

July 29, 1969

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

County Extension Office

Mrs. Hope Martin introduced Miss Vicki France to the Commissioners and informed them that she will be working with youth and 4-H groups connected with the Extension Office.

Bennett Road

Mr. P. Raley informed the Commissioners that Mr. D. Williams would have to have the deed for the subject road rewritten because an error had been made in the total number of feet the road contained, and also request that the CBG number be inserted on the deed.

The Commissioners unanimously agreed to pay the balance of \$200 to Mr. Rollins Bennett as per terms of the lease for the sanitary landfill. Mr. Bennett will receive \$600 each July for five years.

Watershed

Mr. Burch stated he had received a telephone call from Mr. G. B. Shields, Department of Water Resources, stating that they will pay for the legal fees connected with the subject project. Mr. Burch will be receiving a letter to this effect in a few days.

Mr. Bill Groome, FHA, telephoned and stated that the Commissioners should write to Mr. Jim Burtis, Department of Forests and Parks, to determine the estimated anticipated income from the facilities they will be having around the watershed. Mr. Groome was informed by Mr. John Hall, SCS, that the county will get 15% of said income.

Colton Point Shore Erosion

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McNey, Colton Point, Maryland, presented pictures of their waterfront property that has eroded since the recent storms and heavy rains. They have a 100' lot and shown as Block A, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, and half of 9. They stated that there is a seawall on the property next to theirs. Mr. and Mrs. McNey live at 830 Underwood Street, Washington, D. C., and stated they could be down when engineers from CBA came down to make an estimate of the erosion problem. The Commissioners will be in contact with them as to a date CBA engineers will be down. Mr. Burch also informed them that if CBA participated in the project, they would put up 50% of the cost.

Seawall at Piney Point

Mr. Robert Swann and Mr. J. Howard Swann are requesting assistance from CBA for bulkheading the seawall on St. George Creek in Piney Point, for approximately 600 feet. Mr. Swann stated that if it is bulkheaded, he will provide the backfill

and pilings as part of his contribution. He stated J. R. McCrone, Inc., is preparing a plat on land past the post office going to St. George Island, and he is planning a camp site for this area. Mr. Burch stated that any dredging near the bridge will have to be approved by SRC, and will have to request CBA engineers to come down. Mr. Swann is to provide Mr. Burch with a copy of the plat being prepared by J. R. McCrone, Inc.

Southern Maryland Electric Coop, Inc.

Mr. Wible of this agency telephoned regarding the lines to be put under roads. They must have a ruling from the Commissioners so they may begin work.

Tri-County Community Action

Mr. P. Raley reported that Mrs. Mathias of subject group had telephoned urging the Commissioners to waive trailer regulations so that the Annie Douglas family may have electricity for their trailer. Mrs. Kelley, of the Preschool Program, has discussed this with the Commissioners previously.

Mrs. Mary S. Salisbury, Department of Employment Security, reported to the Commissioners the progress that this program has been making and informed them that Col. E. Gates is the new chairman of the Board of Trustees. She reports that there are 120 children in the three counties under the full year Head Start Program and they are trying to get this together with the summer Head Start Program. She stated they had been criticized for not being in contact with the Commissioners by Title I. She further stated that there are four programs going on in the county so youngsters may have jobs during the summer months.

Bid Opening for Maintenance Building

Received bids as follows:

Alton Engineering Co	Alt. #1	Alt. #2	Alt. #3	Alt. #4	Alt. #5
Base Bid: \$253,000	\$ 44,9000	39,600	4,500	6,000	5,700
Dobry Const. Co.	\$ 3.00 per	2.45 per	4,800	7,900	5,800
Base Bid: \$238,514	sq. yd.	sq. yd.			

Mr. Crumbling stated that the bids were considerably higher than expected. He had originally planned for \$160,000 and that word had gotten out that the county was not planning to build it anyway and therefore, contractors did not want to bid the project. Mr. Crumbling stated he would like to study this and report back to the Commissioners with more detailed information. The Commissioners have 60 days to hold the bids so it was agreed to meet on Tuesday, September 2, and at that time could also talk about the proposed Courthouse expansion.

Resolution re Landfills

The Commissioners unanimously approved and signed resolution regarding Misuse of Refuse Disposal Areas, and also setting up charges for commercial use of landfills.

Invoices Approved

Approved payment of \$450 to Insurance Buyers' Council, Baltimore, Md., for consulting services contract for year ending July 31, 1970.

Approved payment of \$181.00 to National Association of Counties for dues for 12 months ending September 30, 1970.

Approved payment of \$60 to Mr. Joseph E. Wathen, Loveville, for one 300 pound hog killed by dogs.

Fence Bids

Reviewed bids submitted by Sears Roebuck and Long's Fence Company, Gambrills, Md., relative to purchase of chain link fence for landfill in Oakville. Sears bid was \$2,613.59, and Long's was \$1,975.00. The Commissioners agreed to accept the Long's Fence Company bid.

Roads

Reviewed letter from Mr. A. W. Tate, SRC, and attached memo from Mr. L. E. McCarl, relative to Old Rolling Road West. Mr. McCarl stated that they cannot accept a 12' gravel road into the system. Information from Mr. Bond's records was reviewed and the original request was for a 40' road. General discussion was had regarding this and it was decided that Mr. Tate would be sent a letter stating that the original request was for a 40' road.

Mrs. Eva Logan requests that a "stop" sign be placed at the end of Midway Drive going on to Great Mills Road, near the intersection of the new Queen Anne Apartments.

