on accommodations for about 30 people and possible future expansion for about 60. Gen. Peabody stated that a non-profit corporation would operate the home. They hope that they can be allowed up to 10 acres of land for this future expansion. The Commissioners stated that the county owns some land across the road from the fair grounds. Mr. Bowles feels the operation of such a home is a county responsibility rather than have a corporation do this. Mr. Williams stated that the Commissioners could not donate the land, but could work out a lease to them. The Commissioners will take this under further advisement.

Invoices Approved

Approved payment of \$33.33 to Commissioners of Charles County for food served at the Tri-County meeting.

Approved payment of \$1,241.18 to SRC for construction and inspection cost and material testing on Project SM-599-512, St. Andrews Road, Route 5 to Indian Bridge Road, for the month of May 1969.

Approved vouchers Nos. 35229-35240 for period of June 23-27, Nos. 35241-35295 for period of June 27-30, Nos. 35296-35355 for period June 30-July 14, 1969.

Director of Parks and Recreation

Capt. Henderson introduced Mr. Myles P. Wagner as an applicant for the subject position. He presented to the Commissioners a resume of past experience and stated he is presently receiving \$11,300 and starting January 1, he will receive \$12,000 in Baltimore County. Mr. Wagner requests that he be provided with a car. Mr. Burch stated he could use the mileage plan starting out and maybe later on have a car provided by the county. The Commissioners discussed retirement and other benefits that would be provided, with Mr. Wagner. Mr. Burch will be in Baltimore on Thursday and will obtain further information relative to a salary scale for Mr. Wagner, under the Merit System.

Oil Bids

It was agreed to advertise for oil bids for fuel oil and #2 diesel oil for county roads equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Approved,

*F. Elliott Burch*

F. Elliott Burch, President