

June 20, 1967

Present: Mr. Burch, Mr. Aud, and Mr. Bowles.

### Route 235

Mr. E. Thompson said he would like to make some exception to the letter sent to Mr. J. Wolff of the SRC, regarding expansion of the road going through Hollywood. The petition presented by residents stated a 60' right of way, and did not mention the 80' set forth in the letter. Mr. Thompson feels that the 80' right of way would be impossible as there is not room enough, and would eliminate all of the parking at the Hollywood Methodist Church, which is already hazardous. The people who signed the petition have now changed their thinking since the request has been made to expand this road to 80'. He discussed the various inconveniences this would cause, and presented memorandum regarding the road and the railroad.

Mr. Thompson said he wanted to go on record as feeling that the local EDC should be completely overhauled, as it lacks the initiative and is not using the realistic approach to do the things the county is actually faced with. He would rather have homes as a haven for industrial workers, than homes for industrial workers. He stated that he also wanted to go on record as stating that Mr. Arthur Briscoe should be replaced as director of the EDC.

### Board of Education

Dr. R. E. King, Mr. Donaldson. Dr. King presented list of recommendations for the kindergarten that will be followed. He discussed #9, which explains that they will operate the kindergarten on a semester basis, enrolling the older children the first semester, and the younger the second semester. This fall will be the first time that transportation will be provided for the kindergartens in public schools. Dr. King mentioned that we may be faced with the problem of transportation for the parochial schools, as parents may want to place their children in public schools for this reason, and this is something the commissioners may have to consider.

Dr. King stated that all they will need for the kindergartens is some materials and furniture and they are going to try to take care of this without asking for additional funds. He stated they have asked the federal government to audit their books so they will know how much money they will get from the federal government for construction.

### Auditors

Mr. D. Gruber, Mr. W. King, Mr. Donaldson. Mr. Gruber discussed costs for the annual billing and tax work, and various reports. On the reports themselves, the addition of the liber and folio numbers was done at the request of Mr. W. H. Riley, State Department of Assessment and Taxation, who also wanted tax map numbers and additional information in the description columns. He insisted on these changes and they were made. Mr. Gruber had estimated it would cost between \$1600 and \$2,000 to do this work over a period of several years, about five. However, the assessors office has actually accomplished the work in 3 years, and this accounts for the total billing now. This is only a one time change, except for minute ones that will be made when property is transferred, and this cost will be less than

\$100 per year. Once the system is in, the cost of maintaining it is very small.

The class report is a special report that the assessors require every year to know where they stand in relation to property. The property is graded by class, and the assessors must tally how much real estate they have, how much improvements have been made, and how much farm personal property. This determines how they are rated in terms of salary.

The bill for the total job, excluding the special reports, is for the new books, the treasurer's cards that are validated in the cash register, and the tax bills that are made up. This figure also includes the cost of the quarterly work last year. The billing for the total cost is presented in two sections as the work is done this way. The activity of the assessors office creates an additional expense in making up the tax records.

The remaining bill for \$955.38, is for paper. Mr. Gruber said he has deducted the sales tax as the county is exempted from that.

General discussion concerning fact that Mr. Donaldson will have to retire in two years and someone should be trained to take his place. Mr. Gruber stated that the commissioners should be looking for a person to bring into the office to work under Mr. Donaldson, not necessarily as a replacement, but to assist in solving the many problems that will evolve as the county grows, and this person need not be a CPA. However, the person to replace Mr. Donaldson should have six or seven years experience, and be a CPA. This person should spend some time working with Mr. Donaldson, and Mr. Bowles said he felt this should be for 12 months.

### Roads

Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo. Mr. Bond asked which road in Bryans subdivision in Tall Timbers is to be surface treated, and this was clarified for him. He also said that Mr. Grubbe approved the pipe for the St. George Island bridge, and was going to send a letter regarding this to Mr. Pantaleo. Total cost for moving the bridge, graveling, etc., will be \$1,012.74, including the surface treatment. The commissioners agreed that the SRC be given a check in the amount of \$1,000 for this project immediately.

Mr. Bond said they spent a lot of money in May. They were \$10,000 in the "red" when they started and will be about \$5,000 in the "red" by the end of July. During April there was \$10,000 and in May only \$5,000 for the maintenance, and they spent about \$35,000 during the month of April.

Letter will be sent to the SRC regarding request by Mr. Samuel Bailey, Jr., for a picnic area near his home. There is a large one on his property on Route 242, in the 7th District, and a picnic area could be located beneath it. Mr. Thompson will be asked to contact Mr. Bailey regarding this. Mr. Bond will contact Mr. Bradburn, State Forester, about trimming the tree.

Mr. Aud, Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo will inspect the road in McKay's Beach, which according to Mrs. A. Blakeney, is very dusty. The commissioners agreed that Portney's Overlook Road should be added to the oiling schedule and done this year, as it is now in the system. Mr. Bond said he will begin work on this road tomorrow. The commissioners also agreed that the extension of the Jones Wharf Road

be added to the oiling schedule, as it is now in the system.

Mr. Pantaleo presented letter of cost estimate for the Pratt Road, \$1500, and is recommending that this road be placed in the system. Mr. Bowles made motion, seconded by Mr. Aud and passed unanimously that this road be placed in the system.

On the Shangri La Drive extension, Mr. Pantaleo said that if the pipe is bought directly from the company this might save some money, and he has talked to the salesman about this. Mr. Pantaleo wants to advertise for bids with the alternate of the contractor doing the installing of the pipe, and the county doing it. The commissioners agreed that this road should be placed in the county system.

