

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

March 2, 1993

Present: Carl M. Loffler, Jr., President
W. Edward Bailey, Commissioner
Robert T. Jarboe, Commissioner
John G. Lancaster, Commissioner
Barbara R. Thompson, Commissioner
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 Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, February 23, 1993. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

1) **Community College Site**

(Commissioner Loffler did not participate.)

Also Present: Community College Board Members
Charles County Community College Reps.
Commissioners of Leonardtown

The County Administrator advised that after several weeks of negotiations for a community college site in St. Mary's County, the following documents have been prepared for the Commissioners' review, approval and signatures:

- o Memorandum of Understanding between Board of County Commissioners and Jackson Realty Corporation for 38 acres at the former St. Mary's Academy site in Leonardtown in the amount of \$1,775,000.
- o Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of County Commissioners and Interstate General Company for 24 acres adjacent to the former St. Mary's Academy site in Leonardtown for \$525,000.

After the County Administrator highlighted the major points of the Memoranda of Understanding, Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign the MOU's as presented. Motion carried.

- o Information Release announcing that the Commissioners have entered into Memoranda of Understanding to acquire the former Academy property and adjacent land for a community college site in St. Mary's County. The Release describes the selection process and outlines the contents of the MOU's of Understanding.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, to distribute the Information Release as presented. Motion carried.

- o Correspondence addressed to the County's Legislative Delegation indicating that the Academy site will be evaluated to determine its suitability for a community college and seeking cooperation regarding state funding.

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

2) **Policy Memorandum
Privatization Procedures**

As a follow up to previous discussions, the County Administrator presented a memorandum to be distributed to all departments setting forth procedures for preparing cost estimates for services under consideration to be performed by private industry on a contractual basis.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign and forward the Policy Memorandum as presented. Motion carried.

3) **Board of Education - Object/Category Transfers**

The County Administrator presented correspondence addressed the Board of Education approving the object category transfers in the Fiscal Year 1993 budget as outlined in February 24 correspondence.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to sign and forward the correspondence as presented. Motion carried.

4) **Grants**

The County Administrator presented the following grants for the Commissioners' review and approval:

Office on Aging

Retired Senior Volunteer Program Grant Renewal for the period July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1994 in the amount of \$54,388 (\$36,851 - federal; \$17,537 - local)

State's Attorney

Child Support Cooperative Reimbursement Grant for the period July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1994 (\$103,167 - federal; \$58,702 -local)

Board of Education

Grant Awards received but not included in the Approved Operating Budget for FY '93 (Chapter II - \$1,542; Project Independent - \$6,322; Teen Parenting - \$8,000).

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Office on Aging and State's Attorney's grants and to sign the letter to the Board of Education approving the inclusion of grant awards in the FY '93 Board of Education Budget as outlined in February 10 correspondence.

5) **Response to Employees - Personnel Manual**

The County Administrator presented correspondence addressed to several employees responding to letters commenting on the proposed changes to the Personnel Manual.

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

6) **Southern Maryland Higher Education Facility**

a) **Letter to Department of General Services**

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated February 26 from Jon Grimm as Chairman of the Building Authority updating the Commissioners on the status of the Commission's efforts regarding the Southern Maryland Higher Education Facility. The memorandum indicates the Department of General Services willingness to assist in the planning, design, construction, and management of the proposed facility and enclosed correspondence to GSA to that effect for the Commissioners' signatures.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign and forward the letter as presented.

b) **Board of Governors - Draft By-Laws**

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated February 17 from the St. Mary's Technology Council submitting draft by-laws for the Board of Governors along with a list of nominees to be sent to the Governor for his appointment.

The Commissioners agreed to table the by-laws until next week's meeting and to review the list of nominees in the Executive Session scheduled later in today's meeting.

