

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Wednesday, October 18, 1978

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President
Commissioner Ford L. Dean
Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe, M.D.
Commissioner John K. Parlett
Commissioner Larry Millison
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

REQUEST FOR SALARY INCREASE - COURT REPORTER

Present: Judge Mattingly

Prior to the meeting coming to order, Judge Mattingly appeared before the Commissioners to request a \$1,000 per year increase for his Court Reporter. He stated that Court Reporters in other counties such as Prince George's County receive a higher salary and he would like to have her salary raised to be in line with court reporters in other counties.

The Commissioners advised that they would discuss this matter further and give consideration to this request.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the County Commissioners' meeting of October 11, 1978 were read. Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Parlett, to approve the minutes as read. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ENCUMBRANCE VOUCHERS

Present: Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

Mr. Sterling presented the encumbrance vouchers for the Commissioners' review and approval. Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Parlett, to approve payment of the bills as submitted. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

STORAGE OF VOTING MACHINES

Present: Paul Raley, Director, Purchasing and Logistics

Continuing discussion from last week's meeting, Mr. Raley presented the following proposals for the storage of 22 voting machines:

Hilldrup - \$1200 per year, including pick up and delivery;
Jack Daugherty (Old Guardian building) - \$1200 per year, plus \$154 to have Leonardtown Building and Supply pick up and deliver.

After discussion, Commissioner Parlett moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe to accept the proposal from Hilldrup for the storage of 22 voting machines in the amount of \$1200 per year. All Commissioners voted in favor.

BIDS ON SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AUTOMOBILES

Present: Paul Raley, Director. Purchasing and Logistics

As had been requested at last week's meeting, Mr. Raley presented the list of the eleven automobiles that were being replaced in the Sheriff's Department showing the make, year and mileage. After review of this information and the bids that were presented at last week's meeting, Commissioner Parlett moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to accept the bid from Suburban Chrysler Plymouth, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$61,460, including trade-in value for nine automobiles, and further to authorize the Director of Purchasing and Logistics to advertise for sale the two additional unmarked automobiles from the Sheriff's Department. All Commissioners voted in favor.

PROCLAMATION NO. 78-61

TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign Proclamation No. 78-61 proclaiming, Tuesday, October 31, 1978 as Trick or Treat Night. All Commissioners voted in favor.

WICOMICO SHORES

Relative to the recommendation by the County Attorney which was discussed at last week's meeting for the Commissioners to appoint an overall coordinator to monitor the redevelopment process in order to protect the County's interest at Wicomico Shores, the Commissioners agreed that the Chairman of the Technical Evaluation Committee Frank Gerred, be appointed.

LETTER TO MD. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The County Administrator presented a letter for the Commissioners' review and signature to Md. Department of Transportation requesting their attention to the dangerous situation existing in the vicinity of the Thomas Johnson Bridge caused by motorists discarding objects from the bridge. The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward same.

PAYMENT OF OVERTIME REQUEST

The County Administrator presented a request by the Sheriff's Department for payment of overtime for the period of September 16 to October 13, 1978 for 95 hours totalling \$336.51. Commissioner Parlett moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve this request. All Commissioners voted in favor.

CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECT NO. 79-10-405

CHOPTICON HIGH SCHOOL CRITICAL AREA TREATMENT

The County Administrator presented the referenced clearinghouse project and recommended that it be forwarded to the State with the comment that it is not inconsistent with this agency's plans, programs or objectives. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECT NO. 79-10-446
1979 (105) FEDERAL AID PROGRAM

The County Administrator presented the referenced clearinghouse project and advised that it was the recommendation of the County Engineer to forward it to the State with the comment that it is not inconsistent with this agency's plans, programs or objectives. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

CARE FOR THE ELDERLY TASK FORCE

Present: Dr. Roy Guyther, Chairman

Dr. Guyther appeared before the Commissioners to present a progress report on the activities of the Care for the Elderly Task Force and explained the survey that was being conducted of 650 elderly people in the County. He advised that in order to complete the survey, \$1,000 is needed from the County in order to hire someone to complete the surveys. There was discussion as to the possibility of using a CETA employee for this purpose.

After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to provide the Care for the Elderly Task Force the necessary funding or a CETA position to assist in the completion of the surveys.

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Present: Delores Hill, Youth Services Coordinator

Miss Hill appeared before the Commissioners to present the final report on the Summer Youth Employment Program. The Report outlined the Program, placement and expenditures and set forth certain recommendations for the Summer of 1979.

In closing, Commissioner McKay advised Miss Hill to apprise the incoming Board of Commissioners of the increased need for providing employment for the youth in the County and the importance of providing necessary funding for this Program.

PROCLAMATION NO. 78-60

Present: Willard Reid, Assistant Director, UNICEF

The Commissioners presented the referenced Proclamation proclaiming October 31, 1978 as "UNICEF DAY" in St. Mary's County.

PRESS CONFERENCE

Present: Jack Kershaw, Enterprise
Sunny Schust, "
Ingrid Buehler, Beacon
Dave Fox, WKIK
Mark Desautel, Beacon

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

PUBLIC HEARING

AMENDMENTS TO ST. MARY'S COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

Present: Jeff Poley, Zoning Administrator

At this time the Commissioners conducted a public hearing on proposed housekeeping changes to the St. Mary's County Zoning Ordinance which are intended to provide clearer public understanding and simplification.

