

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Tuesday, May 12, 1987

Present: Commissioner Joseph P. O'Dell, President
Commissioner W. Edward Bailey
Commissioner Robert Jarboe
Commissioner John Lancaster
Commissioner Rodney Thompson
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Spalding, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, May 5, 1987. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve the minutes of the Special Commissioners' meeting of May 1, 1987.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Motion carried.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION
"CARDIAC ARREST"

Present: Dr. William Marek

Dr. Marek appeared before the Commissioners to to solicit their participation in the "Cardiac Arrest" fundraiser for the American Heart Association which will be held June 5 at 11:00 a.m. A temporary jail will be set up at St. Mary's Square where participants can be freed on bail (donations). After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to make an effort to participate in this project.

RESOLUTION NO. Z87-04
REGULATIONS FOR FLOODPLAINS, REGULATORY FLOODS, AND
FLOOD HAZARD AREAS

Present: Robin Guyther, Planner, OPZ

The Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the adoption of a proposed Text Amendment to Section 38.03 of the St. Mary's Zoning Ordinance in order to bring St. Mary's County in compliance with Section 60.3d and e of the National Flood Insurance Program regulations.

Mr. Guyther presented Resolution No. Z-87-04 adopting the Flood Insurance Rate Maps and amendments to the Zoning Ordinance consisting of Regulations for Floodplains, Regulatory floods and Flood Hazard Areas and recommended approval by the Board of the Resolution.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve and sign Resolution No. Z87-04. Motion carried.

LIVABILITY CODE

Present: Joseph Mitchell, Director, Economic & Community Development

Mr. Mitchell appeared before the Commissioners to present a Grant Application for the Livability Code Implementation Program. He explained that the joint application, which is being done in concert with the Town of Leonardtown, is in the amount of \$13,000 and will be used for several activities. These activities include:

1. To appoint a task force to provide continual oversight in the development of the Code;
2. To conduct a local rental housing stock survey;
3. To hire of consultant to analyze livability codes;
4. To conduct a public informational meeting;
5. To prepare a draft Livability Code;
6. To conduct a Public Hearing;
7. To prepare the code, to print educational materials, and to conduct workshops.

Mr. Mitchell indicated that the Application is due Friday, May 15 at the Maryland Department of Economic & Community Development, and requested the Board's concurrent to authorize Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the Grant Application.

After discussion, Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the Grant Application as presented. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

1) BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The County Administrator presented the following budget amendments recommended for approval by the Director of Finance with justifications as indicated:

NO. 87-37
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Justification: To fund inspection overtime costs through April 13, 1987 and inspection costs anticipated through June 30, 1987.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve Budget Amendment No. 87-37 as presented. Motion carried.

NO. 87-36
FINANCE OFFICE

Justification: To correct classification of debt service.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve Budget Amendment No. 87-36 as presented. Motion carried.

2) CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECT NO. MD 870420-0272
COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCE SYSTEM

The County Administrator presented the referenced clearinghouse project which has been reviewed by the Office of Planning and Zoning and recommended for approval for submission to the State with the comment that it is consistent with this agency's plans, programs and objectives. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

3) RSVP GRANT
NOTIFICATION OF GRANT AWARD

The County Administrator reminded the Commissioners that Mrs. McGaharn had previously submitted the referenced NGA in the amount of \$34,000 for the period April 1, 1987 through March 31, 1988. A decision was withheld until such time as the Board had an opportunity to review the narrative of the grant.

After discussion, Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to authorize Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the NGA for submission to A.C.T.I.O.N. Motion carried.

4) COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT GRANT MODIFICATION

The County Administrator presented Modification No. One in the amount of \$6,000 to the FY '87 Coastal Zone Management Agreement between the Department of Natural Resources. He stated that DNR's fiscal year is being changed to begin October 1 and therefore the Agreement modification will provide funding until October 1, 1987.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve and sign the Coastal Zone Management Grant Modification as presented. Motion carried.

5) SOUTHERN MARYLAND HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY

The County Administrator presented correspondence addressed to SMHSA appointing George Smith, Director, St. Mary's Nursing Home to serve on the Task Force to examine the future of SMHSA.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter.

6) JOB SERVICE COMPONENT PLAN

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated March 12, 1987 from the Department of Employment and Training which forwarded the proposed Job Service Plan for the period July 1, 1987 through June 30, 1988 for the Commissioners' consideration.

