

May 20, 1969

Present: F. Elliott Burch  
J. Wilmer Bowles  
George R. Aud  
David Williams

Meeting convened at 9:00 A.M.

#### Alcoholics Anonymous

This group has requested that the Commissioners allow them to have coffee at their meetings on Saturday nights in the Trial Magistrate's Courtroom. Mr. Burch called Mr. O. Wood in and asked if these meetings could be handled in the assembly room of the Civil Defense Building. Mr. Wood was in agreement with this and the people could do their own cleaning up.

#### Control Center

Mr. Wood reported that they are planning a plane crash at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday to see how quickly the rescue squads and hospital can act in an emergency situation.

General discussion followed about phone numbers for the Control Center. They have certain numbers established for police, fire, and the Control Center. Mr. Wood asked about getting a man to climb the control tower to replace the light. Mr. Burch said he would see what could be done if Mr. Wood couldn't get someone to do this.

#### CATV

Mrs. Rogers presented a building permit for the CATV tower in Lexington Park. She stated that Mr. O. Guyther would like to get approval from the Commissioners for construction of the tower. She presented a sketch of the tower and the plat of the site. Mr. Burch stated that they offered to pay some taxes to the County and will hold this until Mr. Guyther comes in. Mr. Marvin Franzen owns the land and does not approve of this, but he is now subject to their lease and will have to go along with it.

Mr. Guyther came in and talked with the Commissioners relative to the tower. Mr. Burch asked how the County could obtain some revenue from this project. Mr. Guyther feels this could be done under the gross receipts section. He said the Commissioners could get a certain percentage of their gross receipts or \$500 of their receipts, whichever is the highest. Mr. Aud stated that in July the amusement tax will go up to  $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ . Mr. Williams said that their attorney was to make some recommendation on how much could be paid, and he was going to make a proposal according to a percentage. The Commissioners have a right to levy such a tax. At the request of Mr. Burch, Mr. Guyther point out the location of the tower on the plat. Mr. Guyther is to return all of the materials to Mrs. Rogers and have the permit issued.

#### Liquor Board

Mr. Williams stated that this Board has asked him to be their attorney. He feels



this would not cause a conflict and would like to take on the additional responsibility. Mr. Burch stated that he has some reservation about this since he is Assistant State's Attorney and the attorney for the Commissioners. Mr. Williams would like the Commissioners to inform him of their decision.

#### Equipment for County Roads

Mr. C. Claypool, Mr. W. S. Donaldson, Mr. B. H. Sterling, Mr. D. Williams, Mr. J. D. Raley, Jr. Mr. Claypool stated that when he submitted his bid he had included a discount of 5% on the equipment. Mr. Bowles asked what will determine if the machine is inoperating condition. Mr. Claypool stated if the machine is running and doing the work it is in operating condition. If anything is defective, they will replace parts without cost. He stated they stand behind their machines and if it is defective, they fix it and if it cannot be fixed in three days they will bring in another machine until parts become available. The price for the crawler loader is \$28,220, the bulldozer, \$36,942, and the trailer, \$4,228. Mr. Claypool said that the 20 ton trailer is 38 inches off the ground and is guaranteed for two years. The Commissioners are considering the 20 ton trailer because there will be a limited number of county men working the equipment. General discussion followed about the types of trailers. Mr. J. D. Raley said that this meets with his approval and that an angle blade is what is needed on the bulldozer. Mr. Burch asked if we could have this equipment by July, and Mr. Claypool said he will do all he can to get the equipment delivered by July 1. He stated there are no special fittings on the machines. Also, his company matches prices of stock that other companies sell.

It was decided that Mr. P. Raley would give Mr. Claypool a letter awarding him the bid. McKay Implement Company will be contacted for the purchase of the truck. Mr. J. D. Raley said that he has two men to work on the equipment and work for the County. He suggested that the Commissioners send him a letter requesting any work to be done and he will take care of it. He also stated that if there was anything he could do in Mr. Pantaleo's absence, the Commissioners should let him know.

