

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETINGTuesday, June 5, 1973 and Wednesday, June 6, 1973Tuesday, June 5, 1973

Present: Commissioner J. Wilmer Bowles, President
Commissioner George R. Aud
Commissioner J. S. Guy, Jr.
Paul R. Raley, Administrative Officer
Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

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

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR BUDGET OFFICER

The Commissioners reviewed applications for Budget Officer during the morning session of the meeting.

READING OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 29-30, 1973, were read and corrected.

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Present: John Norris, Asst. County Engineer
Robert Willard, Planning Director

Mr. Norris requested that Mr. Herschel V. McLeod, who gave property for St. Andrews Church Road, have his fence replaced due to the construction of St. Andrews Church Road. The Commissioners were in unanimous agreement to have the fence replaced or reimburse Mr. McLeod for the fence.

ROAD POLICY OF DECEMBER 26, 1972

Present: John Norris
Robert Willard

Mr. Norris stated that he and Bob Willard have been making a study of the impact of development on county roads and have been seeking a way to satisfy the requirements of the policy. A fair and equitable way of reducing the impact would be some type of assessment of the development based on several things: (1) Density being placed on property, (2) The footage that would front on a county road, (3) The distance which the county system is going to be traveled on.

Mr. Norris stated they had worked up an analysis using those three criteria which would provide capital for county road construction and hopefully provide the developer's share for reconstructing those roads upon which the developer would be utilizing. Mr. Norris said it may tend to concentrate development on those designated roads which are state roads.

Mr. Willard said the formula devised is as follows: A developer must pay one half the construction cost of the county road in which his development will front plus 10% of the cost of constructing the county road to a designated state highway; this distance would be a maximum of two miles. In addition to these two costs, he would pay \$100 per dwelling unit as indicated by his plan.

Commissioner Guy stated the short range plan would be to provide an acceptable road policy and the long range plan would be to make new residents pay for services. All the people already here should not have to pay for people moving in and for their services.

Commissioner Bowles requested John Norris and Bob Willard to recommend a fair policy which will generate money for services and present this to the Commissioners after it is developed; also have the County Attorney review the policy.

DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM

Present: Ed Cox, Executive Secretary, Youth Commission
 Brother Farrell
 Dr. Pat Hawkins, Project Director for the Southern
 Maryland Drug Abuse Program

Dr. Pat Hawkins presented a copy of the grant explaining what has happened with the Drug Abuse Program and setting forth additional programs. Although there is a letter of agreement, the Commissioners' signature is needed on the budget request. Commissioner Bowles stated he would like to look through it, sign and return it later. \$10,000 is St. Mary's County's share. Dr. Hawkins stated the Federal Government will be accepting grants the first of November and they will grant to the State under a contract basis and the State will subcontract to the individual programs. There is a good chance of receiving funds from the Federal Government.

Dr. Hawkins discussed the progress of the various programs. There are plans to work cooperatively with the schools in the Fall, and she will be discussing this with Dr. King, Superintendent of Schools.

Starting the first of July, there will be someone twenty-four hours a day at the Walden Counseling Center; however, at 12:00 midnight, the phones will be switched over to Bumpy Oak.

At this time, discussion took place concerning the large drug abuse problem within the schools.

ALLEN REPORT

Present: John Baggett, Director of Recreation and Parks

John Baggett presented a copy of the preliminary Allen Report. There is 30 days for this report to be reviewed and make recommendations to Mr. Allen for a final report. Mr. Baggett requested permission from the Commissioners to allow him to hold the first

public hearing on the preliminary plan and then submit recommendations to Mr. Allen who would then hold the final hearing. All Commissioners were in unanimous agreement for Mr. Baggett to hold the first public hearing.

