

November 4, 1969

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

Meeting convened at 8:50 a.m.

St. Andrews Church Road

Mr. J. D. Raley, SRC, stated that two residents on the subject road request that slopes be cleared and graded from the road up to the slope of their property. A total of \$600 is involved to do this work, according to Mr. Raley. The Commissioners decided to inspect the road before making a decision.

Trailer Parks

Dr. Alan D. Houser, County Health Officer and Mr. Walter Raum, Sanitarian. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss and make a decision regarding Mr. Art Puchetti's trailer park in Piney Point, and a possible moratorium on trailers in the county. Mr. Raum stated that Mr. Puchetti had been requested on many occasions to put in the necessary sewage facilities, but has failed to comply with regulations. On August 14, a letter was written by the Health Department to Mr. Puchetti with copies to the Commissioners and Planning and Zoning, requesting Mr. Puchetti to show cause why the additional sewage facilities had not been installed. His original plan was for 20 trailers and later, he requested an extension of 30 more trailers. The Commissioners approved the extension subject to the approval of the Health Department, provided that Mr. Puchetti enlarged his sewage facilities to handle the addition. To date, Mr. Puchetti has not conformed to regulations and currently has 33 trailers operating on facilities for 20. Dr. Houser suggested that this be turned over to Mr. David Williams, Assistant State's Attorney, and proper legal action taken. Mr. Raum stated if Mr. Cryer submitted the number of trailers in a trailer park to the Health Department when he makes inspections, it would be of assistance to them. Mr. Paul Raley stated he could provide Mr. Raum with the monthly reports he receives on trailer parks. Such reports could keep them informed of any number of trailers over the number allowed. Mr. David Williams joined the meeting at this point and was brought up to date on the discussion. He stated he could issue a warrant and have Mr. Puchetti post bond as he had not conformed to regulations. Mr. Burch stated he is of the opinion that the Commissioners should put some restriction on trailer parks. Mr. Aud stated there are trailer parks and additions up for approval by Planning and Zoning. Dr. Houser felt that any trailer courts north of Leonardtown would tend to attract military personnel from other counties. He stated if a moratorium was put on all trailers, a trailer park could be set up on the base for navy personnel, particularly the site of the old chief's housing, because of facilities already constructed.

Mr. Burch stated that the Tri-County Council is now working on a regional plan for trailer courts for all three counties. He suggested that Dr. John Mills and Mr. Leon Etzler meet with the Commissioners to discuss this regional plan and a possible moratorium for trailer courts. Dr. Mills and Mr. Etzler joined the meeting later in the day.

Dr. Mills discussed briefly the regional plan and stated sometime in the future



a disposal system would have to be planned for the Benedict area and such a system could be utilized by all three counties. He felt that possibly funds could be obtained from HUD for a regional plan and also money could be made available for rural areas under House Bill 29. Mr. Burch introduced Mr. Howard M. McCoy, Consultant to the State Health Department, and informed Mr. Etzler and Dr. Mills that Mr. McCoy is assisting with the preparation for approval for the Oakville Sanitary Landfill through the State Health Department. Mr. McCoy informed them of the different phases to be followed for approval of the landfill.

Mr. Burch stated the Commissioners feel some control is needed over the trailer parks and reviewed some of the problems being encountered with them, namely the one owned by Mr. Art Puchetti in Piney Point. Mr. Etzler stated the proposed zoning regulations that have been drafted deal with mobile homes and require new trailer parks to be a minimum of 25 acres. There is a provision that states a trailer park must be upgraded after three years to comply with regulations. Dr. Houser stated that the Commissioners can deal with trailer courts and individual trailers by adopting a resolution. Mr. Etzler stated by this resolution, the Commissioners could have authority to ban individual trailers and new courts and extensions of courts. They must first draw up a resolution, give public notice and hold a public hearing. He also stated the Commissioners would have to justify the moratorium and conduct further study. There are approximately 2,000 trailers in the county with an increase of 300 over last year. Mr. Etzler felt there is a justifiable need in the county for trailer courts because of a severe housing shortage. He stated that the Commissioners could decide on a temporary moratorium and then advertise the public hearing. The hearing would be held three weeks after the first date of publication. Ten days after the hearing the Commissioners can adopt the resolution which would state the reasons for the Commissioners decision. Mr. Etzler will draw up an appropriate resolution and submit it next week for the Commissioners approval.