Reviewed letter from James Dobry, relative to the maintenance of Belvior Road, Colmar Land and Filmore Drive, in the Greenview Knolls Subdivision. He stated that Mr. Bond had inspected the roads but stated that no money is available for the maintenance unless the Commissioners make it available. Mr. Bond was instructed to check into this again and give Mr. Dobry an answer relative to what can be done.

Reviewed letter from Mr. Richard Johnson Colton, Clements, Maryland, in which he requests that ditches be cleaned out near his home. Mr. Bond is to take care of this request.

Reviewed request from Mr. Elliott Weisman of Town Creek, in which he requests that the ditches be cleaned out going across intersection of East Quincy Terrace.

Tall Timbers Seawall

Messrs. John Hillers, President, Tall Timbers Citizens Association; Charles H. Mason, C. J. Yingling, Wm. Vernstein, members of the Association. Mr. Vernstein stated they are requesting aid on reconstruction of the seawall. Each front lot property owner contributed \$101.50 and each back lot owner paid \$52.00 per year for 15 years and 1968 was the last year for payments. They were not billed for the assessment this year on the tax bill. \$60,000 was split between all property

owners with interest. They now want a solution for repairing the wall.

Mr. Donaldson explained to them how the bond issue and erosion tax was to take care of interest and expenses on bonds and also included maintenance. They got into a lawsuit after this was set up. At the time \$2.50 was set up for a rate for erosion tax that was to take care of the interest. There was no maintenance or repair for the first year. The county had to put up the difference between the bond and the interest on the project for the amount of about \$30,000. The county made an adjustment and the rate was reduced. The county paid the money that the four or five people didn't pay, but they repaid later. Each year the bonds ran \$7,000 in interest and Mr. Donaldson stated there isn't a breakdown on how much was erosion tax and interest.

Mr. Burch informed the group that CBA has already been requested to come down and help prepare engineering estimates and find out what is the proper way to have this done. Mr. Pantaleo had recommended that rip-rap be placed along the wall and this was rejected by the people, according to Mr. Bowles. Mr. Mason stated that this was the case, but each time the rip-rap would be placed, the water would wash it out. However, the Commissioners will try to get the CBA engineers come down regarding this project.

Center Gardens

Mr. Robin Guyther, Enterprise reporter, discussed with the Commissioners Center Gardens taxation, and asked if they had received any complaints from anyone relative to the conditions that exist there. Mr. Bowles feels the complex is robbing the taxpayers and not providing a decent place for the service personnel to live. The Center Gardens owners have not paid any taxes for the last five years. They have been exempted from paying taxes under the Wherry Act. Under said Act they pay no taxes if they maintain streets, street lights, and other services. Mr. Guyther states that for some reason the federal government subsidy to the Board of Education is included in the Center Gardens maintenance bill. Mr. Aud recommended that the Navy take back the land the complex occupies and sell it through GSA. Mr. Bowles stated that the Navy could take steps to improve this, but the county was not able to do anything.

State Police

Corp. W. Miedzinski introduced Sgt. Boone to the Commissioners and stated that the latter would be stationed at the Leonardtown Post. The Commissioners welcomed Sgt. Boone to the county and wished him success in his new assignment.

Board of Education

Mr. Burch received an invitation from Miss M. E. Hoff, Supervisor of Special Programs, and Mrs. Marlene Burroughs, Director of Headstart, to attend a Head Start Center visitation on Tuesday, August 5, at 9:30 a.m. Due to a prior commitment, Mr. Burch will be unable to attend and the Board of Education was notified of same.

Director of Finance

Mr. Burch suggested that Mr. W. S. Donaldson be asked to work for a few days per

week with same salary, for about a month, because of end-of-year work to be completed and job descriptions to be written. He could also work on a consulting basis. Mr. Bowles feels if there is a need to fill Mr. Donaldson's position, then someone should be hired to fill it. Mr. Burch stated he is agreeable to this, but Mr. Donaldson would be strictly on a temporary basis. We should also advertise to hire someone for the position of Director of Finance. Mr. Burch made a motion that the Commissioners immediately secure services along the lines discussed. Mr. Aud seconded the motion. Mr. Bowles abstained from voting.

Parks and Recreation

Mr. Burch asked the Commissioners if they are ready to proceed with the hiring of Mr. Myles Wagner, because a resolution would have to be passed outlining just what has to be done in order to start Mr. Wagner with a higher or lower base salary. For the first year, he would be on contract basis. The resolution and salary scale would become effective July 1, 1970. He would be employed at \$1,000 per month to become effective on or about September 1, 1969, during the probationary period which will terminate June 30, 1970, and if agreeable, will be considered for permanent status in Grade 13, Step 2, effective July 1, 1970. The Commissioners unanimously agreed to this arrangement.

Millison Building Permits

The Commissioners discussed with Mr. Buck Lawrence and Mr. William Herbert, assessments of 14 efficiency apartment trailers, erected by Mr. J. L. Millison, and fact that he had not obtained building permits for them. Also discussed the Beauty Salon and Beneficial Finance Company now being constructed in Millison Plaza, Lexington Park, owned by Patuxent Development Co., Inc. Mr. Aud stated that Mr. Millison had applied for building permits, but based the construction cost to be \$8,000 for each building. The Planning and Zoning Commission questioned this, as well as the Commissioners, and it was decided that the two building permits should not be issued. Mr. Lawrence was instructed to assess them and reported later in the day that he assessed the Beauty Salon at \$13,550 and the Finance Company at \$11,000. Mr. Millison reapplied for building permits according to the assessments and was issued same on July 16, 1969.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President