VANDALISM IN THE PARKS

Present: John Baggett, Director of Recreation and Parks

Mr. Baggett stated he had a meeting with Joseph Weiner, County Attorney, Sheriff Lawrence Williams, Lt. Cumberland, and Sgt. Carl Muchow on May 29, concerning vandalism at Nicolet Park and Great Mills High School Park. Vandalism is becoming dangerous and it is getting to the point where we will have to prosecute the vandals. "No Trespassing" signs have been posted in the parks but have been removed by vandals. Mr. Baggett said the parks would be patrolled and "No Trespassing" signs are being made. He would be willing to swear out a warrant for the vandals and testify in court that signs were posted. Commissioner Bowles suggested having pictures taken of the signs to show they were posted.

TRASH COLLECTION

Present: John Baggett, Director of Recreation and Parks

Mr. Baggett stated that dumpsters were being placed at the recreational area at Swann's in Piney Point by John V. Curtis during the month of June.

Mr. Baggett recommended that John V. Curtis & Son be awarded the bid for trash collection at Piney Point and Smith's Creek in the amount of \$240 for a four month period, Buddy's Disposal Service be awarded the bid for trash collection at Chaptico and Bushwood in the amount of \$160 for a four month period and Banagan's Septic Service be awarded the bid for portable toilets to be placed at Piney Point, Bushwood, and Smith's Creek and cleaned twice a week in the amount of \$230 per month. Commissioner Guy made a motion to accept Mr. Baggett's recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

OCEAN HALL PROPERTY

Present: John Baggett, Director of Recreation and Parks

Mr. Baggett stated that Ocean Hall property, presently owned by J. Frank Blackistone, is for sale. The property consists of about 100 acres and is located next to Bushwood Wharf. Mr. Baggett said this property would make a good waterfront park and because of its historical value, the house could be a museum. \$250,000 is the asking price, which includes the farm house and tenant house. The area could be tourist oriented and also a community water park. The Commissioners were in unanimous agreement for Mr. Baggett to pursue this project and develop further information, including price, money available, etc.

DEPUTY FOR DISTRICT COURT

Present: Sheriff Williams

Commissioner Bowles explained to Sheriff Williams the request made by Judge Sterling to have police protection during the hearings on criminal cases. This would take 20 man hours per week and the State would reimburse the County for these 20 hours. Commissioner Bowles further stated that the Commissioners were in agreement that a deputy should be provided. Sheriff Williams said this would mean he would lose a deputy off the road for those twenty hours a week, therefore, he would like to hire another deputy. The Sheriff also mentioned the possibility of District Court hiring their own constable or bailiff. Commissioner Bowles said that because it is only 20 hours a week, it may be difficult for the Court to hire someone for just that amount of time. Sheriff Williams said he would discuss the situation with Judge Sterling.

MECHANICSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT CARNIVAL

Present: Sheriff Williams

Sheriff Williams asked the Commissioners about the request from the Mechanicsville Fire Department for police to patrol the area during carnivals. The Commissioners said they are in agreement to do the same as last year - to pay overtime to the deputies for this. Sheriff Williams is to respond to the Fire Department's letter.

EXCHANGE OF DEPUTIES IN DRUG RELATED CASES

Present: Sheriff Williams

Sheriff Williams stated he received a request from Charles County for St. Mary's County to enter into an exchange of deputies with Charles County, Prince George's County, and possibly Washington, D. C. and the northern part of Virginia in drug related cases. If a deputy is injured in another county, he would be covered by his own county.

BILLS APPROVED

The following bills were unanimously approved by the County Commissioners:

St. Mary's County Historical Society for office salary for the operation of the St. Mary's County Tourist Information Center for the month of April 1973 in the amount of \$416.68.

St. Mary's County Historical Society for office salary for the operation of St. Mary's County Tourist Information Center for the month of May 1973 in the amount of \$416.66.