#### Invoices Approved

Approved payment of \$100,370.85 to Dean and Beavers for construction on St. Andrews Church Road.

Mr. Burch and Mr. Aud approved payment of \$16.43 to CDR Gordon R. Otis, Manager of the Airport, for two beacon light bulbs for the Airport.

Approved payment of \$226.12 to Southern Maryland Wood Treating Corp. for additional creasoted materials ordered by Mr. J. D. Raley for Cornfield Harbor Bridge.

#### Proclamation for Youth Appreciation Week

The Commissioners approved and signed a Proclamation for Youth Appreciation Week as requested by the Optimists Club from November 10 to 16.

#### Oakville Sanitary Landfill

Mr. Howard M. McCoy, State Health Department, Mr. R. Moore and Mr. F. M. Latham, President, J. R. McCrone, Inc. Mr. Latham reviewed the enlarged maps of the landfill area prepared by Mr. McCoy and discussed the ravine that will be utilized first. Mr. Latham stated he would continue to consult with Mr. McCoy and will write



the Commissioners a letter of proposal for engineering cost.

Mr. Burch requested Mr. McCoy to obtain an enlarged map of the roads in Town Creek and Esperanza so that the Commissioners can decide upon having a road to tie in these two areas with the Naval Air Station.

#### Horse Landing Bridge.

Mr. Burch requested Mr. R. Moore to make a survey of the right-of-way on subject road past the bridge. Mr. Moore is to meet with Mr. J. D. Raley relative to this survey. Mr. Burch stated that a Mrs. Copsy had requested that this survey be made and that she will pay for the cost of the survey work.

#### Library Roof Bid Opening

Mr. Orin Bullock, Architect; Adm. T. B. Clark, Mrs. Mary Janssen, Pres., Board of Library Trustees, Mr. Russell Frazier and Alton Engineering Company. Sealed bids were received and opened for restoration of the Tudor Hall Library roof. The bid submitted by Frazier Lumber and Supply Company was in the amount of \$10,480. The following would be deducted if the Commissioners approved:

Alt. #1 - \$350.00    Alt. #2 - 864.00    Alt. #3 - \$300    Alt. #4 - \$1,200

Bid submitted by Alton Engineering Company was in the amount of \$48,000, with the following alternates:

Alt. #1 - \$2,500    Alt. #2 - \$900.00    Alt. #3 - \$1,500    Alt. #4 - \$1,000

Mr. Bullock suggested that the Commissioners accept the bid and the first alternate submitted by Frazier Lumber and Supply Company, and suggested that the bids be turned over to Mr. David Williams for review. The Commissioners are then to write a letter to Mr. Bullock stating their approval of the bid, and Mr. Bullock will then get approval from HUD. Mr. Bullock stated the contract has to be awarded in 30 days, with 90 calendar days to complete the work. The approval from HUD will take approximately three weeks. The Commissioners agreed to accept the bid submitted by Frazier Lumber and Supply Company, including Alternates 2, 3, and 4. Mr. Bullock stated that the entire restoration of the library will cost approximately \$200,000.

#### Economic Development Commission

The Commissioners were informed that Mr. J. Berkman Norris and Mr. Mark W. Miller have accepted two year appointments to this Commission. Mr. Burch requested that a letter be written to Mr. Buck Briscoe requesting him to meet with the newly appointed members before the initial meeting of the Commission.

#### Coin Operated Machines

Mr. Paul Raley reported that Mr. David Williams reviewed an Application for License for Coin Operated Machines as to whether the applicant is a bona fide resident and registered voter in St. Mary's County. The resolution was found in the Minute Book of December 1947, whereby the Commissioners set forth certain regulations for the operation of the coin operated machines. Mr. Williams stated that the Commissioners have the authority to set forth regulations.



This matter concerns Ades of Lexington, Inc., regarding kiddy rides that have not been licensed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Approved,

*F. Elliott Burch*

F. Elliott Burch, President