

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGTuesday, July 7, 1987

Present: Commissioner W. Edward Bailey, Vice-President  
 Commissioner Robert Jarboe  
 Commissioner John G. Lancaster  
 Commissioner Rodney Thompson  
 Charles H. Wade, Jr., Director of Finance  
 Judith A. Spalding, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner O'Dell was not present.)

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, June 30, 1987. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

Present: Charles H. Wade, Jr., Director of Finance  
 (on behalf of County Administrator Edward Cox)

1) CORRESPONDENCE TO MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Wade presented correspondence addressed to the Motor Vehicle Administration expressing the County's continued commitment to the location of a MVA service facility in St. Mary's County and proposing the location at a site adjacent to the Maryland State Police barracks.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter.

2) 350TH CELEBRATION COMMITTEE  
MARYLAND HUMANITIES COUNCIL GRANT

Mr. Wade presented the referenced grant application for funds to assist the 350th Celebration Committee in honoring Mathia de Sousa, Maryland's first black citizen.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Vice-President Bailey to sign the Grant Application as presented. Motion carried.

3) REVENUE TASK FORCE

As a follow up to last week's discussion, Mr. Wade presented correspondence to be forwarded to the various agencies/firms soliciting nominations to serve on the Revenue Task Force. The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letters.

4) RESOLUTION NO. 87-09  
AMENDMENT TO SEDIMENTATION CONTROL ORDINANCE

The Commissioners having conducted a public hearing on June 9, 1987 and held subsequent discussion, Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution No. 87-09 effecting certain changes to the text of the St. Mary's County Sedimentation Control Ordinance. Motion carried.

5) AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES  
SENIOR CITIZENS' LUNCH

On behalf of the Director of Area Agency on Aging, Mr. Wade presented the Agreement for Services with St. Mary's Public Schools and the Office on Aging in connection with Senior Citizens' Lunch Program. Under the Older Americans Act a grant is being provided by the State to provide meals for the elderly.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Bailey to sign the Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

6) PROPOSED LEASE FOR COUNTY AIRPORT  
AIRPARK SALES AND SERVICES, INC.

Mr. Wade reported that the proposed Lease from Airpark Sales and Services has been reviewed by the Airport Commission and submitted to the Commissioners with a recommendation for approval. He stated that he will forward it the Assistant County for review and comment.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Present: William Penn  
Bob Hall

The referenced representatives from Metropolitan Life Insurance Company appeared before the Commissioners to offer a program for St. Mary's County Government employees. Mr. Hall stated that the program would give employees an opportunity to acquire additional life insurance protection on a payroll deduction basis. In discussing the plan, Mr. Hall noted that the plan would be of benefit to the employee by allowing them to acquire permanent life insurance on a discounted basis and convenient because of payroll deductions.

The Commissioners indicated that it was their understanding that Metropolitan Life was to conduct a survey in order to determine the employees' interest. Commissioner Bailey pointed out that it was the Commissioners' policy to not allow insurance payroll deductions unless it was competitively bid.

In conclusion the Commissioners agreed to review the program and respond at a later date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Charles H. Wade, Jr., Director of Finance  
Billye McGaharn, Director, Area Agency on Aging

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss Personnel. Motion carried. The Session was held from 9:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (Mrs. McGaharn left the Session at 9:50 and the Commissioners continued in Executive Session on Personnel until 10:00 a.m.)

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING

Present: Frank Gerred, Director, Office of Planning and Zoning

1) ALPD #86-0250 - WALTER AND ROMAYNE RAUM

Mr. Gerred advised that the referenced application for an agricultural land preservation district was approved by the previous Board of County Commissioners in May of 1986; however, the State was unable to process it with available funds in FY '87 and reapproval for this year is now necessary.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to reapprove ALPD #86-0250. Motion approved.

2) CRITICAL AREAS BRIEFING

Mr. Gerred advised the Board that the Critical Areas is being developed as part of the Comprehensive Plan update process. He explained that one of the tasks is the classification of the specific critical area districts (Intense, Limited, and Resource Conservation). Mr. Gerred pointed out that each time the State Critical Area Commission conducts a public hearing on the Program, the County must have a hearing. He indicated that the Commissioners have the right to change the Program after each hearing. In concluding his presentation, Mr. Gerred advised that there will be a joint hearing with the County Commissioners and Planning Commission on July 21 at the Leonardtown Middle School on the Critical Areas.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Charles Wade, Director of Finance  
John Norris, Director, Department of Public Works  
Joseph Densford, Assistant County Attorney

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to discuss a matter of property acquisition. Motion carried. The Session was held from 10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CHECK

Present: Walter K. Sterling

The Commissioners presented Mr. Sterling, as a member of the Leonardtown Volunteer Fire Department, with his first retirement check.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION TOUR

At this time the Commissioners left to tour various agricultural sites in the County with the Department of Economic & Community Development and the Agricultural Commission.