INDIAN CREEK ESTATES

Present: John Norris
Bob Willard

Commissioner Aud made a motion that the request made by Oliver Guyther to make an exception to the Road Policy of December 26, 1972 for Indian Creek Estates be granted if certain conditions, which will be set forth in a letter to Mr. Guyther are followed. Commissioner Guy seconded the motion and Commissioner Bowles made it unanimous. Mr. Norris stated an agreement will have to be drawn up between both parties.

COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWAGE PLAN

Present: John Norris
Bob Willard

Mr. Willard stated he had reviewed Mr. Beavin's contract, the consultant for the updating of the Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan, and asked if the plan should meet the Regulations of the State Health Department. Commissioner Aud stated it was because of these Regulations that others did not submit a bid to update the plan. Mr. Willard asked who gives the final approval for the plan and Commissioner Bowles said the Commissioners first approve and then submit it to the State Health Department for final approval.

ANGELOS C. DEMETRIOU CONTRACT

Present: John Norris
Bob Willard

Mr. Willard stated he had reviewed the Contract for Angelos C. Demetriou, Consultant for the Land Use Plan, and the Contract states that the Tri-County Council gets all originals and the Commissioners receive two copies. Mr. Willard was of the opinion that the County should receive all originals. Commissioner Bowles stated the Contract has not been signed by the Commissioners and the County should receive all originals and more than two copies.

KITTS POINT

Present: John Norris
Bob Willard

Mr. Willard presented a report of the review of Kitts Point project, which is in conjunction with the report submitted by the Tri-County Council. After reading the report, which is on file in the County Commissioners' Office, Mr. Willard discussed the point of discharge. He said the Tri-County Council report considered that any change in the water and sewage plan to meet the needs of one developer would be setting a precedent. Mr. Willard was of the opinion that no precedent was being set because the plan must be updated each year.

VOUCHERS APPROVED

The Commissioners unanimously approved Vouchers No. 4800 through 5001 dated May 4, 1973 through June 4, 1973.

The meeting recessed at 6:20 p.m.

Wednesday, June 6, 1973

Present: Commissioner J. Wilmer Bowles, President
 Commissioner J. S. Guy, Jr.
 Paul R. Raley, Administrative Officer
 Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary
 (Commissioner Aud was not in attendance)

The meeting reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

Also present were Jack Kershaw, Enterprise, Patty Muchow, Beacon, Dick Myers, WKIK, Dave Fox, WPTX, Pat Breslin, WKIK, Judy Hewitt, WPTX.

KITTS POINT

Present: Victor Reynolds, Developer
 Walter Schroeder, Associate
 Donald Pregoy
 Arthur "Buck" Briscoe, Director, EDC
 Joseph D. Weiner, County Attorney
 Bob Willard, Planning Director

Mr. Reynolds presented a letter to the Commissioners relating to the report by the Tri-County Council reviewing the Kitts Point project. Mr. Reynolds' letter set forth his opinion on the inaccuracies of the Tri-County Council Report.

Mr. Reynolds mentioned that high flood conditions were referred to in the Tri-County Council Report, and he stated that he had worked with Mr. Cassanova of Department of Natural Resources, who submitted reports of tidal levels going back to 1945, and there were additional reports dating back to 1884. There are no records to indicate that the tides in the Kitts Point area have been over 4.3 feet. The land would be six feet high after bulkheading, and the chance of flooding would be practically nil. Mr. Reynolds stated that there are many things to be done to enhance the layout of the project, and he would be flexible and willing to make any changes within reason.

Mr. Reynolds discussed the point of discharge for Kitts Point and said he had asked Mr. Beavin, Consultant for updating the Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan, if he was addressing himself to include this project in his plan. Mr. Beavin had suggested spray irrigation and Mr. Reynolds said he doubted the value of it from an agricultural point of view. However, as a means of disposal in woodlands, Mr. Reynolds said he had no objection to that. The Health Department is opposed to spray irrigation.

Mr. Reynolds stated that Mr. Beavin had suggested that sewage from St. Mary's College would go to Kitts Point and also connect with NESTEF if they remain.

