

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'

Monday, November 10, 1980

Present: Commissioner George R. Aud, President
Commissioner Richard D. Arnold
Commissioner Ford L. Dean
Commissioner David F. Sayre
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner Millison was not present)

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The Commissioners called this Special Meeting in order to take care of a variety of administrative matters such as contracts, agreements and signing of correspondence since November 4 and November 11 are holidays.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to approve payment of the bills as submitted by the Director of Finance. All Commissioners voted in favor.

MARYLAND STATE POLICE BARRACKS

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris presented correspondence addressed to Department of General Services for Commissioner President Aud's signature requesting that the existing storm drainage outlet in the construction of the Maryland State Police Barracks be extended approximately 300 feet in order not to destroy a portion of county property that is currently being farmed. The Commissioners agreed to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said letter.

SOTTERLY MANOR, SECTION II
PARTIAL RELEASE OF FUNDS

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris advised the Commissioners that the paving of the referenced subdivision has been accomplished and recommended release of the next increment of the Cash Agreement in the amount of \$10,600.

Commissioner Arnold moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to authorize the release of \$10,600 of the Cash Agreement from the bank account. All Commissioners voted in favor.

WILDEWOOD SUBDIVISION, NEIGHBORHOOD THREE
CLUSTER ONE, PLAT THREE

Present: John Norris, County Engineer
Frank Gerred, Director, Planning & Zoning

Mr. Norris advised that the developer of Wildewood Subdivision is requesting authority to record the referenced subdivision and requested a reduction of the road right-of-way width for Laurel Hill Road from 50 feet to 40 feet.

Mr. Norris stated there are three reasons for granting this request:

1. The road is being built to county standards, which includes carrying the storm drainage within the road section;
2. That the utilities are located in the rear of the lots and therefore not requiring space adjacent to the road right-of-way;
3. And that there is a pedestrian walkway planned.

Commissioner Arnold moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to approve the above request for road right-of-way width to 40 feet. Three Commissioners voted in favor, with Commissioner Dean abstaining because the savings and loan where he is employed has a construction loan for the referenced subdivision. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT
WILDEWOOD SUBDIVISION, NEIGHBORHOOD THREE

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris presented the Public Works Agreement (with accompanying corporate surety) by and between Paragon Builders, Inc. and St. Mary's County guaranteeing the construction of Laurel Hill Drive in Wildewood Subdivision, Neighborhood Three, Cluster One, Plat Three.

Commissioner Sayre moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said Public Works Agreement. Three Commissioners voted in favor, with Commissioner Dean abstaining. Motion carried.

WALDEN COUNSELING CENTER CONSTRUCTION

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris advised that all the bids on the referenced project have been awarded; however, construction cannot commence until approval is received from the Maryland Board of Public Works. Therefore, Mr. Norris presented correspondence to the Department of General Services seeking their assistance in allowing the project to commence prior to the formal approval of the Board of Public Works which is not scheduled until November 25.

The Commissioners authorized Commissioner President Aud to sign said letter and further to allow Mr. Norris to make contact with Board of Public Works members about this matter.

ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PERMIT
ST. GEORGE'S CREEK

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris requested authorization for Commissioner President Aud to sign the Army Corps of Engineers Permit for the bulkhead at Piney Point in St. George's Creek.

Commissioner Sayre moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said Permit. All Commissioners voted in favor.

INSPECTION SERVICES
WALDEN COUNSELING CENTER

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris requested approval by the Board to utilize Dale Cropper as inspector for the Walden Counseling Center construction project at his regular contract rate.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to grant this approval. All Commissioners voted in favor.

STRIPING PROGRAM - FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris advised that he received correspondence from State Highway Administration with the Master Agreement for the re-striping of various roads in St. Mary's County using federal funds. The County is to fund 16% of the overhead costs if we participate, and Mr. Norris recommended that these funds come from the County's maintenance budget.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

POTOMAC RIVER FISHERIES COMMISSION

Commissioner Sayre recommended that a letter be written to the Governor of Maryland suggesting that there be a representative from St. Mary's County on the Potomac River Fisheries Commission. The Commissioners agreed that the County Administrator draft such a letter presenting two alternatives; one, that replacing an appointment when a term expires or, two, expanding the membership from six to eight.

In addition, Commissioner Sayre requested that a letter be written to the Potomac River Fisheries Commission requesting approval to allow the waterman of St. Mary's County to oyster the Cornfield Harbor area under a relaxed law or that the Commission amend their regulation to similar regulations by the State of Maryland which allows certain size spat on oysters. The Commissioners gave their concurrence that such a letter be written.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS 81-16 , 81-17 and 80-19

On behalf of the Budget Officer the County Administrator presented the referenced Budget Amendments as follows:

No. 81-16 (County Administrator) - Increase Account No. 1155-31710 (Vehicle Replacement) by \$12,000; Decrease Account No. 2610-26912 by like amount.

No. 81-17 (Commission on Aging) - Increase various accounts within the Commission on Aging to allot to certain grants budget authority provided by County Commissioners totalling \$134,578; decrease Account No. 1537-28910 (Operating Expenses - Undistributed) by like amount.