(Commissioner Thompson left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.)

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

PUBLIC FORUM

At this time the Commissioners opened the meeting for questions and comments from the audience.

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY PROPERTY

Present: John Norris, Director, Department of Public Works

Mr. Norris appeared before the Commissioners to present correspondence addressed to Previews, Inc. serving as a letter of intent to execute an option to purchase the St. Mary's Academy property from the Sisters of Charity. He explained that FSI, the firm conducting the space needs study for the County, recommended this action in that development at the Governmental Center property is more and more limited. Mr. Norris stated that FSI proposes that if the County exercises its option to purchase, the Academy could be used for Board of Education and Community College. He indicated that the letter of intent would give the County at least six months to evaluate its interest in the property and to conduct a physical and financial evaluation. The option to purchase would be without cost to St. Mary's County.

The Commissioners presented agreed to sign the letter as presented and agreed to offer an opportunity to the two absent Commissioners (Commissioners O'Dell and Thompson).

PUBLIC HEARING  
LONGVIEW BEACH SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT

Present: John Norris, Director, Department of Public Works  
Latrey Washington, Longview Beach Citizens Assoc.  
Roscoe Alexander, "  
Bernard Lucas, "  
Glenn Gass, Engineer, "  
Other citizens from Longview Beach

The Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the establishment of a Special Taxing District in the Longview Beach Subdivision for the reconstruction and improvement of streets in that subdivision. The streets to be included are: Longview Boulevard, from Md. St. 238 to Mill Creek Drive; Pleasant Lane, from Longview Boulevard to Wicomico Drive; Meadow Road, from Longview Boulevard to Upland Drive; Upland Drive, from Longview Boulevard to Meadow Road; Fairview Drive, from Longview Boulevard to Upland Drive; Upland Drive, from Fairview Drive to Wilson Drive; Wicomico Drive, from Pleasant Lane to Harbor Drive; and Harbor Drive, from Wicomico Drive to Mill Creek Drive.

The secretary read the notice of public hearing.

Mr. Norris displayed a plat of the Longview Beach Subdivision and explained the roads to be included in the Special Taxing District. He advised that he attended a public meeting at Longview Beach on June 14 at which time various alternatives were presented for improvements and paybacks. He proposed that unimproved lots abutting the roads in the District would pay \$50 per year and improved lots approximately \$145 per year. As additional homes are built and included in the district, the cost per lot owner would decrease accordingly. Total cost of the project is estimated to be \$453,700 with the county's cost to be \$205,000 (the difference of costs for application of surface treatment to asphalt. The County is sharing in the cost by upgrading the surface of the streets.

The Commissioners opened the discussion for comments and questions from the audience at which time several of the Longview Beach citizens expressed agreement with the District and several expressed concerns. One of the main concerns was the fact that certain roads were not being included in the District, but the property owner with dwellings on those roads was responsible for paying \$145. Some expressed the opinion that they would not be deriving benefit and offered that those roads should be included.

After lengthy discussion and several alternative suggestions, Mr. Norris advised that the Commissioners would have ten days from the hearing to accept additional comments and to make a decision on the matter. He indicated that he would prepare the establishing Resolution in accordance with comments made at this hearing and with the Commissioners' direction.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Tuesday, July 14, 1987

Present: Commissioner Joseph P. O'Dell, President  
Commissioner W. Edward Bailey, Vice-President  
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 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, July 7, 1987. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

1) MARYLAND INSURANCE POOL

The County Administrator announced that notice was received from the Local Government Insurance Trust dated July 2 that the Maryland Deferred Insurance Trust (Pool) is in effect as of July 1, 1987 and the St. Mary's County is a participant. He explained that he has been asked to be appointed to the nine-member Board of Trustees, and requested the Board's approval of this appointment.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

2) CONTRACT SERVICE AGREEMENT  
ALCOHOL PREVENTION PROGRAM

The County Administrator presented the Contract Service Agreement with Joseph L. Dick for support services to the Office of Community Services in carrying out the responsibilities as the County's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Coordinator for the period July 1, 1987 through June 30, 1988.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner O'Dell to sign the Contract for the state grant position. Motion carried.