Mr. Willard said that Kitts Point looks like the logical point of discharge, however, it should not be at the expense of the county to change the point of discharge. Mr. Willard said a study should be made of the area including Smith's Creek and also the question of Carroll Pond being the point of discharge. Information is needed on how to phase in the system. Mr. Willard said Mr. Beavin should address himself to this in his report.

Mr. Reynolds stated that it would be his obligation to install sufficient facilities to handle 100 gallons a day per capita. His plant would be 50% over-designed from the start. He said he did not feel that he should be financially liable for putting in additional modules other than what he would be committed for. Mr. Reynolds said he would be willing to work with the county's engineering studies by making available funds to offset costs that the county would have to hire someone in relation to Kitts Point.

Mr. Reynolds asked about a public hearing and Commissioner Bowles stated there will be a public hearing on the updating of the Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan and if the plan addresses this area, a special or second meeting would not be necessary.

Commissioner Guy stated that once the hearing is held and the Commissioners approve the change, some type of agreement between the Commissioners and Mr. Reynolds should be made subject to completion of the hearing and approval of the point of discharge. Mr. Reynolds said he would be willing to have such an agreement.

CHAIN LINK FENCE FOR CONTROL CENTER

Commissioner Guy made a motion for Commissioner Bowles to sign the contract between Civil Defense Emergency Planning Agency and B and J Nursery for the chain link fence around the vent shaft at the Control Center in the amount of \$1,065, seconded by Commissioner Bowles and signed same.

COURT REPORTER (LEAVE WITHOUT PAY)

Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve leave without pay for Mrs. Norma Miller, Court Reporter, from June 19 through June 29, 1973, seconded by Commissioner Bowles.

PRESS CONFERENCE

Present: Jack Kershaw, Enterprise
Patty Muchow, Beacon
Dave Fox, WPTX
Dick Myers, WKIK

The regular monthly Press Conference was held at this time. A tape of the Press Conference is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

ZONING HEARING (ROBERT HALL)

The zoning hearing of Robert Hall from "unzoned" to "commercial" was unable to be held due to the fact there were no opponents or proponents present.

ROAD BOND AGREEMENT

Commissioner Guy made a motion for Commissioner Bowles to sign the Road Bond Agreement with the State Highway Administration in the amount of \$450,000, seconded by Commissioner Bowles and signed same.

TAXICAB SERVICE

A letter was received from Joseph Giardina of Public Service Commission stating that Mr. Willie W. Hutcherson requested a permit to operate a taxicab service in Lexington Park. He is presently certified to operate this service in Leonardtown. The Commissioners had no objection to this.

SPEED SIGN - HEWITT ROAD

Commissioner Guy made a motion that Commissioner Bowles sign the Resolution that a 35 mile per hour speed limit sign and a "Children at Play" sign be placed on Hewitt Road and Chancellors Run Road, seconded by Commissioner Bowles and signed same.

DAY CAMP SITE FOR GIRL SCOUTS

Present: Ruth Reid, Field Director of Tri-County Area Girl Scouts
Mary Novotny, Field Representative, St. Mary's County
Girl Scouts

Mrs. Reid stated that the Girl Scouts can no longer use the property at Camp Casoma because of the watershed project and, therefore, are seeking a new site. Three or four acres are needed in the upper part of the county. Mrs. Reid said the Oakville Landfill area had been suggested but they were concerned about access to the area. Commissioner Bowles stated that someone should make an on-site investigation to determine if there is an access. The Commissioners recommended that Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Novotny speak to John Norris about looking at the landfill site. The Commissioners had no objection to the site being used as a camp if it is feasible for their purposes.