After discussion Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to authorize Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the 1987-1988 Job Service Component Plan. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

Present: John v. Baggett, Director

1) ST. CLEMENTS MUSEUM BOAT

As a follow up to discussion at last week's meeting, Mr. Baggett requested the Board's approval of the Agreement by and between St. Mary's County Department of Recreation and Parks and FISH N PARTIES, INC. for the operation of a tour boat from St. Clement's Island Museum to St. Clement's Island.

After discussion the Commissioners directed Mr. Baggett to amend the Agreement as follows:

- a) Remove the signature line for the President of the Commissioners in that the Agreement is with Recreation and Parks;
- b) That the Agreement with FISH N PARTIES, INC. be tied in to available funds from the State.

After discussion Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to authorize Mr. Baggett to sign the Agreement with FISH N PARTIES, INC. with the changes as indicated above. Motion carried.

2) GRANT APPLICATION
HANDICAPPED SUMMER FUN CAMPS

Mr. Baggett presented a grant application in the amount of \$36,204 to be submitted to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for a Handicapped Summer Fun Camp Program for the period July 1, 1987 through June 30, 1988 and requested Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the application.

After discussion Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to authorize Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the grant application for the Handicapped Summer Fun Camp in the amount of \$36,204 (local share is \$12,303). Motion carried.

OFFICE ON AGING

Present: Billye McGaharn, Director, Area Aging

1) AREA PLAN FOR PROGRAMS ON AGING

Mrs. McGaharn presented the referenced Area Agency Plan and reviewed the summary of the Plan including the Statements of Goals and Objectives. The Budget Summary of the Plan notes that the total funds are in the amount of \$146,974 (federal), \$89,769 (state), and \$24,708 (contributions), and \$14,697 (local). The Plan is for the period October 1, 1987 - September 30, 1988. Mrs. McGaharn requested the Board to review the documents and to take action at next week's meeting so that it can be submitted to State Office on Aging.

2) ST. MARY'S COUNTY TRANSPORTATION GRANT APPLICATION

Mrs. McGaharn presented the grant application for Transportation which includes the Statewide Special Transportation Assistance Program (SSTAP) and the Section 18 Programs. Funding for SSTAP is: \$43,807 (state), \$14,602 (local) for a total of \$60,409; Section 18 funding - \$12,114 (state), \$25,074 (federal), \$8,000 (project income) for a total of \$57,302. As with the previous grant, Mrs. McGaharn requested the Board to review the application and made a decision at next week's meeting so that it can be submitted to the Mass Transit Administration.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Present: John Norris, Director

1) ROAD RESOLUTIONS
TIPPETT ROAD AND CHRISTMAN ROAD

Mr. Norris presented the following Road Resolutions for approval by the Board:

No. R87-24 - Designating the following streets in the Sixth Election District to be Stop Streets:

Tippett Road at its intersection with Blackistone Rd.

Christman road at its intersection with Blackistone Rd.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to authorize Commissioner President O'Dell to sign Road Resolution No. R87-24. Motion carried.

No R87-25 - Posting Tippet Road and Christman Road
at 25 miles per hour.

2) ACCEPTANCE OF DEED
ROAD RESOLUTIONS
ESPERANZA FARMS CORPORATION

Mr. Norris presented a Deed by and between Esperanza Farms Corporation and St. Mary's County accepting Lake Drive, Adams Court, Wilson Court, and Dillow Court into the County Highway Maintenance System.

In addition Mr. Norris presented the following Road Resolutions:

R87-23 - Posting Lake Drive, Lake Court, Wilson Court,
Dillow Court, in Esperanza Farms Subdivision at 25 miles
per hour.

R87-24 - Designating the following streets be Stop
Streets:

Lake Drive as it intersects with Esperanza Dr.
Wilson Court as it intersects with Lake Dr.
Dillow Court as it intersects with Lake Dr.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to accept the Deed and approve and sign the Road Resolutions as presented. Motion carried.

3) MECHANICSVILLE RESCUE SQUAD
RIGHT-OF-WAY

Mr. Norris presented correspondence dated April 18, 1987 from the Mechanicsville Rescue Squad requesting that the right-of-way on the east side of Old Route 5 in Mechanicsville, south of Flora Corner Road be developed, graded and finished. The purpose of this request is to alleviate a sight distance problem and will permit proper grader of the site for development of new quarters for the Rescue Squad.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the request and that funds for this project come from Highway Hazard Location funds. Motion carried.

