

May 16, 1967

Present: All commissioners.

Beavin Company

Mr. George Dent and Mr. Benjamin Beavin met with the commissioners regarding the county wide water and sewage study. Mr. Beavin reviewed proposal submitted by his firm and said they could complete the project by June 30, 1969, and the priorities would be completed by 1968. Their study would produce a mylar overlay map indicating the location of the pressure zones, location of tanks, etc., and this map could be used to compare notes as the county roads are built and the county is developed as a whole. It should be made clear to developers at the very beginning that if they construct a particular type sewage plant, it will have no value when the county takes over the system. Mr. Beavin said there will be a charge of \$2.50 per lot for reviewing plans, and there is nothing in the interim regulations they have set up that would make it difficult for any sincere developer. He feels that the law gives the Metropolitan Commission county wide authority, and the interim regulations are taken from the already existing law.

Mr. Beavin said that so far as the Patuxent Water Company is concerned, if they are given the job of evaluating this, it would be at a minus value, as this is a very ramshackle and substandard system and too much work would have to be done to bring the system up to where it would render reasonably good service. This is the kind of thing the county will have to watch for in the matter of development as it will only cause trouble in the future.

Mr. Beavin said he does not feel there should be any privately owned water and sewage systems anywhere in the county. If a developer is qualified to build a sewage system, he should present an estimate and if this is not too high, he could do this himself. In other cases, it would be best if bids were requested and opened in the commissioners office.

Mr. Beavin also stated that his firm did not process the application for funding this project, but he would be glad to help in any way possible.

Board of Education

Dr. R. E. King, Mr. Kanowicz, Mr. K. Abell, Mr. Dodson, Mrs. Barnes, Mr. H. Ocker, Mr. E. Young, Mr. W. Groves. Discussed addition to the Great Mills High School, and Dr. King presented copies of the bid tabulations and alternates. They will need an additional \$45,000 to allow for the seven alternates they are requesting, of which approximately \$20,000 would be local money. This does not include sewage because they are hoping that by the time the addition is finished, they can hook up with the new lines that will be coming from Lexington Park in the sanitary district. They have been told by the Metropolitan Commission that the lines will be out there by the time the school opens, and they have also been advised not to expand their sewage facility at Esperanze for the same reason. Of the \$45,000, \$12,000 would be for a contingency fund, and if this is not used for any emergency, this money could be used to hook up to the sewage lines, which would cost about \$5,000.

Mr. Burch asked if there was a possibility of reducing some of the "gingerbread" on new schools being constructed to reduce cost. Mr. Ocker said that prices increase faster than they can compute estimates and this is part of the problem. He also stated that none of the schools are anything more than basic buildings for a good education program, but certainly not in terms of what is being done in other areas. Mr. Groves pointed out that if anything is taken out of the bid now, and it is done later, there will not be funds available from the state, and they would have to do this on their own. Actually, the money they are requesting would not be needed for about one year.

Library Bid Opening

Adm. T. Clark, Mrs. M. Hill, Mr. H. Dodson, Dr. R. King, Mrs. Mary Janssen, Mrs. M. Barber, Mrs. Tzonev, Gen. Hogaboom, Mr. B. H. Brown (Chris Brown, Inc.), Mr. C. Loffler, II (M. Dean, Inc.), Mrs. Johnson and Mr. J. Dobry (Dobry Construction), Mr. Stanley Arthur (Architect) and engineers E. Middleton and B. Cross, and Mr. L. Johnson, an employee of Mr. Arthur's, Mr. W. Chapman and Mr. Guyther.

Mr. Arthur stated that there were four bidders, three of whom were present, and Alton Engineering Company. He commented briefly on Mr. Russell Frazier's visit to his office to get a set of plans and specifications, and Mr. Arthur asked him to call the commissioners office for clearance as to his financial soundness, and the man would not make the call, and was not given a set of the plans. Mr. Arthur further explained that he would not release plans and specifications to an unqualified bidder who had not received such clearance from either the commissioners or Gen. Hogaboom, for fear of jeopardizing the project.

Bids opened by Mr. Arthur, with Mervell Dean, Inc., apparent low bidder at \$209,850. (Detailed resume of bids in files.) The contractors left the meeting.

Mr. Arthur stated that of the \$289,000 available, approximately \$60,000 will be local funds. Furniture and equipment is 15% of the total amount. General discussion concerning carpeting the floors, and Mrs. Tzoneve said that the Library Board will make a decision on this and come back to the commissioners.

Mr. Arthur stated that the architect's fee would be \$14,759, and actual cost of the entire project is \$289,859.00.

