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and approved as read by:

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

F. Elliott Burch
President

J. Wilmer Bowles
Commissioner

Clarence H. Ridgell
Commissioner

Minutes entered herein recorded and transcribed by:

Mrs. E. L. Tillman
Secretary to the Board of County
Commissioners of St. Mary's County,
Maryland

January 5, 1965

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

Woodtreating Plant

Col. Simpson and Mr. R. Stevens of the Forestry Board, expressed interest in the creosoting plant proposed by Mr. Gittings in the Hollywood area. Col. Simpson said he had heard the plant might not be built, and was concerned as this is the type of small business needed in the county.

Mr. Burch explained that the main objection was from the people living in this area, as they felt the plant would be a noisy operation and malodorous. Col. Simpson mentioned that this type plant only emits an odor about five minutes out of every hour, when the doors of the cylinders are opened, and this would not carry for any great distance. Mr. Burch stated that some sort of arrangement is trying to be worked out so that all parties will be satisfied.

Human Resources Committee

Letter from Mr. Jack Lancaster, Chairman, reviewed concerning hiring of person to do clerical work for this committee. He has acquired the services of Miss Barbara Coode, and suggests that the rate of pay be \$50.00 per month, or \$600 per year. Mr. Donaldson suggested paying this salary through EDC funds, or appropriating same to the committee, and letting them pay Miss Goode. Mr. Guyther advised that this possibly could be carried out through EDC as a sub-committee, as it is concerned with future development of the county. A letter will be sent to Mr. Lancaster informing him of the latter, as there ^{are} funds available through EDC budget for this.

Zoning - Route 235

Mr. A. Loker was called in, and he and Mr. Guyther reviewed with the commissioners the matter of the zoning request. The commissioners are in agreement that this area should not be zoned at this time, and Mr. Burch asked if some commitment should be obtained from Mr. Gittings as to the actual location of the plant. Mr. Burch said he had reviewed the site with Mr. Gittings, and at that time, the latter agreed to keep the plant 1000 to 1100 feet from the state road.

Mr. Loker said that Mr. Gittings had called him this morning and stated he did not care if the county zoned the 400 feet between the railroad track and the road. Mr. Loker said that if Mr. Gittings is agreeable to having the area from the road to the track restricted, this is all these people have a right to expect. The commissioners can uphold Planning & Zoning for the reasons stated in their letter, then send a letter stating conditions under which Mr. Gittings might go ahead with this project. Mr. Loker might also ask Mr. Gittings to state that he will place the plant a given distance from the road.

Mr. Loker said he would call Mr. Gittings, and a letter will be written to the latter, to be reviewed by Mr. Loker before being mailed.

Economic Study Meeting

Mr. B. Smith spoke of meeting tomorrow night pertaining to the report published by the U of M pertaining to the three southern counties. He said he did not know if he was to handle the agenda but had prepared one just in case. He reviewed same with the commissioners, mentioning various people who will be recognized, and said that there will be an open discussion at the end of the meeting.

Dog Warden

Mr. P. Raley reported that Mrs. Moody, clerk to the commissioners of Charles County, called to say that Jerry Baldwin does not work. Mr. Ward has said that Mr. Baldwin only works two days a week, and Mr. Raley cited instance of trying to locate the dog warden for two days. The navy has also called and said they cannot get in touch with Mr. Baldwin.

The commissioners agreed that in view of the many problems with Mr. Baldwin in the past, that he should be relieved of his job. As soon as someone is found to replace him, Mr. Baldwin will be released.

Switchboard Operator

The commissioners reviewed resignation submitted by Mrs. Margaret Kelley. Mrs. Mary Agnes Buckler will handle the switchboard until next Tuesday, when this position will be filled.

EDC Tour

Meeting adjourned at noon to allow the commissioners to accompany members making this tour of the county.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch
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