4) SOUTH RIVER ROAD
RELOCATION OF UTILITY POLES

Mr. Norris indicated that he had requested an estimate for the relocation of utility poles on South River Road. Residents of the road have request the relocation because of the hazard one of the poles creates because of its closeness to the road. He stated that if in the future there was a need and funds were available the road would be rebuilt, and that the poles could be moved back so that if the County did rebuild that element of the project would be done. The electric company has proposed that the cost to do the relocation would be \$4,967.71.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to authorize Mr. Norris to proceed with the project using finds from the Highway Hazard Account. Motion carried.

5) ST. ANDREWS LANDFILL

Mr. Norris indicated to the Board that St. Andrews has approximately seven to eight years life remaining and that design of the additional facility would give 4 lifts to the landfill. This would not only extend the life but would save significant dollars. He further requested that he may be able to get approximately 75,000 cubic yards of dirt for use at the landfill from an adjacent project. In conclusion he noted that that the cost to extend the life of the landfill four to five years would be approximately \$150,000 which be a significant savings in the long run.

6) GOVERNMENTAL CENTER PROPERTY
MAINTENANCE STORAGE BUILDING

Mr. Norris displayed the site plan for the maintenance storage building to be located on the Governmental Center property and stated that the cost of a portion of a road will be tied into the construction of the detention center and the state office building projects. Mr. Norris indicated that funds are in the current budget for this building and requested Commissioner President O'Dell to sign the site plan.

The Commissioners deferred a decision on this approval until a later date.

7) FY '88 CAPITAL PROJECTS

As a follow up to previous meetings, Mr. Norris presented a list of additional authorization requests for the FY '88 Capital Budget of the Department of Public Works. The Commissioners will review and discuss these items during the budget review later in the day.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Charles H. Wade, Jr., Director of Finance
Gerda Manson, Personnel Officer

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of Personnel (reclassification requests). Motion carried. The Session was held from 11:35 a.m. to 11:55 a.m.

PROCLAMATION
HOMEMAKERS MONTH

The Commissioners presented the referenced Proclamation designating the Month of May as Homemakers' Month in St. Mary's County.

FY '88 BUDGET REVIEW

Present: Charles H. Wade, Jr., Director of Finance

At this time the Commissioners reviewed the FY '88 Capital and Operating Budget requests. Commissioners Jarboe and O'Dell offered recommended amendments to the Recommended Budget, and Mr. Wade was directed to develop separate documents incorporating the changes. The Commissioners will continue to review the Recommended Budget and offer any further amendments at next week's meeting.

(THE EVENING SESSION BEGAN AT 6:00 P.M.)

PUBLIC FORUM

At this time the Commissioners conducted the public forum accepting comments and questions from the audience. Comments were received from Mr. Cecil Kidd regarding alleged zoning violations at Hidden Meadows Subdivision in the Fifth Election District.

GREENVIEW WEST

Present: James Dobry, developer
Mr. Hoffman
Marianne Johnson
Interested Citizens

Mr. Dobry described various review and approval process problems he had encountered with the Greenview West project with the Planning and Zoning Department and the Department of Public Works, especially scheduling and completion of technical review. Mr. Dobry also mentioned problems with the Metropolitan Commission concerning issues of water and sewer, some of which are in a state of active litigation.

The Commissioners agreed to check with the various departments and look into Mr. Dobry's claims.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER TIME

1) IDENTIFICATION SIGN FOR MORGANZA - Commissioner Bailey reported that State Highway Administration had responded to his regarding the erection of identification signs on Md. Rt. 5 for the residents of Morganza. The signs will be installed by late summer.

2) RIDESHARING PROGRAM - Commissioner Jarboe presented draft correspondence to Tri-County Council endorsing the Council's application for UMTA funds for the administration of the ridesharing program. The County Administrator will prepare the correspondence for signatures for next week's meeting.


3) JOB RECRUITMENT PROGRAM - Commissioner O'Dell referred to the Office of Economic & Community Development's correspondence of April 15 presenting an update on the proposed joint effort with local contractors in the recruiting program, and requested the Board's concurrence in the proposal set forth in the memo. He stated that if necessary funds will have to be identified for this project. A working group will have to be appointed to develop a program and strategy. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

4) ST. MARY'S COUNTY AIRPORT - Commissioner O'Dell referred to correspondence from DECD dated April 15, 1987 outlining an approach toward providing the economic study of the Airport. He stated that he agreed with the approach set forth in the memorandum with one exception--that a public hearing not be held until a concrete plan is developed. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED,



Joseph P. O'Dell
President