

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Tuesday, March 26, 1974

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

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

READING OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 19, 1974 were read and corrected.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve the minutes of February 26, 1974, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles, who signed same.

Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve the minutes of March 5, 1974, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles, who signed same.

Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve the minutes of March 12, 1974, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles, who signed same.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

The following bills were approved by the Commissioners:

Beavin Company, dated December 31, 1973, for court testimony (Housing Authority vs. County Commissioners) - \$224.60;

State Highway Administration, dated March 12, 1974 for construction inspection and material research on St. Andrews Church Road for month of December 1973 - \$2,725.62.

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH ROAD - ESTIMATES NO. 4 and 5

Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve Estimates No. 4 (\$5,328.45) and 5 (\$8,754.30) from Regal Construction Company for reconstruction of St. Andrews Church Road - Contract No. SM-599-1-518 and authorize Commissioner Bowles to sign same, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 235 AND CHANCELLORS RUN ROAD

Commissioner Bowles stated he received a telephone call from the State Highway Administration in reference to their letter of October 31, 1973 concerning the county's participation in the installation cost of the traffic control signal at the above intersection. The Commissioners agreed that a letter be forwarded to the State Highway Administration stating that the light in question is to direct and control traffic and safety on a dual state highway and, therefore, it is the State's responsibility to pay for the construction and energy costs.

PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS (SUPPLEMENTS)

Last year the cost of the above supplements was \$2.50 each and 300 were ordered; however, only about 100 were used. Ed Cox stated that this year the cost is \$5.00 each, and therefore, recommended that only 100 be ordered. Commissioner Aud made a motion to accept Mr. Cox's recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

Ed Cox stated that Marvin Joy, Chairman, Bicentennial Commission, requested that a secretary be assigned to the Commission to attend meetings and act as assistant secretary to the Bicentennial Commission. The Bicentennial Commission also requested assistance from the Finance Office for handling and disbursing of funds. Ed Cox is to discuss the financing with Mr. McGlade, Comptroller and Mr. Sterling, Finance Director, because these funds would be donated private funds and would need special handling. Ed Cox is to discuss the secretarial help with Marvin Joy to clarify exactly what is needed.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
COMMISSION ON AGING

Present: Henry J. Fisher, Executive Secretary
Commission on Aging

Ed Cox introduced Henry Fisher, the new Executive Secretary to the Commission on Aging, to the Commissioners. Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve Mr. Fisher's Employment Contract, effective March 26, 1974, and to authorize Commissioner Bowles to sign same, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

RECLASSIFICATION REQUEST
LINDA DELOZIER (RECREATION AND PARKS)

John Baggett, Director, Recreation and Parks, forwarded a request to the Commissioners to reclassify Linda DeLozier from Secretary A to Secretary B, effective July 1, 1974. Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve this reclassification, subject to approval from the Commissioner of Personnel, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

PRESS RELEASE
SCHOLARSHIPS

The Commissioners agreed to release the Press Release concerning the requirements that must be met for the four \$300 scholarships that the Commissioners award each year.

ASSISTANT FOR JOSEPH "SKIP" JONES (MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE
SUPERVISOR)

Ed Cox stated that the Work Incentive Program would be willing to submit applicants for this position and would pay the salary for one year. The Commissioners' Office would do the interviewing and hiring. Commissioner Aud made a motion authorizing Ed Cox to pursue this, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

TRI-COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU

Ed Cox stated he received an inquiry from Ardath Mason Cade of Charles County as to St. Mary's County Commissioners' position concerning funding of the Tri-County Youth Services Bureau. Mr. Cox is to forward a letter to Mrs. Cade informing her that we are in the budgeting process and hope that funds will be available for the Bureau.

BOARD OF EDUCATION'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL STATE TROOPERS

In response to a request from the Board of Education that additional State Troopers be assigned to St. Mary's County, a copy of a letter from Colonel Smith, Superintendent, Maryland State Police to Dr. King, Superintendent, Board of Education, suggesting that the Commissioners contract with the State for additional troopers inasmuch as the State Police's budget allocation for troopers has been reduced. Ed Cox is to forward a letter to Colonel Smith requesting information as to the cost breakdown per man.

BARTON ASCHMAN PROPOSAL
COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWAGE PLAN UPDATE

Present: H. D. McGlade, Comptroller
 John Norris, County Engineer

John Norris recommended that the Commissioners approve the revised proposal on the above from Barton Aschman dated February 28 (revised as of March 19, 1974). Commissioner Aud made a motion to approve the revised proposal, subject to an addendum being attached thereto setting forth the method of billing and payment agreed to by and between Mr. McGlade and Mr. Norris, seconded by Commissioner Guy and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

PROGRAM OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION
LEXINGTON PARK SCHOOL PARK

Present: John Baggett, Director, Recreation and Parks

Mr. Baggett recommended that the Commissioners approve the Program Open Space Acquisition application for Lexington Park School Park for the acquisition of five acres of land located adjacent to the Lexington Park Elementary School. The total cost of the project is \$25,900; \$25,000 for the cost of property and \$900 for appraisal and survey fees. Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve the above and authorize Commissioner Bowles to sign same, seconded by Commissioner Aud. Commissioner Bowles abstained.

PROGRAM OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION
WILLOWS ROAD COMMUNITY PARK

Present: John Baggett, Director, Recreation and Parks

Mr. Baggett recommended that the Commissioners approve the Program Open Space Acquisition application for Willows Road Community Park for the acquisition of 20 acres of land along Willows Road adjacent to a stream valley. The total cost of the project is \$26,350; \$25,000 for the cost of the property and \$1,350 for appraisal and survey fees. Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve the above and authorize Commissioner Bowles to sign same, seconded by Commissioner Aud. Commissioner Bowles abstained.

BIDS ON RENOVATION OF CEILING IN CIRCUIT COURT ROOM

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Five specifications for bids on the above project were picked up from the County Engineer's Office to be opened this date; however, there were no bids received.

1974-75 BUDGET REVIEW

Present: H. D. McGlade, Comptroller

At this time Mr. McGlade gave a summary of the status of the budget processing.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

J. Wilmer Bowles 4/9/74
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