Commissioner Guy stated that after the landfill has fulfilled its purpose, it is planned as a recreational area. Also, not all of the property may be used as a landfill and this could be looked at from a long range use. Commissioner Guy suggested that one of the men at the landfill may be able to bulldoze the property to make an access.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

J. Wilmer Bowles 4/27/73
J. Wilmer Bowles, President

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETINGWednesday, June 13, 1973 and Thursday, June 14, 1973Wednesday, June 13, 1973

Present: Commissioner J. Wilmer Bowles, President
 Commissioner J. S. Guy, Jr.
 Commissioner George R. Aud
 Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

Also present were: Richard Polk, Enterprise, Pat Breslin, WKIK,
 Judy Hewitt, WPTX, and Patty Muchow, Beacon.

The meeting came to order at 10:00 a.m.

OPPOSITION TO DEEP WATER PORT

Present: Oran Wilkerson)
 Jean Wilkerson)
 Mildred Lindner) Patuxent River Citizens Assoc.
 Gordon Lindner)

James W. Stancil)
 Edward N. LeFaivre) Patuxent Beach Community Assoc.
 Mrs. Alice Connick)

Russell H. Anderson)
 Fred T. Marshall) Drumcliff's Assoc.
 Lloyd S. Miller)

Truman Haskell, Potomac River Assoc.
 David Sayre, St. Mary's Watermen's Assoc.
 John C. Benson, Golden Beach Assoc.
 George H. Werner, interested citizen
 John G. Norris, interested citizen
 Frank Sakran, interested citizen
 Judy O'Brien, O'Brien Realty

The above groups and individuals came before the Commissioners to express their opposition to the deep water port, which has been proposed by Oliver Guyther. Written statements were submitted by Oran Wilkerson, Alice B. Connick, James W. Stancil, Gordon Lindner, and Russell Anderson and are on file in the Commissioners' Office.

Judy O'Brien expressed the opinion that the Commissioners have no right to make a decision on any proposal that affects the use of our waters that belong to all of the people without first adopting a policy as to the nature and purpose of the rivers in this county.

David Sayre, Chairman, St. Mary's County Watermen's Association, stated there are approximately 1,100 watermen, and they are opposed to the deep water port because of the possibility of pollution of the waters and the hazardous situation to the watermen created by the ships turning in the waters.

Truman Haskell stated that the Potomac River Association opposed the deep water port because of pollution, which cannot be stopped once it is started. He felt a more thorough study should be made of the situation before the Commissioners make a final decision and more facts should be obtained. Mr. Haskell said the proposal was nebulous, and there are no assurances that Mr. Guyther will follow through with what he proposes to do. Also, no franchises have been obtained. Mr. Haskell suggested holding a public hearing after a study has been made and the economic and pollution factors have been obtained.

Mr. John C. Benson stated he was very pleased to learn of the efforts being made by Governor Mandel to clean up the pollution above St. Mary's County, which has ruined our recreational areas as they are tourist attractions. The food values obtainable from the Patuxent have also been ruined. The Patuxent River does not have the purge action that larger rivers have and would be much more easily contaminated.

Mr. Frank Sakran said it is a very important decision to make and if the wrong one is made, it could not be corrected.

Commissioner Bowles stated that the Commissioners have not rendered any decision, and they have questioned Mr. Guyther as to the benefits, if any, to St. Mary's County. The Commissioners will not make a decision without a complete and thorough indepth study and a guarantee of the proposed pluses. No action will be taken without an appropriate public hearing. Everyone is aware of the pollution problem of our waters and a great percentage, if not all, has come to us from areas outside of St. Mary's County. The Commissioners can only assist and cooperate with the citizens, the legislators and state agencies to prevent this. The members of the General Assembly are far more effective than the County Commissioners in dealing with state agencies who have the authority and control to prevent pollution in our waters. Commissioner Bowles suggested there should be a joint effort directed towards the state agencies and the legislative delegation in dealing with pollution. Although the Governor has spoken very commendable on this subject, the legislators must cause the state agencies to act if we are to prevent pollution and correct the already polluted area. Mr. Stancil stated they would agree to working with the Commissioners on this.