No. 80-19 (Board of Education) - Increase Account No. 1171-66220 (SCS Project Supplement) by \$2,465; decrease Account No. 1932-60320 (Fifth District Acquisition) by like amount.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to approve the referenced Budget Amendments Nos. 81-16, 81-17 and 81-19, as submitted by the Budget Officer.

ACCEPTANCE OF DEED
HOLLY-GAF SUBDIVISION, SECTION IV

On behalf of the County Engineer, the County Administrator presented a Deed dated July 7, 1977 by and between Holly Gaf Farms and the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County guaranteeing the construction of the continuation of Morgan Road on all of Barbara Lane in Holly Gaf Subdivision, Section IV, Sixth Election District.

Commissioner Sayre moved, seconded by Commissioner Dean, to accept said Deed. All Commissioners voted in favor.

POSITION OF JANITOR
OFFICE OF PURCHASING AND LOGISTICS

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated November 5, 1980 with a request for the Commissioners to approve the filling of the vacancy of the position of Janitor in the Office of Purchasing and Logistics. It was recommended that James A. Baker be appointed to fill this position, Grade 5, Step 4, effective November 10. Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to approve the filling of the position as recommended. All Commissioners voted in favor.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FEES
FUEL DISTRIBUTION FACILITY
WALDEN COUNSELING CENTER

At the recommendation of the County Engineer, the County Administrator requested a waiver of the building permit fees for the Fuel Distribution Facility project and the Walden Counseling Center project. Inasmuch as they are county government projects, the Commissioners gave their concurrence.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
NON-URBANIZED AREA PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GRANT

The Commissioners reviewed a memorandum dated October 27, 1980 from the Budget Officer relative to correspondence from the Department of Transportation setting forth four conditions that the County must meet prior to disbursement of funds concerning the local bus service program. The County Administrator recommended that the condition concerning the re-establishment of the Transportation Committee should be discussed at next week's meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
ALLEGED ERROR IN COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated November 6, 1980 regarding the alleged incorrect over payment from child support collections made to the County for the period of March 1976 through May 1978. The Budget Officer, Mr. O'Dell, met with the Finance Officer of the Department of Social Services and it was recommended by them to the Commissioners that a lump sum payment not be made to the State; that the County will not enter into an agreement for the State Department of Social Services to withhold all or a portion of the monthly incentive payment until the \$13,637.32 is paid back; and the option of taking legal action by the county in the event the State directs the local department to withhold monthly incentive payment.

The Commissioners directed that a letter be written to the State Department the County is in the process of checking our records to determine if there is such an error of overpayment and will withhold any reimbursement until evidence is presented that there is in fact an error.

AMENDMENT TO GRANT APPLICATION
STATE'S ATTORNEY'S COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

The County Administrator presented an amendment to the Cooperative Reimbursement Program by the State's Attorney in order to secure additional funding. Mr. Cox stated that the Budget Officer had responded back to the State's Attorney that with the downgrading of the Legal Assistant position, his office had available funds. The State's Attorney responded that the downgrading of the position was a temporary measure and he was going to upgrade it again and that the Commissioners should proceed with the application as submitted.

After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to hold firm to the current budget and to deny the requested increase.

ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION POLICY FOR PINE HILL SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

Commissioner Dean distributed to the Commissioners a draft prepared by Steve King of the Metropolitan Commission setting forth alternative allocation policy for the Pine Hill Treatment Plant. The Commissioners agreed to discuss this at next week's meeting.

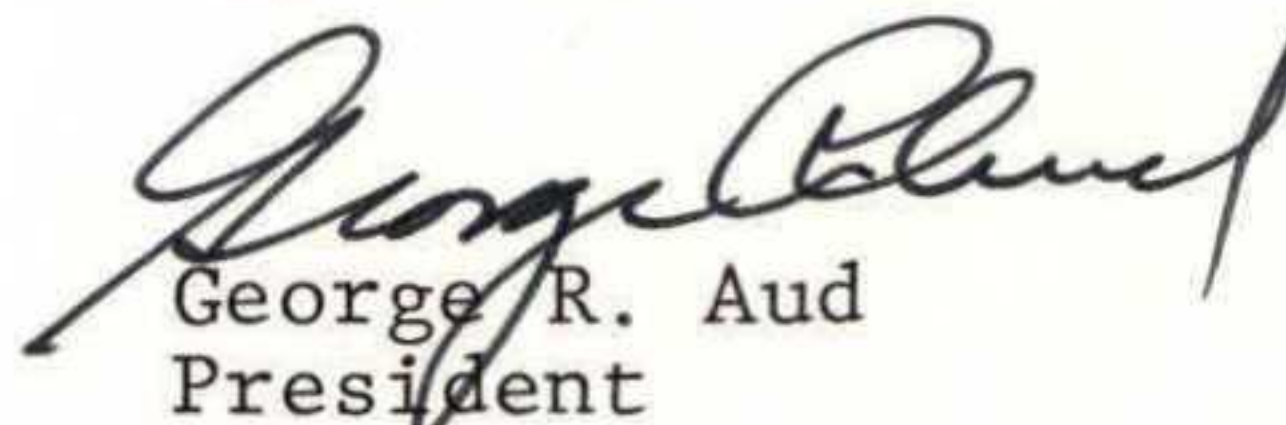
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners agreed to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of litigation. The Session was held from 11:55 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Approved,


George R. Aud
President