The secretary read the Notice of Public Hearing which set forth the various amendments by sections.

During discussion, the Commissioners made certain recommendations and corrective changes which they directed Zoning Administrator to incorporate and re-present at next week's meeting for further review.

Commissioner McKay inquired if anyone present had any additional comments; hearing none, the public hearing was closed. The record will remain open for at least ten days prior to the Commissioners making a decision to adopt the amendments.

A tape of the proceedings is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

PUBLIC HEARING - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-COUNTY TRANSPORTATION BONDS
FIRST ISSUE, SECONDED SERIES

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

At this time the Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the proposed Ordinance for St. Mary's County to participate in Department of Transportation Bond Issue.

The County Administrator read the Notice of Public Hearing and the Proposed Ordinance. The Director of Finance explained the bond process.

Commissioner McKay inquired if anyone present had any additional comments; hearing none the public hearing was closed. The record will remain open for at least ten days prior to the Commissioners making a decision.

A tape of the proceedings is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

EXPIRED SUBDIVISION ROAD BONDS

Present: John Norris, County Engineer
Dan Ichniowski, Highway Engineer

The County Engineer reviewed with the Commissioners the current status of the expired road bonds that had been extended to November 1, 1978 and it was agreed that nothing further be done until after this date.

PROPOSED POLICY STATEMENT

EXPIRATION DATE FOR PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENTS, CORPORATE BONDS
CASH AGREEMENTS, ETC. FOR SUBDIVISION ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Present: John Norris, County Engineer
Dan Ichniowski, Highway Engineer

Mr. Norris presented a proposed policy statement regarding the expiration date of Public Works Agreements, Corporate Bonds, Cash Agreements, etc. for subdivision road construction, and suggested that in addition to the County Engineer's Office, the Office of County Administrator and Office of Land Use and Development assist in the monitoring of expired bonds and bring the matter to the County Commissioners' attention.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence with this recommendation and directed the County Engineer to prepare the Policy Statement for the entire Board's signature.

CHANGE ORDER

ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO COURTHOUSE, PHASE I

Present: John Norris, County Engineer
Dan Ichniowski

Mr. Norris presented the referenced Change Order from Loffler Construction in the amount of a \$14,669 credit to the County. Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Millison, to approve the Change Order and authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign appropriate documents. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ACCEPTANCE OF DEED

ST. MARY'S RIVER ESTATES

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris presented and recommended acceptance of a Deed dated August 3, 1976 by and between John A. Stone and Phyllis Stone and the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, said deed conveying Dockside Lane in the St. Mary's River Estates Subdivision to St. Mary's County. Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe to accept said Deed. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ROAD RESOLUTION NO. 79-6
DOCKSIDE LANE

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris presented Road Resolution No. 79-6 designating Dockside Lane in St. Mary's River Estates as a Stop Street as it intersects with Frogs Marsh Road. Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign said Road Resolution. All Commissioners voted in favor.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION
REVISIONS TO THE ROAD ORDINANCE FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris reviewed with the Commissioners the proposed Resolution revising the Specifications and Standards for Highway and Street Construction for St. Mary's County. Mr. Norris advised that he would provide the Commissioners with a copy of the proposed Resolution for their review and decision at next week's meeting. Mr. Norris advised that if the Resolution is approved he recommended that two items which are design decisions by SHA be incorporated into the Standards:

1. The deletion of prime coat that is placed on roads if more than two inches of asphalt is added;
2. The elimination of asphalt coating on corrugated metal pipes.

DISCUSSION SESSION

ZA NO. 78-129 - AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR
RURAL SERVICE CENTERS

ZA NO. 78-220 - COMPREHENSIVE REZONING OF THE CALLAWAY NEIGHBORHOOD
FROM AR-2 TO RSC (RURAL SERVICE CENTERS)

ZA NO. 78-130 - MARY O. CALLAWAY

ZA NO. 78-132 - ELIZABETH PHILLIPS

Present: Jeff Poley, Zoning Administrator
Gerry Smith, Assistant Planner
Mary Callaway

Having conducted a public hearing on the referenced Zoning Amendments, the Commissioners commenced discussion on the findings of fact. Discussion ensued as to the delineation of Rural Service Centers for this area and the permitted uses in the Zoning Ordinance for this category. It was agreed that the Commissioners would continue discussion of these cases in two weeks' time.

DISCUSSION SESSION

ZA NO. 78-166

PARAGON BUILDERS, INC. (WILDEWOOD)


Present: Jeff Poley, Zoning Administrator
Ed Wettengel

Having conducted a public hearing on the application of Paragon Builders, Inc. to have property located on St. Andrews Church Road and Maryland Rt. 234 in the Sixth and Eighth Election Districts, the Commissioners commenced discussion on the findings of fact.

Mr. Poley advised that the Planning Commission has recommended that with a neighborhood of this size that there should be a provision for a site for an elementary school within the Planned Unit Development. The representative of the applicant agreed to comply with this request. The Commissioners directed the Office of Land Use and Development, with the assistance of the Public Schools prepare a School Facilities Siting Report and present same to the Commissioners for review. The Commissioners will continue discussion in two weeks' time.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Approved,


James M. McKay, President

