

August 10, 1964

Monday.

Present: All commissioners, Mr. Oliver R. Guyther, Mr. W. S. Donaldson.

Abell Pension Opinion

Mr. Guyther presented to the commissioners the opinion handed down by Judge Dorsey in this matter, ordering that a pension in the amount of \$125 per month be paid to Mr. Ralph Abell as prayed. The commissioners will be furnished with a decree and must then decide if they want to appeal this, and have 30 days to do so.

Center Gardens

Reviewed this matter as it now stands. Mr. Buyther stated that the government has in their mortgage that the stoves and refrigerators are not personal property, and they are exempt from personal property taxes on these items under the law. The federal statutes override state statutes.

Mr. Fahy admitted to Mr. Guyther that the navy is going to take back this project next spring. According to Mr. Guyther, the only thing to do would be to go back and open up everyone of the maintenance schedules in an effort to prove they were based on false reports. Patuxent Sections have offered to pay \$3,254.90, which is for the back personal property taxes from 1960 through 1963, inclusive, and will pay \$1,083.11 for 1964 personal property taxes this year. Mr. Guyther advised the commissioners that if they accept this they should insist the money be paid this week. The commissioners agreed that this amount of money should be collected with the stipulation that it be paid by Friday, August 14th. Mr. Guyther will contact these people regarding same.

Mr. Guyther also mentioned that the leases on this project are 75 year leases, not 99 year leases.

Electrical Code

Discussed a prior review of the pamphlets concerning this. According to Mr. B. Smith, Mr. Richardson was not to do this, but Mr. Guyther was supposed to. Mr. Guyther did not understand this, but will take care of this matter immediately.

Roads Committee

Names suggested for this committee: W. S. Donaldson, David Gruber, F. Elliott Burch, Oliver Guyther, John Roache or Herman Bossee, Les Schlup, Melvin Jarboe, R. E. King and S. Schrader, of the Board of Education, Senator Raley as an ex-officio member. Suggested that this committee might also serve as an advisory committee for the Harland Bartholomew Company. Mr. Burch suggested having Mr. Moore, of said company, in for the meeting next week to give a report on the progress of the study being made by this company. This will be arranged.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m. in order for the commissioners to attend the National Conference in session in Washington, D. C., for County Commissioners.

Approved,

*F. Elliott Burch*  
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President

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