7) **Appointments
Boards, Committees, Commissions**

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, and motion carried, to make the following appointments with terms as indicated:

Agriculture/Seafood Commission	Terms to Expire
Edward Baroniak	12/31/94/96
Donald P. Tennyson	12/31/95
Economic Development Commission	
George Smith	6/30/96
Enhanced 911/Uniform Addressing Task Force	
Lt. Scott Whitney	No Term
Joe America	No Term
Ethics Commission	
John O. Gatton, Jr.	6/30/93/96
Human Relations Commission	
James W. Diggs	6/30/93/6/30/97
Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Victim Advisory Council	
Patricia L. Bolds	No Term
Arlene L. Rodriguez	No Term
Lt. Richard J. Voorhaar	No Term
Joseph P. Jones, III	6/30/97
Plumbing Board	
Charles W. Blaine (Natural Gas Rep.)	No Term

8) **Resolution No. 93-08
Courtyard at Great Mills**

As a follow up to previous discussions on February 16 and 23, the County Administrator presented a Resolution endorsing the Courtyard of Great Mills rental housing project comprised of 120 units, of which 24 units will be low-income, located on Mattaponi Boulevard, Lexington Park.

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

9) Sludge Utilization Permit Application

The County Administrator presented standard correspondence addressed to the Maryland Department of Environment regarding sludge utilization permit applications for Daniel Capper and John McNeill, Jr. The letter states that the County will not exercise its right to request a public hearing/meeting, but expresses the Board's reservations regarding the application of sludge.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to sign and forward the letter as presented. Commissioner Jarboe voted against the motion. Motion carried four to one.

10) Budget Amendments

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

No. 93-36

County Commissioners

Justification: Tri-County Residential Alternatives for Youth approved by the Board of County Commissioners on February 16 (\$30,000)

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign Budget Amendment No. 93-36 as presented. Motion carried.

No. 93-35

County Commissioners

Justification: Update the County Impact Fee Study (\$10,000)

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign Budget Amendment No. 93-35 as presented. Commissioners Bailey and Jarboe voted against the motion. Motion carried three to two.

PROCLAMATION - RED CROSS MONTH

The Commissioners presented a Proclamation designating the Month of March as Red Cross Month in St. Mary's County.

PROCLAMATION - DAFFODIL DAYS

The Commissioners presented a Proclamation designating March 18, 19, and 20, 1993 as Daffodil Days for the American Cancer Society in St. Mary's County.

ANNUAL REPORT

COMMUNITY SERVICES COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Present: Cynthia Brown
Gene Carter

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the Community Services Coordination Committee Annual Report for 1994. Mr. Carter reviewed the purpose of the group; significant activities (study of service programs, dealing with budget crisis, inclusion of St. Mary's College as a participant); problems and challenges encountered; and plans for 1993.

A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

**ANNUAL REPORT
COMMISSION FOR DISABLED**

Present: Cynthia Brown
Gene Carter
Nancy Hutson

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the Commission for Disabled's 1992 Annual Report. The report included the group's purpose; significant activities (meeting federal mandates, working with Public Works in devising a transition plan, self-evaluation of county programs); problems and challenges; and plans for the current year.

A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

METROPOLITAN COMMISSION

Present: Larry Petty, Director

1) Update of Groundwater Study

Also Present: Harry J. Hansen, Md. Geological Survey
Frederick K. Mack, "

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to inquire whether the County would be interested in auditing and updating the groundwater model and study that had been conducted in 1983. The study would include recalibration of the Piney Point/Aquia flow model, and the information would provide a basis to project the capability to accommodate future population growth.

During discussion Dr. Hansen advised that the project would be cost shared among the Maryland Geological Survey, Calvert County and St. Mary's. St. Mary's share would be \$8,865 for the first year and \$14,845 the second year. Calvert County has indicated a willingness to participate.

After discussion the Commissioners indicated that they would take the request under advisement.

