

Board of County Commissioners' MeetingTuesday, April 11, 1972

Present: George R. Aud, President
 J. Wilmer Bowles, Commissioner
 J. S. Guy, Jr., Commissioner
 Paul R. Raley, Administrative Officer
 Robert E. Wigginton, County Attorney
 Viola M. Gardner (Mrs.), Admin. Asst. (Recording)

The meeting came to order at 10:00 A.M.

Confiscated Cars

Attorney Robert E. Wigginton reported that he had gone to Court with reference to the confiscated cars. He must place a "hold" on the others as the Public Notice must be rewritten due to a minor defect, and he will take care of this.

Bills Approved

B. A. Garner & Son - Hydroseeding Clements Landfill	\$1,306.80
Maryland School for the Blind - Tuition for 1/2 year	\$ 300.00
Delahay's Pile Driving Service - Tall Timbers Erosion District	\$1,253.00

Vouchers #1824-#1877 approved and signed by Mr. George R. Aud.

Visit of Candidate to Office

Mrs. Georgia Hodson of Harford County, who is running in the Democratic Primary for Congress and her associate, Mr. Lee, visited the Commissioners' Office after her appearance on the "Hot Line" Radio Show.

St. Andrews Landfill

The County Commissioners discussed the telephone call of Mr. Sims relative to dumping at St. Andrews Landfill the roofing debris from the Naval Base. He has more and would like to know the charges for using the Landfill. The Commissioners agreed on the sum of \$700. Mr. Sims' boss is to come in to see Mr. Raley.

Mr. Guy felt that a letter should be sent to the Commandant of Public Works at the Naval Base informing them that they should make arrangements for disposing of their material other than using the County's Landfills.

Essex South

The County Commissioners approved the traffic control signs for Essex South.

Route 5 and Cedar Lane

Mr. Paul R. Raley reported to the Commissioners that the State should pay the energy costs for the flashing lights at Route r and Cedar Lane, as the County does not pay energy costs for any of the other lights.

Charles Herbert's Bus Route

Mr. Paul R. Raley informed the Commissioners that Mr. Charles Herbert could not make satisfactory arrangements with Mr. Robert Adams for the purchase of his bus as Mr. Adams did not wish to pay the purchase price.

The Commissioners stated that under these circumstances Mr. Herbert must provide a satisfactory driver, since he still owns the bus. He has a new driver in the person of Mr. Joseph Neal.

Mr. Bowles was of the opinion that the driver should submit an application to this office prior to being hired as a School Bus Driver. He felt each contractor should be required to complete such an application and submit it to Mr. Raley for approval.

Roads Meeting

Present: Mr. J. Dennis Raley, Jr.
Mr. Douglas Bond

Mr. Aud reported that there was a gravel wash-out on the left-hand side of Patuxent Beach Road, just beyond the pond, about one-half mile in from the main highway.

Mr. Bowles reported on Mary Dixon Road. He requested that it be placed on the Surface Treatment Schedule for 1972. The work should extend from Route 235 to as far as is deemed appropriate by the State Highway Administration.

Mr. J. Dennis Raley, Jr. informed the Commissioners that two employees at the Clements Landfill were planning to leave, namely, Mr. Charles Anthony Hill and Mr. Raymond Woodburn, and he would need replacements. Mr. Raley was informed to send in his recommendations in form of five (5) names, from which selections will be made.

Mr. Raley also reported on the following:

Clements Landfill - This landfill has had fertilizer placed on it and it has been seeded.

St. Mary's County Airport - The Airport has been fertilized and limed and he will sow grass seed next week. He further stated

that the inspector from the Federal Aviation Administration made an inspection of the trees. He instructed them as to which trees were to be "topped" and those that should be "bulldozed". There is much more work to be done.

Oiling Schedule

Mr. Douglas Bond discussed with the Commissioners last year's oiling schedule. He was instructed to go ahead with it. The total estimate for last year's work was \$109,636.20. As of the present time, the State has sent a bill for \$74,972.28. The County owes the State approximately \$110,000.00 to complete last year's oiling schedule. He requested a check for \$60,000, as they were previously given only \$50,000, and the County owed them approximately \$25,000 for work completed. This will only give him about \$35,000 with which to work. With weather permitting, he will complete the oiling schedule within the next two weeks.

