

January 18, 1955

All members of Board and their attorney present today.

Roads.

Compton ^u heard and others called to request that road at Compton, leading into Henry Wathen's farm be tarred- very dry dusty road, ruins all tobacco planted along roadside. Ask that road be repaired before tobacco is planted Lewis Wallace says they have to keep their windows closed on account of the heavy dust. Messrs. Heard, Hall, Delozier, Wallace and Thomas request consideration which Commissioners agreed to give the matter.

F.G. ^Cecil, Treas. asked about payment of help to prepare Tax Bills- says Mr. Frank Bailey started the precedent. It was explained that the Law sets forth the requirement that the County Commissioners furnish a list of all tax payers and their assessments etc., and the Treas makes the bills- that is why the Co.Coms pay $\frac{1}{2}$ and the Treas pays $\frac{1}{2}$ for the preparation of the Tax Bills. Auditor was present and explained the new system which he has worked out whereby the work would be cut by 60-70%. Mr. Lipski is to contact State and if State is agreeable to way he plans preparing the Tax Bills- combine both State and County Tax, and show only the one total, then at end of month deduct amount due State by one example of multiplication, instead of thousands, it will be agreeable to Co.Voms. Talk of fire proof safe was held- nothing definite was promised. New style of bills would be loose leaf and Treas not keen for this.

Mrs. Wegann, Piney Pt called again about dogs annoying family. Advised by letter this is now an affair which should come before the Circuit Court.

DEED presented by W.M. Loker, Jr for Right of Way at Belvedere Woods Development.

Alms House- Mrs. Johnnie Mitten, Mrs. Frank Alvey and Mrs Frank Gorely ^{all} of St. Clements Shores, and all members of the Rural Womens Club, called about conditions in Alms House. They have been visiting there frequently since Thanksgiving. Feel inmates should have better living conditions and some form of entertainment such as radio, T-V etc and in separate recreation room not used as dining or bedroom as the present room is used. Feel place needs cleaning and painting and storage space for clothes and unused furniture. Other civic organizations are also interested in this matter. Commissioners agreed to have the group and Mrs King visit the Alms House on Wed-Jan 19 and see what could be done.

Sheriff and Dep Lancaster asked for consideration of bills in Legislature for increase in salary of deputies, a allowance for cars etc. Mr. Sterling will prepare a letter to the 3 members of the State Leg. setting forth desires of Commissioners on these matters.

Board adjourned at 4:45 pm

approved

Leonard S Alvey
president.

Tuesday January 25, 1955

Mrs. Meredith of St. Mary's Co. Welfare Bd came in to explain at length about the Schedule of salary etc which the County Commissioners should use in determining how much a family could pay towards a patient in a State institution. The Commissioners will talk it over with their attorney and adopt by Resolution one of the schedules and send copy of the Resolution to Welfare.

Mr. James Wood Burch of Annapolis, Md., architect was presented by Mr. C.B. Greenwell. Mr. Burch left a brochure showing work he has done in various places.

Mr. Frederick Tilp, of Wash DC having been selected by the Board to be the architect for the addition to the Court House, was asked to appear at 1 pm. Mr. Tilp suggested that he be allowed to prepare a questionnaire to be sent to all agencies who will occupy space in the Court House. When these are returned Mr. Tilp will come down for several days to answer any further questions about office space etc. Mr. Tilp suggested that a complete Ground Survey be made - showing Welfare and Health Bldgs, Court House, Jail and dwelling, Radio tower - The completed Court House will house the offices of the Treasurer and Tax Commission, Clerk to the Circuit Court, Sheriff and Trial Magistrate, Register of Wills, Planning & Zoning, with adequate space for governmental agencies who are here frequently. The Commissioners will request the Md. State Legislature to enact a law authorizing the Co. Coms to borrow \$200,000 for use in the Building program. A 5 man Bldg Com was suggested with Judge Digges, C.B. Greenwell, one of the Commissioners, their attorney and another person.

SRC representatives brought in map showing land the SRC proposes to acquire for the new highway past the Alms House, and offered \$3,000.00 for same, on one side of the road they will take 4.33 acre - Fair ground; and 1.41 A from AH allowing \$200 per acre for land and the balance for loss in removing fence, (no easements, trees, etc. In the event of an emergency they will take the strip making it into a Civil Defense highway, 160' wide Board will advise their decision after meeting Tues. Feb 1.

Mr. Hellman, representing Patuxent Sec 1-2-3-4 phoned from Newark about the status of the \$5,000 promised for expense incurred in roadmaking. Board had requested a breakdown and Mr. H. advised it was one contract with Randolph Co for \$4,500.00 Board will advise him after next meeting

Hospital Pledge; Mrs. Wm. Hayden was asked to appear relative to the pledge made to the St. Mary's Hospital Bldg Fund by the Board last Aug 24. She requested copy of the minutes showing the discussion as well as copy of the letter notifying Mr. Rue of the Board's intention of pledging \$10,000 per yr for 4 more years, but deducting the budget allowance of \$6,000 per yr for a resident physician. Mr. Alvey advised that Dr. Oceretko is resigning Feb 15.

It was suggested that signs be placed at either side of the entrance to the New County Office Bldg, in order to allow people to use the walkway - it was also suggested that the steps at the side of the Court House be properly marked by signs keeping cars from the entrance, where some frequently park.

Consideration was given to the matters to be brought before the present Md. Gen

Assembly by the County representatives. Mr. Sterling will prepare letters to the 3, setting forth exactly what new laws the Commissioners would like to have passed.

Board adjourned at 4 pm

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