

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGTuesday, March 8, 1982<sup>3</sup>

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

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Commissioner Millison moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to approve payment of the bills as submitted by the Director of Finance. Motion unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, March 1, 1983. Motion unanimously carried.

CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR  
OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE

The County Administrator submitted a memorandum dated March 4, 1983 from the Personnel Officer requesting authority to begin the process of filling the vacant Central Communications Operator position in the Office of Civil Defense. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
RECLASSIFICATION OF LIEUTENANT POSITION

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated February 28, 1983 from the Personnel Officer advising that Sheriff Pettit is requesting that the vacant Sergeant position that was reclassified by the previous Sheriff to Lieutenant now be down classified back to Sergeant. The Sheriff is requesting authority to begin to fill this position.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to down classify the position and to begin the process to fill it.

ROAD RESOLUTIONS

On behalf of the County Engineer, the County Administrator presented the following Road Resolutions for the Commissioners' approval:

R83-2 - Posting Franklin Road, Patuxent Park Subdivision as "No Parking" zone at "T" turnaround.

R83-3 - Posting Saratoga Drive, Patuxent Park Subdivision, as a "No Outlet" street, north of Midway Drive.

R83-4 - Posting Rodo Beach at 30 miles per hour from its intersection with Scotland Beach Road.

R83-5 - Posting the following streets in Birch Manor Subdivision at 25 miles per hour: Birch Manor Drive, Birchwood Court, Cedarwood Court, Laurel Court, Camellia Court, Tanglewood Court and Wisteria Court.

R83-6 - Designating the following streets located in Birch Manor Subdivision as "Stop Streets:"

Birch Manor Drive as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive and Camellia Court;

Birch Manor Drive as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive;

Birchwood Court as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive;

Cedarwood Court as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive;

Laurel Court as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive;

Camellia Court as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive;

Tanglewood Court as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive;

Wisteria Court as it intersects with Birch Manor Drive.

R83-8 - Posting the following streets in Country Lake Subdivision at 25 miles per hour: Asher Road, Oxley Drive, Tanyard Drive, Neale Court and Millseat Drive.

Commissioner Arnold moved, seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve the referenced Road Resolution Nos. 83-2, 83-3, 83-4, 83-5, 83-6, 83-8. Motion unanimously carried.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL  
REQUISITION NO. 11

The County Administrator presented Requisition No. 11 in the amount of \$53,821.79 for payment of expenses incurred in the new hospital project.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to approve said Requisition. Motion unanimously carried.

MOSQUITO CONTROL

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated February 25, 1983 from the Department of Agriculture, Mosquito Control Office, advising of the establishment of new billing procedures; whereby the time of billing will be changed from Spring to Fall. The Community will pay after services have been rendered instead of before.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to concur in the new billing procedures. Motion unanimously carried.

GRANT APPLICATION  
ST. MARY'S COUNTY HANDICAPPED SUMMER CAMP

On behalf of the Director of Recreation and Parks, the County Administrator presented the Grant Application for the referenced project for FY '84 to be submitted to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said Grant Application. Motion unanimously carried.

OFFICE OF COUNTY ENGINEER ITEMS

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

(Commissioner Aud left meeting)

PROJECT NO. SM 83-1-6  
SURVEY STAKEOUT PROPOSAL

Mr. Norris presented the bid tally sheet for the referenced project and recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, James L. Dunlop.

Commissioner Sayre moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to accept this recommendation. Motion unanimously carried.

PROJECT NO. SM 83-1-5  
RENTAL CONTRACT SERVICES FOR  
ROAD, ROADSIDE AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Norris presented the bid tally sheet for the referenced project and recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, Raymond Woodburn.

Commissioner Arnold moved, seconded by Commissioner Dean, to accept this recommendation. Motion unanimously carried.

(Commissioner Aud returned to the meeting.)

AGREEMENT  
LEWIE ALDRIDGE  
USE OF COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY

Mr. Norris presented an Agreement by and between County Commissioners of St. Mary's County and Lewie Aldridge permitting Mr. Aldridge to use the County's right-of-way (Princeton Drive) for ingress and egress to the former C&P switching station on Midway Drive in Lexington Park. Said property is described in Site Plan CUCP #82-1455 and has been approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Aud, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said agreement, pending County Attorney approval. Motion unanimously carried.

