

May 2, 1967

Present: Mr. Burch and Mr. Bowles.

Retarded Children

Mr. Paul Ludwig and Mrs. Bowen. Mr. Ludwig said they had considered using the Alms House, with the commissioners permission, for their program, but it would cost approximately \$20-30,000 to renovate, and the state feels this would be too costly. Too, there is too much space in the Alms House for the program they would be having. However, they are interested in the site as there is water and sewage there already, and according to the Health Department, it is all in working condition. What they really need is a one story building in consideration of the handicapped who cannot go up and down stairs.

Mr. Ludwig stated the project grant is in effect as of May 1st in the amount of \$2,500. There are no new construction monies available, but there is renovation money in the amount of \$5,000 - \$10,000, once they consider a site in the county. They have considered the old Leonardtown School and the old Fire House, but these things will have to be looked into. Mr. Ludwig asked about county plans for the Alms House site. Mr. Burch explained possibility of future county roads building being located there, and technical center that is now under construction. Mr. Ludwig said that three or four acres would suffice for their needs, and a maximum of five acres would be especially fine as they could then have a space for an agricultural program. The actual layout of the 60 X 40 building needed would be furnished to them, and there is a study being made of what their actual needs would be that should be completed in about four months.

Mr. Ludwig also mentioned that there is a state program, through the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, for residential facilities for the children and adult retardees. This is on a 50-50 matching fund basis so far as funding is concerned, and this is something they are thinking about for the future.

There is a possibility that some of the children coming out of the work program could move over into the new vocational center after a certain period of training. Mr. Ludwig said that if they go through with this project, they will let the commissioners know what has transpired.

Commission on Aging

Gen. H. Peabody, Mrs. Kuhfuss (State) and Mr. Twist (State), discussed budget for this agency. General discussion concerning in kind contribution by county, or cash. Mrs. Kuhfuss stated that the total budget is \$1650, 40% or \$650 would be the county share in "in kind" or cash, and the remainder is federal funds. Mrs. Kuhfuss suggested \$200 for Gen. Peabody's travel expense, but Mr. Burch felt \$240 was a more realistic figure. Mrs. Kuhfuss also stated that from now on, Gen. Peabody will have to present vouchers for his expenditures.

(Mr. Aud came into the meeting.)

A. & W. Trailer Park

Mr. W. Long and Mr. T. Cryer. Mr. Long was in about his trailer park license which has not been issued to him. Mr. Cryer explained that Mr. Long is extremely delinquent in payment of occupancy fees and cannot get his license until these are paid.

Mr. Long stated that he took over the park in September and Mr. Cryer spoke to him at that time about the fees. He would like to pay the current fees each month, and pay installments on the delinquent fees until they are paid up.

Mr. Cryer stated that Mr. Long had offered him a cash payment which he would not accept as he did not feel he was authorized to act as a collection agent for the county. However, if the commissioners authorize him to collect cash, he will do so. Mr. Burch said that the commissioners will have to discuss this and come to a decision. In any event, he informed Mr. Long that his taxes will have to be paid, and Mr. Guyther will be consulted about the matter.

Roads

Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo. Mr. Bond reported we are about \$4,000 in the "red" at the present time, for sanitary fills, and asked for a check in this amount to balance this account. He has also spent \$35,000 this month and is over the allocation.

On the St. George Island bridge, Mr. Bond feels one pipe here is enough, and 4' high, 72" wide pipe will be placed here. There is also a bridge at Chaptico that needs repairs and Mr. Bond said he cannot do this out of maintenance money. Mr. D. Raley has said that it would cost \$1500 to fix the bridge. The stringers are all right, but the sheathing that holds back the soil is in very bad condition. Mr. Pantaleo will write to Mr. Grubbe, Chief Bridge Engineer, SRC, regarding these bridges and ask him to advise the best way to handle these matters.

Mr. Bond presented literature on another small power saw, The Homelite, \$150, to be used for trimming trees on right of ways. The commissioners approved purchase of same and Mr. Raley will order this.