2) Wicomico Shores Update

Mr. Petty advised the Commissioners the Metropolitan Commission is now proceeding to revise the plans for the water lines at Wicomico Shores based on the withdrawal of the 211 EDU's by Wicomico, Inc. He stated that he has met with the homeowners' association, requested the consultant to proceed to cut back the project, and notified the contractor that the project will be redesigned. The revised plans will have to be resubmitted to MDE in order to receive modified permits for the down scale of the project.

Mr. Petty indicated that appropriate documents have been given to representatives of Wicomico, Inc. for signature for the transfer of the water system to the Metropolitan Commission. He pointed out that the Consent Agreement was modified to make it current in that some of the benchmarks in the original document have passed.

Mr. Petty noted that the plant will be upgraded to handle approximately 400 EDU's, and if at a later date Wicomico, Inc. wanted to participate, the Metropolitan Commission would be agreeable. Its cost would be for the expansion of the plant and the shared debt service. Mr. Petty advised that other property owners in the surrounding area have requested to be included, and MetComm is looking into the possibility of organizing them in another taxing district.

In conclusion the Commissioners requested to be informed when the documents are approved and signed.

**ST. CLEMENTS SHORES
FAILING SEPTIC SYSTEMS**

Present: Jon Grimm, Director, Dept. of Planning and Zoning

Mr. Grimm appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the failing septic systems in the Compton area and the capacity of the St. Clements Shores Wastewater Treatment Plant. Twenty-three properties had been identified with failing septic systems and 23 EDU allocations were reserved at the St. Clements Shores Wastewater Treatment Plant

The Metropolitan Commission submitted a report regarding the engineering and economics of providing sewerage service to the 23 properties with failing septic systems. The report indicated that the previous policy of accepting EDU's into the system should not continue until the plant's capacity is increased.

Mr. Grimm by way of a color-coded map pointed out the areas with allocations, areas receiving allocations since February 1992, those on the waiting list and those with failing or marginal septic systems. He pointed out that Planning and Zoning worked with MetComm in developing options for this area.

Mr. Grimm stated that the purpose of this update was to present the Metropolitan Commission's report. The report was presented to the Planning Commission on February 8 and the PC requested that prior to proceeding any further that a survey be conducted similar to the survey done by the Metropolitan Commission in 1984 to determine property owner interest in hookups to the plant. The survey would be presented to the Commissioners for review and concurrence.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to proceed with the survey.

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Present: Charles Wade, Director of Finance
Stuart Diana, Piper & Marbury
Sam Ketterman, Alex Brown & Sons

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present for the Board's consideration the following General Obligation Bonds:

**County Commissioners of St. Mary's County
Public Facilities Bonds of 1993**

Authorizing the issuance and sale of \$8,375,000 of general obligation bonds to be used to finance the following capital projects: Road Improvements - Pegg Road, Indian Bridge Road, Yowaiski Mill Road, Roof Top Circle; community college planning and property acquisition; Park Hall School expansion and renovation; landfill; airport development; Charlotte Hall and Airport water systems.

St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission Bonds of 1993

Approving the passage and adoption of a Resolution adopted on March 2, 1993 by the Metropolitan Commission, which authorized and provided for the issuance and sale of \$7,410,000 of bonds; approving and concurring in the form of the Bonds; authorizing the County to execute the form of endorsement.

During discussion Mr. Wade advised that the bond sale for the County bonds will be held March 30 at 11:15 a.m. and the Metropolitan Commission's bonds on March 30 at 1:45 p.m.

After discussion Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution No. 93-09 (St. Mary's County Public Facilities Bonds of 1993). Commissioner Loffler voted against the motion. Motion carried four to one.

Commissioner Lancaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign Resolution No. 93-10 (St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission Bonds of 1993). Motion carried.

Commissioner Loffler pointed out that there was an item in the bond in which he did not wish to participate; however, he would sign the Resolutions as an approved action by the Board.