ESCROW AGREEMENT  
MARVIN C. FRANZEN

Mr. Norris presented the Escrow Agreement dated March 8, 1983 with Marvin C. Franzen which allows him to draw on funds for the issuance of entrance permits.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said Agreement.

AGREEMENT  
FEDERAL AID SECONDARY HIGHWAY FUNDS

Mr. Norris presented an Agreement by and between State Highway Administration converting federal funds to state funds in the amount of \$106,102 for the Federal Aid Secondary Highway Funds program.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said Agreement.

AGREEMENT  
FEDERAL AID URBAN FUNDS

Mr. Norris presented an Agreement by and between State Highway Administration converting federal funds to state funds in the amount of \$7,745 for the Federal Aid Urban Funds.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign said Agreement.

MINIMUM RURAL ROAD DESIGN STANDARDS  
MINIMUM URBAN ROAD DESIGN STANDARDS

Mr. Norris submitted and reviewed the referenced design standards and advised that if Commissioner approval is received, the appropriate plates will be made and submitted to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Arnold moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to accept the County Engineer's recommendation on the referenced Design Standards. Motion unanimously carried.

METROPOLITAN COMMISSION FEES AND POLICIES  
SEPTIC PUMPERS ASSOCIATION

Present: Dick Copsey, Pumpers Association  
Buddy Bannigan, " "  
Steve Nelson, " "  
Gene Copsey, " "  
Larry Petty, Director, Metropolitan Commission  
Steve King, Metropolitan Commission

The referenced representatives of the Septic Pumpers Association appeared before the Commissioners to express concerns relative to revised rates of the Metropolitan Commission as well as policies regarding screening of septage for oil, anti-freeze and grease.

Mr. Copsey stated that the per truck fee has been raised from \$200 to \$400, effective May 1, 1983 and there was a rumor that there will be an additional charge of \$15 per thousand gallons.

Mr. King explained that rationale for the increase, stating that it was due to the increase in cost of operation of the plant. Customer rates in the Pine Hill Run Sanitary District were raised in July. The Metropolitan Commissions intention is to have the truckers pay their own costs as it is not the responsibility for users in the Pine Hill Run Sanitary District. He stated that the Metropolitan Commission does not intend to charge an additional \$15 per thousand gallon fee; however, once the new facility is complete, the flat rate charge will be eliminated and be replaced with a per thousand gallon charge.

Discussion ensued as to the screening of oil, anti-freeze and grease, and Mr. Copsey stated that they do not know how much grease is being pumped from septic systems into their trucks. The Metropolitan Commission is requiring the removal of any of these substances dumped at the treatment plant. Mr. King explained that the problems caused at the treatment plant when these substances are dumped, and subsequently must be pumped out. He stated that perhaps these substances could be disposed of at the landfill.

Commissioner Millison recommended that the Metropolitan Commission contact other municipalities to see how this situation is handled and perhaps a reasonable compromise can be reached.

Representatives of the Metropolitan Commission and Pumpers Association agreed to meet in another room to discuss the situation and try to arrive at a solution.

ST. MARY'S GARDEN RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN

Present: Capt. Robert I. Heisner, Commanding Officer, NAS  
Cdr. William Burke  
Capt. L. Jenssen  
Joseph Wishert, Relocation Coordinator, NAS  
Virginia Sullivan, Housing Project Manager,  
Bill Friarson, Public Works, NAS  
Joseph Mitchell, Public Housing Coordinator  
Joseph Densford, Asst. County Attorney

Capt. Heisner explained that the purpose of this meeting was to brief the Commissioners on recent developments relative to the Navy's purchase of the lease for St. Mary's Garden Apartments and to inform them of the Relocation Assistance Program. He stated that this action is as a result of an ongoing project to find adequate housing for Navy personnel.

Commander Burke explained the four-step procedure of this project:

1. Acquisition of the St. Mary's Garden Apartments lease by the U.S. Navy;
2. Relocation of St. Mary's Garden Apartments tenants with certain financial assistance being provided by the Navy;
3. Demolition of the 1,000 unit St. Mary's Garden projects;
4. Construction of 250 new units, which will begin in the Spring.

Commander Burke advised that the County is assisting in the Relocation Program and will be reimbursed by the Navy. He advised that Mr. Mitchell assisted in the preparation of the Relocation Assistance Agreement by and between the Department of Navy and the St. Mary's County Commissioners. The Agreement requires Board approval.

