

May 10, 1965

Monday.

Present: Mr. Burch and Mr. Donaldson.

Commission on Aging

Mrs. V. Ripple reported that she went to a conference in Ocean City, and the state director would like to see these commissions reactivated. Discussed possible people and agencies to serve on this commission, and Mrs. Ripple said she would ask various individuals about serving on same. Discussed conference to be held in Annapolis on May 25th, and Mrs. Ripple was given permission to contact the state director and inform him that there would be someone from St. Mary's County in attendance.

General discussion concerning welfare people working on the Golden Beach Road project. Mrs. Ripple will contact Mr. Hall if there are any persons available for this work. Mr. Donaldson mentioned problem with the Workmen's Compensation Insurance to cover such workers.

Mrs. Ripple said that the state has made a ruling that case workers will have to report on housing when visiting local homes and are asked to go the local government for this. They have worked out minimum standards for safe and sanitary housing. The purpose would be to bring to the attention of the health department the very worst housing reports. Mrs. Ripple asked who should receive them, and Mr. Burch suggested sending them to the health department with a carbon copy to the commissioners. This will be done.

St. Jeromes Shores Subdivision

Mr. W. M. Loker, representing Miss Josephine Braz, Lot 1, Block L, in said subdivision, said this woman purchased this property in August of last year and paid \$2,000 for the lot. According to our land records, this is an approved subdivision by both the health department and Planning and Zoning. It was signed by Dr. Locke when he was sanitarian. There is a plat of this subdivision in Planning & Zoning office, but it is not signed by the health department. Mr. Miles has stated that Miss Braz may have difficulty with the sewage system and feels this is her problem. So far, Miss Braz has already spent \$3200.00 here.

Mr. Loker said that the health department has stated that the subdivision had been approved and they would send confirmation of this by letter. In the letter it was stated the lot would not perc test and a test would have to be run for each lot before a building permit could be issued. Miss Braz is willing to take whatever steps are necessary to dispose of the sewage from her house, and the plumber has stated that dry wells would take care of this. It is Mr. Loker's opinion that this woman is entitled to a building permit. Mr. Miles will be asked about this.

Dr. Houser was asked about this and stated that Mr. T. Waring had been told that this was an illegal subdivision. Mr. Waring said he would replat this and resubmit it, but he has never done so. The county health officer is the only person with the authority to sign approval of a lot. Dr. Houser said Mr. Waring has an engineer

working on this at present and is not supposed to be selling lots in the subdivision. He said there were never any perc tests made on the lots in this subdivision and there is no record of the tests ever having been made. He said the stamp indicates tentative approval, but not on every lot. This was the way this was done years ago. Mr. Burch said he would discuss this matter with Mr. Guyther.

#### County Engineer - Wagener Interview

Mr. August Wagener, Annapolis, Maryland, spoke with the commissioners about this position. Presented listing of his qualifications. General discussion concerning some of Mr. Wagener's previous work. He has had experience with projects using federal funds. He said he would be interested in going into business for himself but might consider working as county engineer, but could not decide right now. He said he would prefer to work just four days per week. Mr. Burch suggested that Mr. Wagener come back when the other two commissioners are present for further discussion. Mr. Wagener said he would be willing to begin at a salary of \$10,000 with a car furnished by the county. An appointment will be arranged for him to meet with the commissioners on a Tuesday.

#### Carver Heights Health Center

Dr. Houser reported that this building has been broken into and requested permission to install a flood light in the back. This would be a safety light, costing approximately \$48 per year. It is Dr. Houser's feeling that such a light would discourage the vandalism going on down there. He stated he would meet with a representative from the electric company to determine a proper location for the light and this will be done.

#### Nicolet Park

Would cost about \$124 to put facilities here back into condition again. Mr. E. Florance will do this work, which will consist of two new doors covered metal, repairing the roof, bathrooms, and chain for the gate.

#### Roads

Mr. Thom Hall reported sign "not a through road" to be posted at the California Post Office Rd. "No dumping" sign being placed at Avenue. Road at Golden Beach will be fixed where it crosses the new dual road. Cost to maintain dumps for one year is \$7,868.69, averaging \$655 per month. Concerning the dumps, Mr. Hall said there are nine dumps at present requiring pushing every two weeks. He will draw up outline of what is required to maintain the dumps and present this to the commissioners next week so that same might be advertised for bids for monthly care.

Mr. Hall reported it will cost \$900 to repair the county Civil Defense bulldozer. He was given check for \$1,000 to repair same and the Civil Defense bus, which needs some repair work on the motor that can be done at the SRC garage. The dozer was obtained in October of 1961, and has cost \$2,000 for maintenance, approximately \$500 per year.

Beavin & Co. will be sent letter to proceed with Phase II of the Golden Beach Road, as outlined in their letter. This will confirm a telephone call by Mr. Hall to this effect. Carbon copy will be sent to Mr. Hall and Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Hall presented plat for new dump at Compton. About one-third is on George R. Taylor's land, and he is asking \$120 for his lease and he will burn the dump for this amount of money. Two-thirds of the dump is on Leo Klear's land and he also wants \$120 per year. Mr. Hall recommends a five year lease, payable the 1st of July. Leases will be drawn up for same.

Jail Lights

Mr. Voorhaar will be told to go ahead with this project.

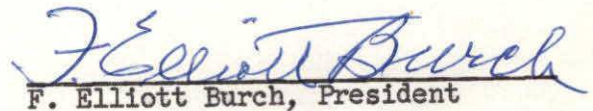
(Mr. Bowles came into the meeting at this point.)

Animal Shelter Radio Contract

Mr. Bowles and Mr. Burch agreed that the radio contract to maintain the radios in the animal shelter trucks and the shelter itself, as outlined by Mr. Cooksey, via telephone, should be granted to Boyd King Electronics. This will cost \$30 per month, to be paid on the percentage basis for the operational costs of the shelter.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

  
F. Elliott Burch, President