FISCAL YEAR 1994 BUDGET

Present: Charles Wade, Director of Finance

In preparation for the Budget Discussion to be held at this evening's meeting, Mr. Wade presented updated information relative to the Fiscal Year 1994 Budget. The handout included the county's revenues, general fund revenues, requests, and deficits, problem areas, summary indicating shortfalls, and alternatives to address the shortfalls.

In addition for the Commissioners' information Mr. Wade presented information relative to personnel trends from Fiscal Year 1989 to requests for Fiscal Year 1994 for the Office on Aging, State's Attorney, Recreation and Parks, Planning and Zoning, Director of Finance, Public Works, Sheriff's Department, and Board of Education. Another handout related to budget trends in those departments since Fiscal Year 1989 and indicated percentage increases.

After discussion the Commissioners requested Mr. Wade to look into whether there is a bill in the General Assembly that reduces state aid to counties that do not increase the piggyback tax.

(Commissioner Jarboe left the meeting at 12:05 p.m.)

STAFF MEETING

The Commissioners attended the regular monthly staff meeting held at the Carter State Office Building.

ANNUAL REPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY

Present: Joe Mitchell, Director, DECD
Tom Daugherty
Dennis Nicholson
Robert Gant
W. McGordon Ferguson

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to present the 1992 Annual Report for the Housing Authority. The report included the purpose of the group, significant activities (public housing homeownership demonstration program, comprehensive improvement assistance program, Tubmann Douglass Day Care Facility, public housing, and rental assistance payments); problems and challenges encountered; and plans for the current year.

A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

SOUTHERN MARYLAND REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

Present: Ed Forsman, Vice-President
Scott Rowan
Paul Fletcher
Joe Daley (SMARTCO)

The referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to brief the Board on the activities of the Council and to introduce them to the Southern Maryland Applied Research and Technology Consortium (SMARTCO). SMARTCO, a not-for-profit corporation, was established to coordinate the following activities for the Council: improving education opportunities and improving the technological level of the telecommunications infrastructure.

Mr. Forsman pointed out that In addition to supporting those programs, it will also develop opportunities that take the resources of the region and apply them to commercial challenges.

In closing Mr. Forsman pointed out the objectives of SMARTCO: To create a regional private sector technology service and transfer center for managing technology transfer activities to satisfy goals within five years; and to increase synergy of private sector, government, and academia.

The Commissioners thanked the Council representatives for their presentation and requested to be kept apprised of its activities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Present: Dan Ichniowski, Director

1) **Resolution No. 93-11 Abandonment of a Portion of Tall Timbers Road**

The Commissioners having conducted a public hearing on February 16, Mr. Ichniowski presented the following documents relative to the abandonment of a portion of Tall Timbers Road:

- o Resolution No. 93-11 - abandoning a section of Tall Timbers Road to the barricade, a distance of 300 feet.
- o Easement Agreement dated March 2, 1993 between Board of County Commissioners and the Metropolitan Commission granting an easement to the MetComm.
- o Quit Claim Deed between Board of County Commissioners and Joseph F. Bowes conveying the property to Mr. Bowes

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign the Resolution and to authorize Commissioner Loffler to sign the Easement Agreement and Quit Claim Deed. Motion carried.

2) **Water Tower Site at Governmental Center**

Mr. Ichniowski presented correspondence prepared for the Commissioners' signatures addressed to the Mayor of Leonardtown concurring in the use of a portion of land at the Governmental Center for the location of a water tower. The letter requests the Town to keep in contact with the Department of Public Works as the work progresses to work out the necessary details.

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to sign and forward the letter as presented. Motion carried.

3) **Addenda/Public Works Agreements**

Mr. Ichniowski presented the following Addenda and Public Works Agreements for the Commissioners' review and consideration:

Potomac Sands, Phase 2

Public Works Agreement dated January 5, 1993 between Alan C. Borg and St. Mary's County guaranteeing completion of improvements to Potomac Sands Drive by December 1, 1993. The Agreement is backed a Letter of Credit with The First National Bank of St. Mary's in the amount of \$64,500.