After discussion, Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to authorize Commissioner President Aud to sign the Relocation Assistance Agreement between the Department of Navy and St. Mary's County. Motion unanimously carried.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE  
CONTIGUOUS SUBSTANDARD LOTS (SECTION 58.05(3))

Commissioner Dean advised the Commissioners that it was brought to his attention that the Zoning Ordinance requirement regarding contiguous substandard lots is more stringent than the Health Department Regulations. When there are two or more contiguous substandard lots in common ownership, those lots must be adjoined to bring the lot into conformance. If an individual owns just one lot and if he can meet Health Department Regulations, he may build on it. This is in essence a penalty if more than one lot is owned. He stated that if the Commissioners concur, he would request the Director of Planning and Zoning, Frank Gerred, and Walter Raum of the Health Department to prepare the appropriate document amending the Zoning Ordinance by removing the absolute requirement that substandard lots under common ownership be joined in an attempt to make it a standard lot. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

JAIL SUPERVISOR POSITION

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated March 8, 1983 from the Personnel Officer recommending the appointment of Albert F. Smith for the Jail Supervisor position, Grade 12-3, effective March 14, 1983.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Officer. Motion unanimously carried.

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE  
OFFICE SECRETARY I

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated March 8, 1983 from the Personnel Officer recommending the appointment of Kathryn Ogg to the position of Office Secretary I, Grade 7, effective March 21, 1983.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to accept the Personnel Officer's recommendation. Four Commissioners voted in favor with Commissioner Millison abstaining. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE  
ASSISTANCE CLERK

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated March 8, 1983 advising that it was the recommendation of the Supervisors of Elections that Catherine Countiss, who is currently a contractual employee, be appointed permanent part-time, Office Clerk I, Grade 6, in that she has now passed the State test.

Commissioner Millison moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold to accept this recommendation. Motion unanimously carried.

SOUTHERN MARYLAND INDEPENDENT LIVING ENVIRONMENT (S.M.I.L.E.)  
LEASE AGREEMENT

The County Administrator presented the Lease Agreement with the County for S.M.I.L.E. Program and indicated that Paragraph 13 which speaks to the payment of site liability insurance by S.M.I.L.E. is amended. The County Commissioners had previously stated that the County would be responsible for the site liability insurance, either by inclusion in the County's general liability policy or by payment of separate coverage. The approximate cost of said coverage is \$650.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

GRANT APPLICATION  
RSVP FOR FY '83-'84

The County Administrator presented the Grant Application for the Retired Seniors Volunteer for FY '83-'84 which requires Board of County Commissioner approval.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Aud, to approve said Grant application. Motion unanimously approved.

MARYLAND DAY CEREMONY

Commissioner Dean advised the Commissioners that the Board of Directors of the St. Clements Island-Potomac River Museum has invited the Board of County Commissioners to attend a Maryland Day ceremony on March 25 at 10:00 a.m., weather permitting. A letter of invitation will be forthcoming.

PUBLIC HEARING  
ISSUANCE OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS  
PLACID HARBOR PROJECT

Present: David W. Morgan, Economic Development Coordinator  
Donald Wharton, Machinists Union

The Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing on the issuance by St. Mary's County of Industrial Revenue Bonds for the Placid Harbor project in the aggregate principal amount of approximately \$7,000,000.

Mr. Morgan read the Notice of Public Hearing.

Commissioner Aud inquired if anyone present wished to comment on the project.

Mr. Wharton expressed appreciation on behalf of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers for the County's cooperation.

Hearing no further comments, Commissioner Millison moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to concur in the issuance of said Industrial Revenue Bonds. Motion unanimously carried.

RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PLAN REVIEW

Present: Representatives from:  
County Emergency Operation Center  
State Civil Defense Office  
State Health Department-Radiation Control Division  
State Public Information Office  
Baltimore Gas & Electric Company  
Local County Officials

As required by state regulation, the local Radiological Emergency Plan was reviewed at this time.

BUDGET AND DATA SERVICES ITEMS

Present: Joseph P. O'Dell, Director

HOSPITAL BOND REFUNDING ISSUE

Mr. O'Dell presented a memorandum to the Board advising that he has been investigating the feasibility of refinancing the Hospital bonds. He requested that the Commissioners authorize the firm of Piper and Marbury to begin the legal process and the firm of Wooden & Benson to begin the accounting process. He stated that Mr. Clarke of Piper & Marbury will come before the Board at next week's meeting to discuss the bonding refinancing issues. The Commissioners gave their concurrence for the processes to be initiated. The Commissioners will make a decision as actually refinancing the bonds after next week's meeting.