Roads

Mr. Guyther, Mr. Pantaleo, Mr. Bond, Mr. W. Chapman. Mr. Bond presented information on Chancellors Run Road, stating that there is a 40' right of way here.

Mr. Burch suggested that the road be surveyed so the commissioners would know exactly what the county owns, in relation to property lines. Mr. Pantaleo and Mr. Bond will get to work on this immediately and set stakes, and will inform Mr. Dobry and residents of what they are going to do.

Mr. Pantaleo presented easement agreements signed by people in the 7 Gables area. The commissioners approved them and Mr. Burch signed same, which will now have to be recorded.

Mr. Pantaleo stated he had talked with Mr. Phipps (CBA) about the Leonardtown Wharf, and CBA will pay the full amount of \$2,000. Mr. Pratt will begin working

as soon as he receives the material. The commissioners agreed that something should be placed here temporarily until this work is completed, as a safety precaution, and Mr. Bond said he will place several barrels here for the time being.

Mr. Guyther stated he could determine from the courthouse records who owns land at the righthand approach to the St. George Island bridge and will look into this. There has been previous discussion about a boatramp at this location. Mr. Guyther will also write a letter concerning the concrete that was left on the Bradley property on Millstone Landing Road when the bridge was built.

Mr. Bond said that he had talked with Mr. Hewitt about the latter's suggestion to widen the intersection at Callaway. Mr. Hewitt is going to arrange a meeting with the commissioners, Senator Bailey, etc., to discuss this, and Mr. Burch mentioned that this is a state road and the county would have nothing to do with it.

The commissioners approved sending a letter to the SRC regarding traffic control signs at the Felix Johnson Educational Center in Lexington Park, as requested by the Board of Education. A copy of the letter will be sent to Mr. S. Schrader of the Board of Education.

Mr. Bond said he will check maintenance on Belvoir Road and Colmar Lane as requested by Mr. J. Dobry.

County Wide Water and Sewage

Mr. Burch and Mr. W. Chapman will meet with Mr. Coulter of the State Health Department in Baltimore to discuss the matter of funding this project.

Tax Exemption for Elderly

Mr. P. Raley came into the meeting and discussed with Mr. Guyther and the commissioners his conversation with Mr. Semasky, an attorney with the Department of Legislative Reference, regarding this subject. Mr. Semasky feels that the commissioners have the authority to set the date when the applications must be in. Mr. Guyther and Mr. Raley will get together to draw up a set of rules and regulations to be followed in this respect. He also said that under the law, the commissioners have this authority.

Governmental Coordinator

Mr. W. Chapman presented his resignation from this position to the commissioners, effective this date. However, he said he would leave it up to the commissioners as to when it would actually be effective. The commissioners will take this under advisement and let Mr. Chapman know their decision.

Mr. Aud, Mr. Guyther and Mr. Chapman then left the meeting.

Parks and Recreation

Mr. Burch and Mr. Bowles approved payment of \$373.79 for expenses from April 6th, as approved by Capt. Henderson, Chairman, to be sent to Mr. E. Curley, Charles County.

Sanitary Fills

Mr. W. Wise, Mr. Pantaleo, and Mr. W. Chapman, who returned to the meeting. Mr. Wise asked if it is his responsibility to put up fences to keep the trash from blowing. Mr. Burch said that this was not included in the bid specifications, but if Mr. Wise and Mr. Pantaleo recommend that the fence be provided, it will be. Acquisition of the fence will be checked with Mr. Raley. Mr. Pantaleo and Mr. Wise will also make a survey of signs needed to control dumping, such as cars, stumps, etc.

Mr. Wise asked the commissioners to notify the sheriff about the problem of people shooting in the Willows Road fill, which has become serious. A letter will be sent to the sheriff regarding this, mentioning that the sign prohibiting shooting has been destroyed by shotgun shells.

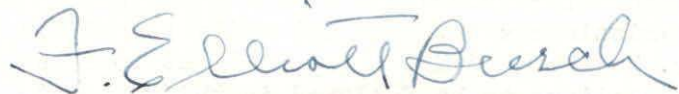
Mr. Wise stated that the lease on Mr. Guy's fill expires on July 1, 1967, and a new lease will have to be gotten, if we are to retain this facility. Mr. Burch said he will speak with Mr. Guy regarding this matter. A list of all fills and expiration dates of leases will be furnished Mr. Wise. He was instructed to take any complaints to Mr. Pantaleo.

Meeting Next Week

Prior to Mr. Aud's leaving, the commissioners decided to meet all day Monday next week and not on Tuesday.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,



F. Elliott Burch, President