Special Program Grant - Housing

Present: Dr. J. Patrick Jarboe, Chairman Housing Authority
 Mrs. Hope Martin, County Agent
 Miss Christie Selph, St. Mary's Beacon
 Mr. Dick Myers - WKIK
 Mr. Jack Kershaw - Enterprise
 Mr. B. Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

Dr. Jarboe and Mrs. Martin appeared before the Commissioners to present a proposal which would assist the County in the housing situation, and would not cost the County very much.

The overall proposal would include a Home Economist, Program Assistant and Extension Aide - Housing, at a total cost of \$31,425. The County would only be responsible for \$5,000 of this total amount, which would be for a staff member from the Extension Service, namely, the Extension Aide - Housing. The money for the greater portion of the funding in the proposal (\$25,000) would be supplied by the Federal Government (HUD), and the remainder of \$1,425 would come from a special fund of the County Extension Service.

The Home Economist would work full time in housing, with the Public Housing Authority in St. Mary's County, and also with SATAV. The Program Assistant could be assigned to Public Housing as Executive Director and his salary could be supplemented by funds which Dr. Jarboe is expecting. Also a half-time secretary could be paid for from these funds. They have office space for this person.

Mrs. Martin further stated that this is a one year proposal, but it has been suggested that they ask that it be funded for three years. They felt that after three years, the Housing Authority would be well established, and there would be enough funds from HUD for the Housing Authority to take over.

They are asking the County for the Extension Aide - Housing, whose salary would be \$5,000, and this could be funded through the Extension Service.

The Commissioners were concerned as to whether the County could legally do this. Mrs. Martin informed them that the County had previously funded Extension Aides, and this would be the same. Their deadline date is July 1, 1972 for the proposal to be submitted, and it is being expedited by the State.

Mr. Bowles stated that it sounded very encouraging.

Mr. Aud informed them the Commissioners would consult with the Director of Finance, and let them know in a few days.

Microfilming of Bids

Mr. Paul R. Raley, Administrative Officer, reported to the Commissioners that Dodge Reports requested that they be supplied with all specifications and bids. They would do all microfilming on all bids over \$50,000. The Commissioners were unanimously in favor of doing this.

Dobry (Darby) Road

Mr. Paul R. Raley, informed the Commissioners that Mrs. Buckley had asked about repairs to Dobry (Darby) Road. The Commissioners stated that Mr. August H. Wagener, County Engineer, was looking into this.

Esperanza Car Wash Contract

The County Commissioners were informed by Mr. Paul R. Raley that the Esperanza Car Wash Contract had expired, and it would not be renewed.

HB 1154 - Sheriff's Department

Mr. B. Harris Sterling, reported to the County Commissioners that HB 1154 had been passed by the General Assembly, which gives the Sheriff the power to appoint the Keeper of the Jail, together with other powers, such as appropriation of public funds.

The County Commissioners were quite concerned about the Bill and requested that the Governor's Office be notified to have the Bill vetoed. After further discussion on this matter, the Commissioners advised Attorney Robert E. Wigginton to contact the Attorney General and request that he look over the Bill to determine if it is in order.

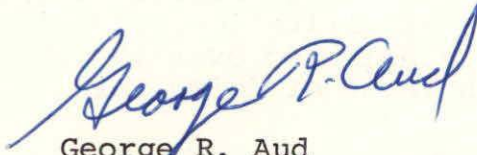
Board of Education Budget

Mr. B. Harris Sterling, Director of Finance, reported to the Commissioners that Mr. John Little of David Gruber & Co. said a written communication should be sent to the Board of Education regarding the supplemental payment requested by them. He read a rough draft of the communication to be sent, as drafted by Mr. Little.

The County Commissioners inquired as to whether or not this supplemental payment was part of the \$200,000 contingency, to which Mr. Sterling replied in the negative.

The \$200,000 was based on other income to be received by the Board of Education, and the \$156,493.00 to be paid by the Commissioners is another thing. The Commissioners voted to withhold the letter to a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 P.M.



George R. Aud
President