Commissioner Aud asked each group what their position was on the Kitts Point project. Each group stated they had not taken any stand on the subject, however, David Sayre, representing the Watermen's Association, said he did object. Commissioner Aud said "Kitts Point is asking for a point of discharge in oyster beds, and yet none of your groups took a stand because it is not near your homes."

Commissioner Guy inquired of those present if any of their organizations had invited Mr. Buckley, owner of the proposed site for the port, Mr. Guyther, Attorney, or Mr. Gillispie, Assistant to Mr. Guyther, to appear before their groups and hear a presentation

on the deep water port. Mr. Linder said none of the groups had. Commissioner Guy said these groups should give Mr. Guyther an opportunity to present his proposal and not just listen to the news media and the County Commissioners. Objections should not just be based on the fact that Kitts Point or the port is in their neighborhood. The Commissioners have to make an indepth study before any decision can be made.

Commissioner Bowles said it had been suggested that the Tri-County Council make a study of the impact of the port. The Tri-County Council has failed to protect the Tri-County area from being polluted from other counties. The Commissioners do plan to make an indepth study, however, the Tri-County Council could be considered as a party to any study but would not be required to make the study. Pollution is a local, regional and state problem and unless we direct our energies to all three, we are not going to protect our waters from pollution. The Commissioners have a responsibility to do everything possible and we are committed to do that but are limited. The public has more political strength than the Commissioners with the legislators and state agencies.

The Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan and the various points of discharge were discussed and the Commissioners urged everyone to attend the public hearings on the plan. Mr. Wilkerson said they would continue to pressure state agencies, delegates and senators to see that the present health regulations and laws concerning sewage are observed.

WILLOWS RUN SUBDIVISION (HOUSING AUTHORITY)

Present: Dr. Patrick Jarboe, Chairman, Housing Authority
 Don Curtis, Housing Authority
 Clarke Raley, Attorney
 Charles Hayes, F. M. O'Neal Construction Company

Dr. Jarboe stated a water permit had been issued by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene dated June 8, 1973. However, a letter was received from Mr. Bingley, Chief of the Division of Water and Sewage, State Health Department, that the permit was issued in error and it is now inoperable and could not be used for construction purposes until the updating of the Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan is completed. Dr. Jarboe said they would like a building permit within 24 hours. Clarke Raley stated that the Health Department has put them in a position that something must be done and there are two options: (1) Go ahead and build without a permit and invite suit for injunction; (2) Apply for a writ of mandamus to compel the local Health Department to "stand" on its plat. Either one or both alternatives will be done by Monday.

Mr. Hayes stated the project has been frustrated by all agencies and the County has made a committment to low-cost housing.

Commissioner Guy stated the Commissioners will be meeting with Mr. Beavin in the afternoon to discuss the water and sewage plan. The

Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan should be completed within 30 days. Clarke Raley said court action could take a year or more. He also said that due to the delays they have experienced to date they were not willing to wait another 30 days but felt the court action was the proper course.

Dr. Jarboe said he would like to make a strong plea for the Commissioners to look at all the facts; namely, that the developer has complied with all requirements for a building permit. There is some discrepancy between the different agencies.

Commissioner Bowles said the Commissioners will be meeting with Mr. Beavin and this matter will be discussed.

COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWAGE PLAN

Present: Mr. Benjamin E. Beavin, Engineering Consultant
Ed St. George, Beavin Company
Leon Etzler, Maryland State Planning Agency
Dr. William Marek, Health Department
Walter Raum, Health Department

Mr. Beavin presented a preliminary progress report of the Comprehensive Water and Sewage Plan.

