

**SPECIAL MEETING  
ST. MARY'S COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MAY 30, 1996**

Present        Commissioner Barbara R. Thompson, President  
                 Commissioner D. Christian Brugman  
                 Commissioner Paul W. Chesser  
                 Commissioner Frances P. Eagan  
                 Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe  
                 Dan Ichniowski, Interim County Administrator  
                 Judith A. Spalding, Recorder

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

**EVENTS**

**Port of Baltimore**

Commissioners Thompson, Chesser and Eagan agreed to attend the Port of Baltimore Tour and Anniversary Celebration on June 14 and an invitation will be extended to the new Director of Economic Development.

**Retired Senior Volunteer Program**

Commissioner Jarboe agreed to be the guest speaker on behalf of the Commissioners next Tuesday, at the Retired Senior Volunteer Program at the Western Steer in California.

**USE OF OLD HOLLYWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

As a follow up to previous discussions and after review of the memorandum dated May 30, 1996 from the Director of Recreation and Parks, **Commissioner Brugman moved, seconded by Commissioner Chesser to allow the Little League to store equipment at the old Hollywood Elementary School until it is used for other purposes. Motion carried.**

Mr. Ichniowski expressed concern regarding the need for control at the facility, and Commissioner Brugman agreed to request the Little League to be alert to this concern.

**FOLLOW UP TO MAY 28 EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

**Litigation/Property Acquisition**

**Indian Bridge Road**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Chesser, to direct the Department of Public Works and County Attorney to proceed as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried.**

**Personnel**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Brugman, to direct the Director of Finance and Personnel Officer to proceed as discussed in Executive Session.**

**Personnel**

**Nursing Center Administrator Contract**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Chesser, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Thompson to sign the Contract as presented.**

**Health Benefits Package**

**(Negotiations to Combine with Board of Education)**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Chesser to continue discussion for negotiations for combining health benefits package with Board of Education.**

**FISCAL YEAR 1997 BUDGET  
ADDITIONS/DELETIONS**

Commissioner Jarboe advised that the Commissioners have received information that St. Mary's Public Schools has an additional \$324,927 available in revenue through cost savings and provided a list as to where to apply those funds.

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Brugman, to delete the proposed increase to the Amusement and Admissions Tax (a reduction of \$97,500 in revenues), and to reduce the allocation to the Board of Education in light of recent information regarding cost savings in the Bd/Ed budget. Motion carried.**

**Commissioner Brugman moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to reduce the allocation to the Board of Education in the amount of \$113,300 (deleting the following projects as listed in the referenced information sheet: \$44,000 for the Office of School Facilities position; \$31,300 for additional substitute or paraprofessional assistance to middle schools; and \$38,000 for additional funding in the maintenance category for instructional program-related projects), which would cover the \$97,500 in reduced revenues from the Admissions and Amusement Tax. Motion carried.**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Brugman, to place the balance of funds, \$15,800 (\$113,300 less \$97,500) in the Undesignated Reserve Account with the possibility of using a portion toward the Oakley Community Center. Motion carried.**

Commissioner Jarboe moved that the 911 fee remain at 30¢ instead of the proposed increase to 50¢, to delete the computerized recorder equipment, and to keep the current tape recording system. Motion failed for lack of a second.

**SIGNING OF FISCAL YEAR 1997 BUDGET DOCUMENTS**

**Resolution No. 96-16  
Fire Tax**

**Commissioner Chesser moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution No. 96-16 setting the fire tax rate for each district in St. Mary's County (which is the same as the current fiscal year). Motion carried.**

**Resolution No. 96-17  
Fiscal Year 1997 St. Mary's County Budget**

**Commissioner Eagan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and sign Resolution No. 96-17 which adopts the Annual Budget and Appropriation Act and tax rate as follows:**

County General Fund Operating Budget	- \$84,490,200
Capital Budget	- \$19,486,150
Recreation & Parks Enterprise Fund	- \$ 1,655,072
Wicomico Shores Enterprise Fund	- \$ 941,506
Adult Day Care Special Revenue Fund	- \$ 885,004
Special Assessments Fund	- \$ 35,063

**Property Tax Rate: \$2.11 per \$100 of assessed valuation; and the service charge for the optional semiannual payment schedule for State, County, and special taxing district property taxes due on owner-occupied residential property is hereby established at 1.8% of the amount of tax due at the second installment.**

**Energy Tax Rate:** Electricity - \$.00395 per kilowatt hour  
Liquified Petroleum Gas - \$.05606 per gallon  
Fuel Oil - \$.04866 per gallon

**Monthly Local 911 Service Fee:** 50 cents per month.

**Signature Page**

Commissioner Eagan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to sign the signature page of the Fiscal Year 1997 Operating and Capital Budget. Motion carried.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 6 MEETING (ZONING ISSUES AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN)  
EXECUTIVE SESSION/WORK SESSION**

Commissioner Brugman moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to add an Executive Session relative to zoning issues to be followed by a Work Session regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Minutes Approved on 6/4/96  
by Board of St. Mary's County Commissioners

Judith A. Spalding  
Recording Secretary