

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGTuesday, June 28, 1988

Present: Commissioner Carl M. Loffler, Jr., President
 Commissioner W. Edward Bailey
 Commissioner Robert T. Jarboe
 Commissioner Rodney Thompson
 Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
 Judith A. Spalding, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner John Lancaster was not present.)

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, June 21, 1988. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

UPDATE ON GOVERNOR THOMAS BRIDGE CLOSING

Present: Tom Oliver, Director, Emergency Operations Center

Mr. Oliver appeared before the Commissioners to present an update on the closing of the Governor Thomas Johnson Bridge because of cracks in eight of the pier supports. He reviewed the history of the bridge and noted the dates of inspections. The projected date for completion of the repairs is Labor Day. During discussion Mr. Oliver discussed the emergency bus service, the ferry service from Town Creek to Solomons Island and the parking areas.

In closing Mr. Oliver advised that there will be a meeting on June 30 at 3:00 p.m. at Holiday Inn in Solomons to discuss the situation.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

1) EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated June 27, 1988 from the Chairman of the Education Advisory Council requesting an extension of the Council's appointment to July 27 in order to complete the compilation and review of the survey data.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to approve the extension of the Council as requested. Motion carried.

2) BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 88-72
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

The County Administrator presented the referenced budget amendment recommended for approval by the Director of Finance in the amount of \$5,000 for a feasibility study for the planned conference center at St. Mary's College.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Budget Amendment as presented. Motion carried.

3) PETITION TO WIDEN ROUTE 236

The County Administrator presented correspondence addressed to State Highway Administration forwarding petitions received requesting that MD. Rt. 236 be widened to accommodate the horse and buggy traffic.

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward the letter.

4) PERSONNEL
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated June 23, 1988 from the Personnel Office recommending the reclassification of the Fiscal Clerk II, Grade 6 position to a Data Systems Operator/Fiscal Clerk, Grade 7.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the reclassification request as presented. Motion carried.

5) OFFICE ON AGING
FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT

The County Administrator presented an Agreement dated June 30, 1988 by and between St. Mary's Public Schools and St. Mary's County Office on Aging for food services in connection with the Senior Citizens Lunch Program.

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

6) ZONING AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. Z88-03
O'BRIEN/TENNYSON PROPERTY (ZONE #86-1809)

(Application to rezone 6.0138 acres of land from C-1, Commercial, and R-1, Rural Residential, to C-2, Commercial, property located on the northeast corner of Maple Road and Md. Rt. 235 in California, Parcel 140, on Tax Map 35C, Eighth Election District.)

The Commissioners have conducted a public hearing and subsequent discussion, Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Zoning Amendment Resolution No. Z88-03 approving the zoning application as requested. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

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

1) ORDINANCE NO. 88-18
DELINQUENT COMMERCIAL AND NON-COMMERCIAL
PROPERTY TAX INTEREST AND PENALTIES

The Commissioners having conducted a public hearing June 14, 1988 on the referenced Ordinance, Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve Ordinance No. 88-18 - Delinquent Commercial and Non-Commercial Property Tax Interest and Penalties. Motion carried.

2) BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 88-71
FINANCE

Mr. Wade presented the referenced Budget Amendment in the amount of \$118,924 in order to reapportion budgeted debt service account categories to accommodate bond payment made during FY '88.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Budget Amendment as presented. Motion carried.

3) BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 88-73
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Mr. Wade presented the referenced Budget Amendment in the amount of \$40,931 for the designation of funds for payment of medical expenses totalling \$39,531 for an inmate at the County Detention Center. Such designation is being made should the County be required to pay for such medical costs at a subsequent date. An additional \$1,400 is required to pay other miscellaneous medical costs for inmates to June 30, 1988.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Budget Amendment as presented. Motion carried.

4) DESIGNATION OF FY '88 FUNDS

Mr. Wade presented a list setting forth projects (indicating action, source and status) that need to be brought forward as FY '88 designated funds and carried over to FY '89.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve this request. Motion carried.

ST. MARY'S PRESS
MARYLAND INDUSTRIAL LOAN ACT APPLICATION

(Commissioner Loffler did not participate.)

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Joseph Mitchell, Director, DECD
Susan Wilkerson, Economic Development Specialist
Charles Palmer, St. Mary's Press
Stuart Stern, "
Rudolph Schaefer, Md. Dept. of Economic & Employment Development
Steve Shen, "

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of property acquisition. Motion carried. The Session was held from 9:45 a.m. to 10:08 a.m.

2. LETTER OF INTEREST

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the expansion of St. Mary's Press and to request the County's support of a MILA application for construction of a 14,000 square foot shell building. Mr. Palmer explained the history of St. Mary's Press, the increased number of employees and payroll over the past eleven years. Mr. Mitchell pointed out that St. Mary's County has facilitated MILA and MIDFA assistance for St. Mary's Press in the past.

After discussion Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to authorize Commissioner Vice-President Jarboe to sign the Letter of Interest to DEED for the MILA Loan application in the amount of \$500,000. Motion carried.

WICOMICO SHORES SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT PROPOSAL

Present: Joseph Mitchell, Director, DECD

Mr. Mitchell presented a report to the Commissioners from the Wicomico Shores Study Group relative to the establishment of a special taxing district to upgrade the water/sewer services and to improve existing roads at Wicomico Shores. He stated that of the 394 lot owners balloted, 74.6% indicated they were in favor of the taxing district.