Mr. Pantaleo reported that he and Mr. Bond had inspected the Boothe Road. The first estimate was \$7200 for widening, ditching, etc., for maximum improvement. However, to widen the road to 18 or 20 feet, and ditching as much as they can, this road could be improved for about \$3500. The road is six-tenths of a mile long. Motion made by Mr. Bowles, seconded by Mr. Aud and passed unanimously that this road should be improved as outlined by Mr. Pantaleo for \$3500.

Mr. Bond will check matter of report by Mrs. J. Rue of barbed wire on Millstone Landing Road. He stated he had placed a sign "not a through road" and would also check right of way, and if Mr. Bardley has placed the wire in the right of way, he will be asked to move it.

On the Wise-St. Andrews Road, Mr. Pantaleo said the only improvement needed here would be to cut down one hill to give a better sight line. This will cost approximately \$2,000 for clearing on the sides and removing the hill. Mr. Bond said he would not recommend that the commissioners do this as he does not feel it is necessary.

7 Gables Bulkhead - Mr. Pantaleo presented letter giving estimate^{of} approximately \$111,670 for this project. The Corps of Engineers wants approval from the people who live across the road as they may have riparian rights, and Mr. Pantaleo will ask Mr. Guyther to draw up the necessary papers to accomplish this. He recommended writing to Mr. M. C. Thompson asking him to program this as it has to be advertised

by June 30th, and he will do this. Mr. Pantaleo stated that the bridge engineer has agreed that pipes should be placed to open up Town Creek into the river.

Dutchman's Cove Road - Mr. Bond said the road looks very good, but there are some minor things that need to be done. Then he and Mr. Pantaleo will inspect it, and if the road is acceptable, it will be taken into the system. Mr. Hall wants the SRC to surface-treat the road and take the money out of the \$4,000 being held in escrow for this road.

Mr. Bond will check with Mr. I. Hewitt regarding difficulty for trailer tractors to make the turn at the Callaway intersection.

Mr. Pantaleo reported that requests for various signs will be forwarded to the state police for recommendations. Presented sample resolution forms to effect these requests that will be sent to Mr. Thompson, with attached recommendations from the state police. The commissioners approved and resolved as follows: Blackstone Road leading from Clarks Landing Road be designated as a stop street; 30 mph on Mill Cove Road throughout the entire road; 25 mph limit on Woodlawn Drive, Town Creek, from Town Creek Drive to Patuxent Beach Road; Indian Bridge Road be designated as a stop street at intersection with St. Andrews Road.

Metropolitan Commission

Mr. L. C. Merchant and Mr. W. Miles. Mr. Merchant said he attended the zoning meeting last night and tried to explain their position from a sanitation standpoint, and that zoning is needed very badly in the county. He feels that the county should have a central location where anyone can come for information regarding subdividing, zoning, sanitation, etc., and clarification that might be needed with these areas. Plans would be presented here and they would then be forwarded for the approval needed, and Mr. Merchant feels that his department should give approval before anyone else. All approval should go through the central office to avoid necessity of persons contacting many agencies for approval needs.

Mr. Merchant said that there should be some planning for artery streets, and storm sewers should be taken into consideration before anything is built. Zoning should be such that the development would not be contrary to what is allowed and what would be best. It was the general feeling of the Commission that no building permits should be granted in the sanitary district without the approval of the Metropolitan Commission. This would include all subdivisions and other buildings. Mr. Pantaleo said that they had agreed at the Planning & Zoning meeting to get approval from the Metropolitan Commission for all plans within the sanitary district.

Mr. Merchant said there will be a charge for inspection by Beavin of the plans submitted, at so much per lot. There will be a front foot service charge for users, and Mr. Miles said that according to the law, people have to hook into the lines once they are installed. Mr. Merchant said that Smith, Somerville & Case are their bonding counsel, and they will probably advertise for bids this month. He stated that if plans are handled as suggested above, it will probably cost them about \$200,000 to do the work in this area.