Chancellors Run Road - Mr. Pantaleo spoke with Mr. D. Raley about an estimate. The gutters are washing out and Mr. Raley would like to include stone being placed in the gutters and then blacktopped in the estimate. The Boothe Road will be built with a 20' road way and Mr. Bond feels this can be done for approximately \$4,000.

Mr. Pantaleo inspected the Hermanville Road, and presented letter with rough sketch, relocating the road through the property of Mr. M. Dixon. Proposed length would be 2700' with right of way width of 50'. Approximate cost would be \$7,550. There is no drainage included in this estimate, as Mr. Pantaleo does not know what would be involved. He also mentioned that a legal opinion should be gotten from Mr. Guyther regarding abandonment of a portion of this road. Mr. Burch suggested that Mr. Pantaleo figure this road all the way through and estimate the cost. Before this is surveyed Mr. Pantaleo will make sure of where the line is to go through the property. Mr. Dixon said that gravel for this road can be taken from his gravel pit on the property. Mr. Burch and Mr. Pantaleo will inspect this area again.

Mr. Pantaleo said he wrote to Bacon & Passerelli regarding the cuts across the roads near the Civil Defense building, informing them it is their responsibility to restore the roads to their original condition.

The hill will have to be lowered on the Wise-St. Andrews Road, approximately 7', and this will involve a 400' project. Mr. W. Wise has estimated the cost at approximately \$2,350, and this does not include surface treatment. Tall Timbers Wharf - the commissioners agreed that Mr. W. Wise should clean up the debris in this area for \$100, provided it be done immediately in order to be presentable for the July 4th holiday.

#### Nursing Home

Mr. Pantaleo reported he inspected Mr. J. Mattingly's work on the roadway and this is satisfactory. He recommends that the SRC finish a small portion of the road where there is gravel. Mr. Pantaleo and Mr. Bond will inspect this and see what can be done. The commissioners agreed that Mr. Mattingly should be paid his retainage fee of 2%, which has been withheld pending inspection, amounting to \$238.49.

#### Metropolitan Commission

Mr. L. C. Merchant, Adm. T. Clark, Mr. W. Miles, Mr. J. Kenney, Mr. V. Cherbonnier,

Mr. D. Gruber, Mr. W. King, Mr. Donaldson. General discussion concerning sanitary district and that they are asking that the commissioners select a director for the commission as soon as possible, as such a person is critically needed. Also need office space, a staff, telephone, etc., so they can prepare to go to work on this project. Mr. Merchant stated they need someone to operate the project on a day to day basis in order to do it properly, and it was general feeling that this should be publicized in the papers to make people aware of what is going on, as an educational program is necessary.

Mr. Kenney said that the contract has been negotiated with the navy, and bonds are to be sold the first part of August. The first two contracts will be advertised July 1st.

Mr. Gruber mentioned that when the district is established, the land owner will have the cost for this on the tax bill. Some sort of public notice should be published to make the land owners aware of this, as at present, the tenants are billed directly for the water and sewerage.

Mr. Gruber, Mr. King, Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Cherbonnier left the meeting.

Executive Session called. General discussion concerning The Pub, which is in the middle of a road in Lexington Park. Reviewed original use of the building, and that it was agreed that the building would be torn down at the expense of the owner at no cost to the county. These conditions were agreed to at a meeting with the Zoning Board in 1954. If the county would take this road in as a street, they would have the right of way to it. Mr. Miles presented plat of the area in question for review. Mr. Kenney feels that Mr. Philip Gray would be bound by the conditions under which the permit for construction of the building was issued. The property is actually owned by a Mr. Zanzinger, and if he will dedicate this road up to a point, then they can get a Zoning Board decision for the piece on which the building sits. Mr. Burch said this will have to be discussed with Mr. Guyther, and a copy of the Zoning Board's decision and the plats were left with the commissioners.

Admiral Clark mentioned the position of director as formerly discussed, and offered his services in this capacity, as he feels he is qualified. He proposed that he take this position on a two day fulltime basis, remaining on call and available the other three days. He also wants to remain a member of the Metropolitan Commission if possible. He said he would take the position at a salary not to exceed \$500 per month, on a two day week basis as mentioned, and travel money and expenses outside of the county. The problem is whether or not he could remain a member of the commission and work as the director. He is not proposing this as a permanent thing, and eventually feels that Mr. Miles will fill this position. Mr. Burch stated that this matter will have to be discussed with Mr. Guyther.

#### Redecorating Courtroom

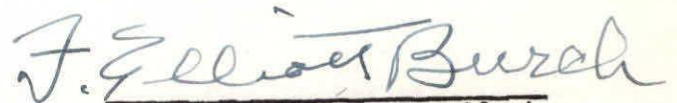
Judge Dorsey stated that the draperies in the courtroom will have to be fire-proofed, and Lucas will line them, but the other company will not. He presented letters of proposal, and Lucas Bros. is the low bidder, at \$2,800, and this work could be done in July. Judge Dorsey said that the chairs inside of the rail

could be gotten later on.

The commissioners agreed that the judge should go ahead and order the twelve jury chairs, the curtains and draperies. Mr. Aud said he will also see about having the courtroom painted immediately where it was plastered, and will discuss this with Mr. P. Raley.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved,

  
F. Elliott Burch, President