# County Commissioners Meeting

#### Tuesday, March 31, 1970

Present:

F. Elliott Burch, President J. Wilmer Bowles, Commissioner George R. Aud, Commissioner

David M. Williams, County Attorney
Helen M. Bailey, (Mrs.), Admin. Asst. (Recording)

The meeting came to order at 9:30 a.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, amended, and approved.

#### Payments Approved

Payment of \$760.00 to Hugh W. Wilkerson & Associates for survey and engineering work on Hermanville Road during the month of February, 1970.

#### Board of Education

The County Commissioners signed the necessary legal agreement with the State of Maryland in order to finalize the General Public School Construction Loan of 1967, in the amount of \$200,000, which is the balance available.

#### Personnel

Authorized the Office of Finance to advertise examinations which will be given for Stenographer, Account Clerk A, and Account Clerk B.

Authorized the Office of Finance to fill the secretarial vacancy which exists in the Office of the County Commissioners.

Authorized the Office of Finance to hire Mrs. Donna Norris to replace Miss Carole Poe and to provide for a one-week overlap for training purposes. Miss Poe will terminate her employment in the Sheriff's Department on July 24, 1970. Mrs. Norris will commence work on July 20, 1970, provided she successfully passes the necessary examination for employment.

Approved employment of Mrs. Eunice L. Tillman, on a part-time basis, to perform a typing project. This project was back-logged for a period of approximately one year due to a position vacancy in the Office.

## Metropolitan Commission Employees

The Metropolitan Commission requested that their employees be covered under the existing retirement and hospitalization plans now available to other employees of St. Mary's County. The County Commissioners requested Mr. Harris Sterling to look into this matter; however, it would be required that the Metropolitan Commission contribute the employer's share for retirement and hospitalization, and that any arrangements made would be under a contract arrangement between the County and the Metropolitan Commission.

The County Commissioners approved the Metropolitan Commission's employment of Myron G. Marlay, St. Mary's City, at a salary of \$8,500 per year, to replace Mr. Walter A. Miles, who has terminated his employment.

## Compton Public Trash Disposal Area

Mr. N. B. Greenwood, General Clifford Sayre, and Mrs. Virginia Martinez, residents of Society Hill, appeared to protest the unsightly condition of the Compton Dump which is located on the approach to their properties. A petition for correction of this situation was submitted and signed by the aforementioned parties, plus Joseph D. Weiner. Burch explained that the Commissioners were very much aware of the situation; that the caretaker had been ill for quite some time now; that there was consideration being given to closing the dump; and also that the Department of Health has a share of responsibility in this matter, but that no recommendations or action had been taken by the Department of Health. Mr. Burch stated that remedial steps would be taken in the immediate future and that the petitioning citizens would be advised of any decisions or actions taken in the matter.

# 1970 - 71 Budget, St. Mary's County

Summary appropriations for the 1970-71 St. Mary's County Budget were recommended by the County Commissioners in the following amounts:

	Request 1970-71	Recommended 1970-71
	\$108,137.07	
Judicial	92,850.75	\$108,237.94
Election		87,998.75
Finance		22,385.14
		113,977.62
Planning and Zoning		20,624.62
General Gov't Buildings	The state of the s	57,909.30
Community Promotion		105,826.50
Sheriff	174,396.75	174,396.75
Other Protection	84,987.97	84,987.97
Highways	578,328.73	569,328.73
Sanitation	27,544.66	27,544.66
Conservation of Health	227,670.00	227,170.00
Hospitals	70,966.00	47,964.00
Public Welfare	126,583.00	126,583.00
Corrections	14,543.49	14,543.49
Board of Education	2,994,352.00	1,996,352.00
Other Schools	175,000.00	175,000.00
Recreation	283,013.32	130,337.32
Agricultural Extension	44,000.00	33,914.00
Liquor Board	5,450.00	6,050.00
Miscellaneous	187,652.99	
Debt Service		187,652.99
	811,795.49	811,795.49
Total Budget	\$6,328,996.27	\$5,130,580.27

#### State Roads Commission Meeting

Present: Mr. Douglas Bond, SRC, and Mr. August H. Wagener, County Engineer

#### Golden Beach Sub-Division

Mrs. Doris Hodges of Golden Beach came in to request that Ronald Road, Bruce Road and Jefferson Road, Adams Road, and County Oak Road be added to the oiling schedule. Mrs. Hodges left sub-division maps and right-of-way sheets which were turned over to Mr. August H. Wagener, County Engineer, for recommendation concerning realignment of the entrance roads to Golden Beach, Inc.

#### Horse Landing Bridge

Mr. Leonard Copsey appeared to discuss the bridge project at Horse Landing. Mr. Copsey stated that on March 26, the State Roads Commission had graveled the road by his oyster house, raising the level of the road sufficiently to cause water to run off into his yard and into his oyster house. By virtue of this action, Mr. Copsey assumed that the County had taken over the road, but was advised that this was not the case since he had not signed the right-of-way papers. Mr. Copsey stated that he would sign the right-of-way papers if the County would put the bridge in and fix the pipes so that the water would not run into his oyster house and yard.

Mr. Wagener was requested to contact Hugh W. Wilkerson re a survey and the County Commissioners advised Mr. Copsey that a deed for the land, which he agreed to give, would be required.

# Airport Road

The County Commissioners voted to accept the Airport Road into the County system.

# St. Andrews Church Road

The County Commissioners voted to authorize Hugh W. Wilkerson and Associates to commence work on the survey and engineering on the remainder of St. Andrews Church Road.

# Closed Section of Route 235 (proposed)

The County Commissioners discussed the closed section of Route 235, proposed by the State Roads Commission, from Pegg's Lane north to Camp Saysf Road, and adopted the following policy:

"It is our intent and purpose to request the SRC to construct a dual highway with a median strip leading north from Pegg's Lane to Camp Saysf Road, and we firmly oppose the construction of a four-lane closed section. The County Commissioners are willing, if it is required, to make available the railroad right-of-way in the aforementioned section for the purpose of construction of the dual lane highway, with a median strip".

# Dean and Beavers vs. State Roads Commission

The County Commissioners agreed that Mr. David M. Williams, County Attorney, should set up and attend a meeting with Mr. Tate, District Engineer for the State Roads Commission, and Dean and Beavers in order to negotiate a settlement on the tamped fill question on St. Andrews Road.

Mr. James E. Shea, of Henningson, Durham and Richardson (Division of Thomas B. Bourne)

Mr. Shea appeared to pay a courtesy call on the County Commissioners and to present his employer's credentials for Planning, Architecture, Civil, Sanitary, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. Mr. Shea was placing emphasis on Sanitary Engineering in view of the passage of S. B. 534 (State Control of Water and Sewage Plants), which will require the County Governments to submit solid waste studies and obtain State approval of their plans.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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