Cox's Run Subdivision

Corrected Public Works Agreement between Joan Burroughs c/o Benjamin H. Burroughs, Jr. guaranteeing completion of Aster Drive, Redbud Drive, Boxwood Drive, Daisey Court, Quince Court, and Moss Court by September 1, 1993. The Agreement is backed by a Letter of Credit with the First National Bank of St. Mary's in the amount of \$559,900.

Summerwood Subdivision, Section 2

Addendum to Public Works Agreement between Wayne Wise and Board of County Commissioners extending deadline for completion of improvements to April 1, 1993. The addendum is backed by a Letter of Credit with First National Bank of St. Mary's in the amount of \$100,100.

Cedar Cove, Section 4

Addendum to Public Works Agreement between Heritage Manor Homes, Inc. and Board of County Commissioners extending the deadline for completion of improvements to March 1, 1994. The addendum is backed by a Letter of Credit with Maryland Bank and Trust Company in the amount of \$104,000.

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

4) Landfill Complaints

Mr. Ichniowski advised that two complaints have been received about the landfill, and he will report back to the Commissioners on what is being done to correct the problems.

5) Snow Storm Costs

Mr. Ichniowski presented a handout outlining costs to date relative to snow removal (\$36,524.75)

RECREATION AND PARKS

Present: Phil Rollins, Director

1) Gymnastic Facility

As a follow up to last week's discussion, Mr. Rollins presented the Lease Agreement between Patuxent Development Co., Inc. and Board of County Commissioners for the rental of commercial space (the old K-Mart building) in Lexington Park for a gymnastics center.

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

2) Land Preservation and Recreation Plan

Also Present: Jon Grimm, Director, Planning and Zoning

As a follow up to previous discussions, Mr. Rollins presented a Resolution adopting the Land Preservation and Recreation Plan. Mr. Rollins advised that the changes as submitted by the Recreation and Parks Board (as a result of comments received at the February 9 public meeting) and the Planning Commission will be submitted to the consultant for incorporation into the Plan

During discussion Commissioner Loffler noted that if a particular project is within a certain time frame and funding is not identified, those items can be a private/public partnership with fundraisers to make them work.

During discussion of the shooting range, Mr. Lancaster stated that he was opposed to using tax money for this purpose, but was in favor of private enterprise doing it. Mr. Rollins stated that the Planning Commission had recommended placing the shooting range in the 5 - 10 year mid range category, but that he recommends leaving it in the 0 - 5 year priority range.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to proceed to have the plan amended as recommended and that the Board would make a decision on adoption when the amended plan is submitted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Bailey moved, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to meet in Executive Session to discuss a matter of Personnel (Consideration of appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions) as provided in Article 24, Section 4-210(a)1. Motion carried.

Personnel

Present: Commissioner Carl M. Loffler, Jr.
Commissioner W. Edward Bailey
Commissioner John G. Lancaster
Commissioner Barbara R. Thompson
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Spalding, Recording Secretary

Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)1

Topic: Personnel - Consideration of Appointments to Boards, Committees, Commissions

Time Held: 4:20 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Action Taken: The Commissioners reviewed the current status sheet, made nominations, and directed staff to prepare appointment letters for official appointments next week.

7:00 P. M.

FISCAL YEAR 1994 BUDGET

Present: Charles Wade, Director of Finance

Mr. Wade distributed and reviewed the information relative to the Fiscal Year 1994 Budget as presented to the Commissioners earlier in the day.

The Commissioners opened the meeting to comments and questions from the audience on the following topics:

- o Health insurance costs for county employees
- o Combining county and Board of Education health plans
- o Purchase of radios under Public Safety
- o Using private industry for certain work in the County
- o Subsidizing private school buses
- o Cost for Sheriff's car maintenance
- o If there is a fire tax, why the county still spends funds on the fire departments.
- o Department's requests for new employees
- o Impact fees and the actual costs
- o Downsizing (attrition, early retirement, consolidation of services)

PUBLIC FORUM

The Commissioners opened the meeting to comments and questions from the audience on all subjects.