3) PERSONNEL  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN I - RECLASSIFICATION

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated July 13, 1987 from the Personnel Office recommending the approval of the Department of Public Works request to reclassify the Engineering Technician I, Grade 7, to a Drafter (Trainee), Grade 6. Because of unqualified applicants, this request is made until an applicant can be trained and the position upgraded.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve this request. Motion carried.

4) CORRESPONDENCE TO CAPT. SMALL - NESEA

The County Administrator presented correspondence for the Commissioners' review and signatures addressed to Capt. Small expressing appreciation for allowing members of the Ridge Volunteer Rescue Squad employed at NESEA to respond to medical emergencies.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter as presented.

5) JOHN BOHANAN - QUIT CLAIM DEED

The County Administrator advised that Mr. Densford, Assistant County Attorney, has researched the land records and determined that it was difficult to determine ownership of the 20 foot strip of land connecting the water tower road in Patuxent Park Subdivision with Saratoga Drive. Therefore, Mr. Densford recommended that the County execute a Quit Claim Deed to Mr. Bohanan, the owner of the water tower property, which would convey that strip of land.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to grant the Quit Claim Deed as recommended. Motion carried.

6) NURSING CENTER BY-LAWS

The County Administrator advised that the Nursing Center By-Laws have been reviewed by the Director of Finance and County Attorney; therefore, it is recommended that the Commissioners approve the By-Laws as presented with the condition that all future changes would be subject to review and approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve the By-Laws for the Nursing Center as recommended. Motion carried.

7) JOHNSONGRASS AGREEMENT

The County Administrator presented an Agreement by and between the Department of Agriculture and St. Mary's County for the Control and Eradication of Johnsongrass, Shattercane, Thistles, and Multiflora Rose.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve and authorize Commissioner O'Dell to sign the Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

8) ST. MARY'S COUNTY AIRPORT  
RULES AND REGULATIONS

The County Administrator explained that correspondence dated June 2, 1987 had been received from the Airport Commission submitting Rules, Regulations, and Minimum Standards for the St. Mary's County Airport. Mr. Cox recommended that the Commissioners approve the Rules and Regulations with the stipulation that any amendments must be approved by the Board. The Commissioners gave their concurrence and directed the County Administrator to prepare correspondence to the Airport Commission to that effect.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator  
Billye McGaharn, Director, Area Agency on Aging

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of Personnel with the County Administrator followed by an Executive Session on Personnel with Mrs. McGaharn. Motion carried. The Session began at 9:25 a.m. with Mrs. McGaharn entering the Session at 9:35 a.m. Session ended at 10:00 a.m.

COUNTY COMISSIONERS' TIME

1) Compton Road - Extension of W/S Lines

Commissioner Lancaster reported that he met with some of the citizens of Compton Road to explain Metropolitan Commission's intention to allocate 13 EDU's (Equivalent Dwelling Units) for water/sewer lines on Compton Road. He stated that he explained MetComm's needs to obtain easements in order to do this project, and that at the conclusion of the meeting the residents understood the need and were willing to give the easements.

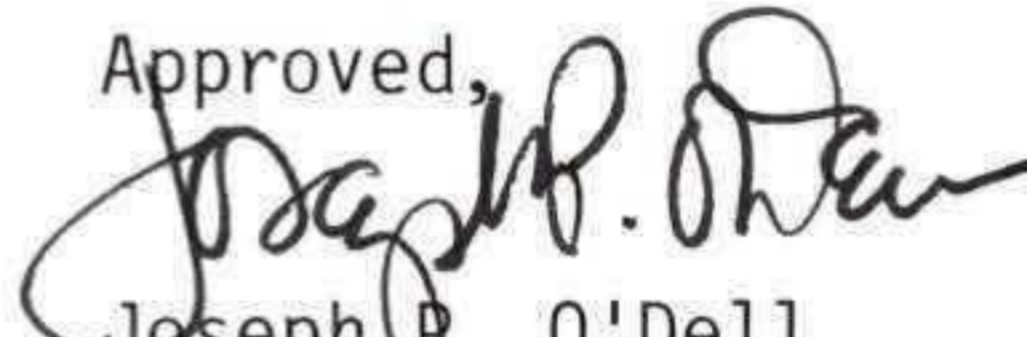
2 St. Mary's Art Council

As a follow up to a presentation to the Board on March 10 and to a memorandum dated July 2, 1987 from the Director of Recreation and Parks, Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to appoint the St. Mary's County Arts Council as an official representative for St. Mary's County. The purpose of this designation is to have a source for grants from the Maryland Arts Council. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Approved,



Joseph P. O'Dell  
President