BUILDING AUTHORITY DRAFT BILL  
HOUSE BILL 1076

Mr. O'Dell presented a memorandum relative to the proposed Building Authority legislation and recommended two amendments to the draft bill as prepared by the firm of Piper & Marbury. Mr. O'Dell requested the Commissioners' concurrence in the redrafting of the bill with the amendments and that our legislative delegation be so notified.

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Aud, to approve the submission of the proposed Building Authority legislation with amendments as recommended by Mr. O'Dell. Motion unanimously carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT AND RESCUE SQUAD ALLOCATIONS

Mr. O'Dell presented correspondence for the Commissioners' review and signatures to the President of the County Fire Board and to the County Rescue Squad Association setting forth information regarding the County's FY '84 allocation. The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward said letters.

FY '83 - '84 BUDGET REVIEW

Mr. O'Dell presented and reviewed with the Commissioners miscellaneous documentation relative to the development of the FY '83 - '84 Budget. The following documents were reviewed:

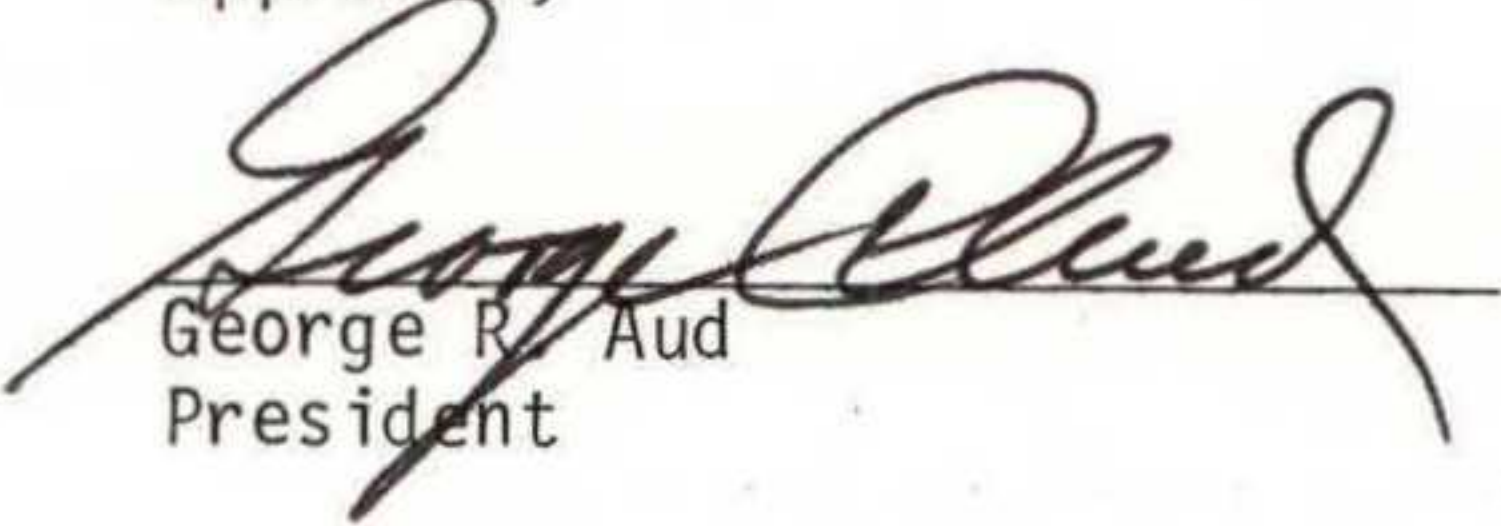
1. Computer Printout of FY '84 Budget;
2. Proposed Recommended Fy '84 Budget;
3. Summary of Budgetary Information;
4. Recommended General Revenue Sharing Usage;
5. A list of decisions needed from the Board.

During review of the budgetary information, discussion ensued concerning certain tentative commitments that were made by the Board at their March 1 meeting relative to the County Engineer's Office. The Commissioners agreed to reconsider some of these commitments and discuss it further at the March 15 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Approved,

  
George R. Aud  
President