

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGTuesday, April 2, 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

HERMANVILLE ROAD - GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES

The Commissioners attended the groundbreaking ceremonies for the construction of Hermanville Road.

The meeting came to order at 11:00 a.m.

READING OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 26, 1974 were read and corrected.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve the minutes of March 19, 1974, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles, who signed same.

NURSING HOME RENOVATION BIDS

On Thursday, March 28, bids were opened on the above project. Those present were: Commissioner Bowles, Paul Raley, Chauncey Karstens, Virginia Thomas, Harry Adreon, Architect, Bruce Dunham, State Department of Health, and Judy Mullins. Bids were as follows:

Cee Bee Contractors Washington, D. C.	\$678,800
Mervell M. Dean, Inc. Lexington Park, Maryland	\$594,569

These bids will be reviewed and discussed by the Commissioners at a meeting Thursday, April 4, 2:00 p.m.

PRESS CONFERENCE

Present: Jack Kershaw, Enterprise
 Sunny Schust, Enterprise
 Robin Guyther, Enterprise
 Patty Muchow, Beacon
 Dave Fox, Guardian Review and Cablevision

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

REFINERY STUDY COMMITTEE

At the above Press Conference, the Commissioners distributed a Press Release announcing the formation of a Refinery Study Committee, whose purpose will be to undertake a three-month evaluation of the proposed refinery at Piney Point.

VOUCHERS APPROVED

Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve Vouchers Nos. 7418 through 7633, dated March 1, 1974 through March 30, 1974, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

BID OPENINGHEATING & COOLING SYSTEM AT LEXINGTON PARK HEALTH DEPARTMENT BLDG.

Present: John Cullison
Bill Winters

Specifications for the above project were picked up by five firms. Sealed bids were received as follows:

Winter Sheet Metal (bid bond enclosed)	\$11,741.00
Cullison Sheet Metal (certified check enclosed)	\$19,950.00

John Norris will review the bids and make recommendations to the Commissioners at a later date.

BILLS APPROVED

The following bills were approved by the Commissioners:

Breton Bay Golf and Country Club - \$35.39;

St. Mary's Hospital, payment to Mervell M. Dean, Inc. for work completed and materials stored - \$65,578;

Edward V. Cox, Chief Clerk, for March mileage expenses - \$87.41;

Daniel Raley, Executive Secretary of Youth Commission, March mileage expenses - \$48.24;

Metropolitan Commission, dated January 11, 1974, for work performed in various Sanitary Districts of the County during July, August and September 1973 - \$30,020.09. (This is not a budgeted item and, therefore, should come from the Contingency Fund or Revenue Sharing funds.) *

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY ADJACENT TO AIRPORT

To clarify the purchase price of the above property, Commissioner Guy made a motion that the County purchase 4.23 acres at

\$872.00 per acre, for a total of \$3,688.56, from Taylor Marshall for property located adjacent to the St. Mary's County Airport, seconded by Commissioner Bowles. Commissioner Aud abstained. The Commissioners advised Ed Cox to contact Mr. Marshall to make arrangements for the settlement on the property.

PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Commissioners approved the release of the Press Release announcing the initiation of the Comprehensive Personnel Management System for St. Mary's County government. Ed Cox stated that proposals were received from five organizations, and after consultation and survey of the proposals with Don McGlade, Comptroller, Bill Wagoner, Director of Civilian Personnel, Naval Air Station, it was recommended that the Commissioners accept the proposal from U. S. Civil Service Commission. Commissioner Guy made a motion to accept this recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles. Mr. Cox is to contact the Civil Service Commission to develop the necessary procedures in order to implement the personnel system study for St. Mary's County government.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

MARTIN PATRICK CALLAN (COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE)

John Norris, County Engineer, forwarded a request for funds in the amount of \$1700 in order to extend Martin Callan's contract. Mr. Callan was hired as a temporary employee in the County Engineer's Office to draw up the bid documents for the County Airport hangar, and this work was temporarily interrupted while Mr. Callan drew up the specifications for bids on the Circuit Court Room ceiling repairs. Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve Mr. Norris' request, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

TYPEWRITER FOR ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Ed Cox stated that a typewriter was needed in the County Engineer's Office and also suggested that the County purchase an extra typewriter to have on hand in case of breakage, etc. Commissioner Guy made a motion to purchase one typewriter for the Engineer's Office and the purchase of second typewriter be considered at budget time; seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

TRI-COUNTY GROUP HOME

STATEMENT OF GRANT AWARD AND CONDITIONS

Ed Cox explained that, because of the April 1 deadline for the above grant, Commissioner Bowles signed the Statement of Grant Award and Conditions for the Tri-County Group Home on Friday, March 29, and same was forwarded to LEAJ, and, therefore, he requested the Commissioners' concurrence of this action. Ed Cox stated he obtained approval from Dorothy Plummer, President, Board of Directors,

Tri-County Group Home, that this statement be signed. Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve Commissioner Bowles signing the Statement, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles. The total cost of the project is \$47,776.

STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR TRANSCRIPT

A letter dated March 28, 1974 was received from Willard L. Broms, Assistant State's Attorney, requesting funds in the amount of \$200 to obtain a transcript of the court case State of Maryland vs. Charles William Knott, which involved assault upon a State Trooper. This has become a test case and is set for trial Apr. 30, 1974. The Commissioners were of the opinion that the County Attorney should make a ruling whether the Commissioners have the authority to pay for this transcript.

TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL LAND USE PLAN

A letter dated March 27, 1974 was received from the Tri-County Council requesting that the Planners from the three counties work with the Tri-County Council staff on the Regional Land Use Plan. Mr. Cox is to advise Gerald McKinney, Executive Director, TCC, of the Commissioners' position that each County plan should be completed before the Regional Plan is adopted.

TRI-COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU

A letter dated March 29, 1974 was received from the Tri-County Youth Services Bureau requesting funds in the amount of \$10,389 that had been allocated in the Fiscal 1974 budget to cover expenses for April, May and June 1974. Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve the release of these funds subject to verification by the Finance Office that it was allocated in the 1974 budget, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

PROCLAMATION NO. 74-9
CANCER CONTROL MONTH

The County Commissioners approved and signed Proclamation No. 74-9, proclaiming April as Cancer Control Month.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-11
AMENDMENT TO ST. MARY'S COUNTY WATER AND SEWER PLAN
KITT'S POINT - S-4 to S-3; W-4 to W-3

Commissioner Guy made a motion to approve and sign Resolution No. 74-11 approving a change in the St. Mary's County Water and Sewer Plan classifications from S-4 to S-3 and W-4 to W-3 for a subsanitary district, which is part of the Carroll Pond Sanitary District No. 7, and to approve the point of discharge for this project as requested, seconded by Commissioner Bowles. Commissioner Aud abstained.

A letter will be forwarded to the State Department of Health enclosing a copy of the Resolution, copy of the Development Declaration

for Kitt's Point, and attested copies of the minutes of the Commissioners' meetings pertaining to this subject.

ADDITIONAL STATE TROOPERS

In response to a request from the Commissioners concerning the cost of additional State Troopers for St. Mary's County, Ed Cox stated he met with Captain William C. Dykes, Chief of Planning Research and Inspection Chief. Captain Dykes had informed Mr. Cox of Carroll County's success with resident troopers. The projected cost for a State Trooper, including salary and all equipment necessary to perform his functions, is \$20,622; 25% of which is absorbed by the Maryland State Police; 75% would be the County's expense, which would be approximately \$15,000. This figure could be reduced in two ways; i.e., a purchase of cars arrangement and the possibility of a grant to be obtained from a Governor's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice. The usual time for processing a request and having additional troopers on the job is two years; however, if the request was made immediately, it is possible that some troopers could be available for on-job duty July 1, 1974.

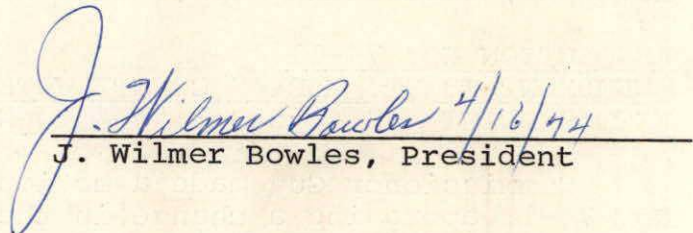
Ed Cox stated that Captain Dykes suggested that St. Mary's County conduct a study on this, which he would be willing to assist.

STATE HIGHWAY BOND ISSUE

Present: Harris Sterling, Finance Director

Mr. Sterling recommended to the County Commissioners that the County participate in the State Highway Administration's bond sale for the fiscal year 1975 in the amount of \$800,000. Commissioner Guy made a motion to accept Mr. Sterling's recommendation to participate in the bond sale, seconded by Commissioner Aud and made unanimous by Commissioner Bowles.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

 4/16/74
 J. Wilmer Bowles, President

* The correct figure for the Metropolitan Commission bill is \$3,002.09. (See minutes of June 11, 1974)