During the presentation the following changes were recommended for the Comprehensive Plans prior to the public hearing:

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| 1. Wicomico Shores Subdivision
(delete S-4 area around the
Wicomico Shores Subdivision) | S-2 |
| 2. Mill Point Shores (reduce to
subdivision size) | S-4 |
| 3. Longview Beach (reduce to subdivision size) | S-4 |
| 4. Dukehart's Creek | S-4 |
| 5. St. Clement's Shores Subdivision | S-4 |
| 6. Society Hill (Breton Bay) | S-4 |
| 7. Leonardtown (area surrounding
corporate limits) | S-3 |
| (a) Technical Center area | S-3 |
| (b) Planning area to Cedar Lane | S-4 |
| (c) Flood Creek | S-4 |
| 8. Piney Point | S-3 |
| 9. St. George's Island | S-4 |

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| 10. Kitts Point (as a possible point of discharge for a sub-sanitary district) | S-4 |
| 11. Point Lookout | S-5 |
| 12. Carroll Pond | S-4 |
| 13. Mattapany Sanitary District | |
| (a) St. Mary's City Interceptor
(from Pine Hill Run Treatment Plant to St. Mary's City) | S-4 |
| (b) Industrial Site - St. Mary's County Airport | S-3 |
| (c) Willows Run Farm | W-2 |
| 14. Golden Beach Subdivision
(original subdivision) | S-4 |

Mr. Beavin is to revise the preliminary plans and include the above changes and report back to the Commissioners. He will attempt to have the revised plans available for final review in about ten days.

WILLOWS RUN SUBDIVISION (HOUSING AUTHORITY PROJECT)

Commissioner Bowles stated that Mr. William Chapman, builder, had requested the Commissioners to write a letter to the State Health Department containing the same information as the letter of June 4 from the Metropolitan Commission. Commissioners Guy and Aud were of the opinion that such a letter should not be written. Commissioner Bowles then asked for a decision on Dr. Jarboe's request for a building permit. Commissioner Guy said they should wait until the Comprehensive Water Plan revision is completed. Waiting another 30 days or so would not be harmful.

The Commissioners requested Mr. Beavin to include a category for the Willows Run Subdivision to permit the installation of a community water system. Therefore, it was decided that it would be under the W-2 category. The Commissioners felt this was cooperating fully with the Housing Authority and acted to the extent of their authority in regards to the issuing of building permits.

WICOMICO SHORES (LOT 78)

Present: John Norris, Asst. County Engineer

Mr. Norris stated that Mr. William E. Evans, owner of Lot 78, Wicomico Shores, requested an on-site holding tank for sewage. Since it is in the S-3 and W-3 category, a holding tank would not be approved, but would need some form of a public system.

SUMMERTIME EMPLOYMENT IN ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Mr. William Herbert, Supervisor of Assessment, submitted a request for summertime help in the Assessor's Office. Commissioner

Guy made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

The meeting recessed at 6:35 p.m.

Thursday, June 14, 1973

Present: Commissioner J. Wilmer Bowles, President
 Commissioner George R. Aud
 Commissioner J. S. Guy, Jr.
 Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

The meeting reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

READING OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 5-6, 1973 were read and corrected.

Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting (St. Mary's Leased Housing Corp.) of April 26, 1973, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles and signed same.

BILL SUBMITTED BY ROBERT WILLARD, PLANNER

Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve payment to Mr. Robert Willard in the amount of \$674.60 for eight days work and travel expense, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Present: Harris Sterling

Mr. Sterling stated he received a letter from the Department of Personnel stating that Chapter 460 of the Retirement Laws of 1973 provides a guarantee of 1/55 of the retirement allowance of the average final salary. This increased benefit will apply to retirees on the payroll as of July 1, 1973. Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve this, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

METROPOLITAN COMMISSION

Commissioner Guy made a motion that George McWilliams, III, representing the Seventh District, be reappointed to the Metropolitan Commission, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

INTERVIEWS WITH APPLICANTS FOR BUDGET OFFICER

The Commissioners interviewed applicants for Budget Officer for the remainder of the day.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

J. Wilmer Bowles 6/27/73
 J. Wilmer Bowles, President