During discussion Mr. Mitchell advised that the Committee recommends that the Commissioners direct the Department of Public Works to begin the process of drafting an Ordinance and conducting a public hearing for the establishment of a special taxing district for Wicomico Shores.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to direct the Department of Public Works to proceed with the taxing district as outlined above. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Present: John Norris, Director

1) REQUEST FOR SECURITY LIGHT
WINTERSEAT DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Norris presented correspondence dated June 22 from a resident of Winterseat Development requesting the installation of a security light at the intersection of the development at Md. Rt. 235 in Hollywood.

After discussion Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to grant this request. Motion carried.

2) ADDENDUM TO PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Norris presented an Addendum to a Public Works Agreement by and between J. Laurence Millison and the St. Mary's County Commissioners extending the deadline July 1, 1989 for completion of improvements in Cedar Cove, Section III, Eighth Election District.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Addendum. Motion carried.

3) REDMOND ROAD SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT

Mr. Norris advised that a petition has been received for the widening of Redmond Road in the Redgate Area. The Commissioners acknowledged receipt of the petition and authorize Mr. Norris to proceed with the informational meeting and public hearing process.

4) EASEMENT AGREEMENT

Mr. Norris displayed the Airport Layout Plan and pointed out the property that the County had an obligation to obtain a easement as required by FAA. Therefore, Mr. Norris presented an Easement Agreement by and between Harold J. Pospisil for land designated as Parcel 11 in the amount of \$2,025.08, which has been executed by the property owner.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Easement Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

5) HAULING OF DIRT TO LANDFILL

Mr. Norris reviewed correspondence dated July 17, 1988 from Wildewood Builders, inc. requesting reconsideration concerning the discontinuance of removal of dirt from Wildewood Shopping Center to the county landfill. During discussion Mr. Norris recommended that he respond by stating that the county would follow similar procedures utilized in the receipt of material at the St. Andrews Landfill. The county will accept the material delivered by the contractor and the will provide the necessary equipment and stockpile the material at the landfill. The Commissioners gave their concurrence.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
John Norris, Director, Department of Public Works

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of property acquisition. Motion carried. The Session was held from 10:55 to 11:10 a.m.

MARYLAND HIGHWAY SAFETY AWARD

Present: Sheriff Wayne Pettit
Cpl. James Raley
Lt. Phil Cooper

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the awards received by the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Department. The awards were as follows: Governor's Highway Safety Competition for County's Distinguished Participation Award and Governor's Highway Safety Competition for County Third Place Award for Safety Belts and their Usage.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Sheriff Pettit

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to meet in Executive Session in order to discussion a matter of Personnel. Motion carried. The Session was held from 11:20 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
SERGEANT RANK POSITION

Present: Sheriff Pettit

Sheriff Pettit appeared before the Commissioners to request consideration for an additional sergeant rank position. He stated that an individual who is now a corporal will be promoted to sergeant for the training coordinator position. An additional sergeant position is needed in the Sheriff's Department, which can be funded in the next fiscal year's budget.

After discussion Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to to authorize an additional sergeant rank position as requested. Motion carried.

COMMENDATIONS
MARYLAND YOUTH WELLNESS CONFERENCE

Present: Ann Kovalcik, Community Services Coordinator
Student Recipients

The County Commissioners presented commendations to county high school students for their contribution and participation in the successful Maryland Youth Wellness Conference.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss a matter of Personnel (appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions). The Session was held from 12:25 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING
MORATORIUM DISCUSSION

Present: Robin Guyther, Deputy Director
Betsy Anthony, Recording Secretary.

Mr. Guyther informed the Commissioners that the Planning Commission did not vote on the Comprehensive Plan at their meeting; however, they did recommend that the Commissioners extend the moratorium until the Plan was adopted. He explained that the Planning Commission was having another work session on July 6, 1988, and would have their recommendation to the Commissioners by July 12, 1988. Mr. Guyther indicated that September 6, 1988 was the final day that the Commissioners could either reject or accept the Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Loffler asked what the effect of extending or lifting the moratorium would be. Mr. Guyther replied that he felt there would not be a major effect, but the moratorium had prevented a developer from building a large subdivision in a rural area of the county.

Commissioner Loffler inquired as to how long it would take someone, with perhaps 100 acres, to complete the subdivision process (i.e. perc tests, surveys, etc.) and Mr. Guyther indicated that it could take six months to one year to complete the total process.

Mr. Guyther distributed a schedule which delineated the time frame regarding the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan for the Commissioners to review.

The Commissioners concurred not to extend the moratorium.

After discussion, Mr. Guyther was instructed to proceed with the process using the current administrative policy.

CHARTER BOARD APPOINTMENTS


Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, and motion carried to make the following appointments to the Charter Board:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Nominated By</u>
Paul Chesser	Commissioner Loffler
Abell Longmore	Commissioner Jarboe
Fred Wallace	Commissioner Bailey
Jonathan Nelson	Commissioner Lancaster
W. D. McGarity	Commissioner Thompson
Michael Whitson	Legislative Delegation
Richard Wilson	Chamber of Commerce
Harry (Lanny) Lancaster	Democratic Central Committee
Barbara Thompson	Republican Central Committee

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

APPROVED,


Carl M. Loffler, Jr.
President