Mr. Pantaleo will work with Mr. Merchant to establish central office to handle plans submitted as requested by the latter.

Mr. Merchant mentioned matter of Beavin Co. doing the county wide water and sewage study, and stated that these people are reasonable and the county could be sure of a fine job from this firm.

Sheriff

Mr. Burroughs discussed training program to insure men meeting minimum standards for policeman, and that he is going to ask why he cannot be qualified as an instructor and instruct the men himself. This program will not effect any man who was appointed before June 1st, but Mr. Burroughs feels that all of the men should be given the training. Mr. Burch suggested that perhaps the three counties might have a central training program. Mr. Burroughs said he would like to be able to specify who he wants to train the men (from the state police) if this would be allowed. He will find out more about this and report back to the commissioners.

Route 235

Mr. M. Dean, Mr. R. Wigginton, Mr. Coakley (REA). Discussion concerning power line being built on this road that will be in conflict with the planned sewer lines. Mr. Coakley said that they had bought the property they are using and the Metropolitan Commission has not contacted them for easement if they are planning to put their lines here. He said that they would be willing to cooperate with the Metropolitan Commission in this respect, and Mr. Dean suggested getting a copy of the plans so that REA might keep them on file for consideration when moving their lines.

General discussion concerning the railroad. SMECO is interested in retaining this as a transmission line and will work with the EDC to retain it as a railroad. Mr. Wigginton said it was his understanding from Senator Raley, that roads cannot be built unless the senator, delegates and the commissioners approved. Mr. Burch explained that the commissioners can set priorities but the SRC has the final say about the location of the roads.

Mr. Dean stated that they have the backing of the senators and representatives in Washington, and suggested that the commissioners act for the EDC and REA to preserve the railroad, then let GSA make a decision concerning it.

(Mr. Guyther came into the meeting.)

Mr. Coakley said they will discuss this further at their board meeting next week.

Metropolitan Commission Executive Asst.

The commissioners approved the request of this commission to employ Mr. W. Miles as their executive assistant, effective April 1, 1967, at a salary of \$8700 per annum, to be paid out of Metropolitan Commission funds.

Keaveny & Associates

Mr. Pantaleo explained to the commissioners that the 100% plus charge on the statement is usually paid this way. He feels the statement is fair and had approved payment of same. The commissioners approved payment to this company in the amount of \$826 as requested, for work on the proposed county road system buildings.

Assessor's Expense

The commissioners approved payment of \$31.23 to Mr. Lawrence, expenses incurred attending the Spring Meeting of Assessing Officers.

Parole and Probation

Mr. Guyther reviewed letter from the department concerning equipment that will be used by the Department of Juvenile Services that is to be established in the county. They will be advised that there is no excess inventory to be provided by the county for this office.

Auditor's Fees

The commissioners approved payment of \$5500 for Mr. D. Gruber, Auditor, for updating the assessors rolls, and \$2250 for the 3rd Quarter, Fiscal Year work.

Sanitary Fill Bids

Bid from Pratt lowest bid, but this is a conditional bid and payment is not asked for as specified in the bid request. Mr. Guyther said that the commissioners could not legally award the bid to Mr. M. Pratt under these conditions. The commissioners agreed unanimously to award the bid to Mr. Walter Wise.

Traffic Controls

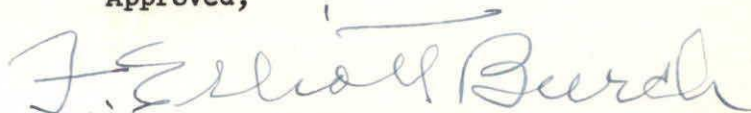
The commissioners agreed to the following controls: curve signs on St. Jerome's Neck Road; "children at play" and curve signs on Evergreen Park Road, at approach to Bay Road; and curve warning and "caution, steep hill" signs on Wise-St. Andrews Road.

Income Tax

Reviewed resolution framed by Mr. Guyther to effect levying of additional 30% income tax as authorized under law levying mandatory 20% tax by the state, and the commissioners signed same.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President