Harry Fields - Inquired as to the impact of not providing requested funding or reductions. (Mr. Wade advised that this is being developed.)

Vernon Gray - Inquired whether any funding moratoriums been imposed; suggested not reimbursing county employees for travel and let them deduct it from their income taxes.

Bob Bain - Questioned health insurance contributions by the county for employees and whether county has considered HMO's.

Doug Ritchie - suggested homesite tax exemption

Ray Rossa - expressed concern about school budget; suggested an elected school board; expressed concern about adequate education.

Mary Doherty - Expressed concern about an application for a state transfer station on St. Andrews Church Road and indicated that the company was operating without yet having received a permit.

Mike Mattingly - (1) Expressed concern about Board of Education Budget being increased, but education was not. Inquired as to what assurances the public has that the Board of Education is spending properly. (Commissioner Loffler explained that the Commissioners approve the Bd/Ed's budget by category); (2) Because of increased assessments was opposed to \$.10 raise in property taxes; (3) concerned about county employees' benefits dwindling; (4) opposed to downsizing.

Mike Johnson - (1) Questioned whether the requested inspectors in the DPZ will perform the functions currently done by MDIA. (County Administrator Cox explained that the request was for building code inspectors not electrical.) (2) Suggested combining county and bd/ed health insurance plans; spouses on plans are being paid for by taxpayers.

Keith McGuire - Inquired as to status of investigation into inconsistencies between Planning Commission and Board of Appeals decisions regarding FERST Landfill. (Commissioner Loffler advised that staff will be making a report.); requested Commissioners to rescind letter allowing land clearing debris from outside the county be placed at the landfill; and to rescind letter allowing municipal solid waste.

Vaughn McCall - (1) Requested Commissioners to seriously consider requests made at the 3/1/93 electrical examiners meeting regarding electrical changes. (Commissioner Loffler advised that he will be meeting with DPZ on 3/4/93 regarding this matter.) (2) That the transfer station should be called transfer/recycling station; (3) Concerned about trucks bringing in debris and hauling out gravel at a certain farm on Rte. 235.

Rae Thompson - Expressed concern about FERST Landfill and has met with legislators concerning it; referenced a proposed bill that would require public input for future landfill sites.

Randy Wilt - Expressed concern about FERST Landfill; suggested that in the future that posted signs announcing a public hearing should be large enough to be easily read.

Daphne McGuire - Expressed concern about not having adequate opportunity to speak at the various public meetings on FERST Landfill.

Ken Hastings - Regarding FERST Landfill, stated that Commissioners failed to adequately respond; stated there was an investigation regarding HB 1088, which exempted those companies that received state financing for landfills; referred to the Southern Maryland Delegation's involvement and assistance in stopping the landfill. (Commissioner Loffler indicated he was not aware of the delegation's involvement.)

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Larry Jarboe - Reiterated the fact that a meeting was held with the legislative delegation and that an investigation is being conducted regarding HB 1088.

Walter Burch - Expressed concern about large stumps and logs along people's property in North Town Creek as a result of SMECO's power line project; concerned about EMF's from the power lines; indicated that SMECO's study was incomplete and incorrect; requested that the Commissioners request SHA to reconsider using Route 4 instead of Town Creek.

Jay Hanks - Questioned the benefit of bringing trash from outside the County.

Minnie Russell - Regarding stump dump, referred to a special meeting called by the Board of Appeals Chairman attended by some Commissioners and media wherein the Chairman had to break a tie vote and voted in favor of the landfill because of "a threat of a \$40M law suit."

Regina Abell - Suggested that the county "tighten its belt" as the taxpayers have to do; questioned the county's payment of social security.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Minutes Approved by Board of
County Commissioners on March 9, 1993

Judith A. Spalding
Recording Secretary