#### Beavin Company

George Dent, Mr. P. Raley. Mr. Dent stated he was here to find out if the Commissioners had any work to be done. Mr. Burch told him that the County is not planning to take over the roads this year, and that he didn't know of any work to be done at this time. Mr. Dent reported that Mr. Beavin will be through with the Master Water and Sewerage Plan by July.

#### Watershed

Mr. R. Thompson, Mr. John Hall, Mr. W. S. Donaldson, Mr. B. H. Sterling. Mr. Thompson stated their problem is with Option 1, and the Department of Game and Inland Fish is not willing to do the legal work and survey on the site. These options are for only six months. Also asked if the Commissioners are in a position to advance them \$7 - 8,000, to do the legal and survey work. Mr. Burch read a letter from Mr. Shields stating that he is receptive to their plans. They presently have four of the options and Mr. Hall feels they probably may have all of them by June 5. Mr. Hall reported that the D. C. Pulp and Paper Co. wants a friendly condemnation suit. Mr. Thompson asked if the Commissioners



attorney had any jurisdiction over this. Mr. Hall reported that Mr. James Owens had to negotiate where the lines were going before he gave the option over to them. Mr. Burch suggested that someone contact the Department of Game and Inland Fish and wait to see what they say about this.

#### Civil Defense

Mr. Otis Wood will attend the meeting on May 22 at 10:00 A.M. in Annapolis regarding Governor Mandell's conference on procedures for obtaining aid from National Guard and State Police in case of disasters, disturbances, etc.

#### Wicomico Sewage and Treatment Plant

In December the Wicomico Shores Yacht and Country Club had Mr. Guyther go before the Planning/<sup>and</sup>Zoning Commission regarding the new type sewage and treatment plant for Wicomico. The total number of lots approved was 300 and the plan was proposed by Calgon. Mr. Guyther said the Commissioners should take the plans and proposals to Mr. Beavin. They have met with Mr. Beavin and proposed to reserve 5 acres of land, but Mr. Beavin said 25 acres must be reserved for this plan because of future population and Calgon does not approve of this. Mr. Beavin told them to submit a layout of reserve land and survey. This is the present lagoon for the present 300 lots. Mr. Beavin said this should be discussed with the Commissioners and the Commissioners ask Mr. Guyther any questions about it. The State Health Department has approved Calgon and Beavin has approved this system. This is based on having 56,000 people in the future. The plant will be planned in stages, and it will be the type design that is built in steps. The plant costs \$200,000 and it is Mr. Guyther's suggestion that a description of this be forwarded to Mr. Beavin with a letter saying that the Commissioners have received this from R.R.R. & G., Inc., and would like to know if this meets with Mr. Beavin's approval, requesting an early reply. After approval of site and system by Mr. Beavin, this will then go to the State Health Department to be put into effect.

#### Cherbonnier Property

According to the 1964 minutes, it was intended that Mr. A. V. Cherbonnier would be deeded the land in front of his property in St. Mary's City, Snow Hill Manor Road. Mr. Guyther reported that Mr. Cherbonnier had submitted an amended petition. The Commissioners will meet this afternoon at the memorial with Mr. Guyther and Gen. Hogaboom and investigate the situation.

#### Roads

Mr. Bowles requested Mr. Bond to check on the road leading off Webster Field, 1st District, to see if this could be surface treated, and the latter will do so.

#### Oiling Schedule

Mr. Bond is requesting \$100,000 from the Commissioners for the oiling schedule and will discuss this at the next meeting with them. Mr. Donaldson told Mr. Bond that there is no more money in the budget for this.

Mr. Aud stated that the street in front of the Plaza Theatre in Lexington Park



needs the center lines painted. Mr. Bond will investigate.

Mr. Bowles requested that Mr. Bond have some calcium chloride put on the Frank Latham Road in Redgate. Mr. Bond will check into this. Mr. Aud said the St. James Road needs some calcium chloride put on it.

#### Bushwood Wharf

A letter is to be sent to Mr. Alex Sanduskey, Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs, regarding work to be done on the existing County wharf at Bushwood, to dredge an area on site of the existing wharf site, 20' wide and approximately 250' long and in the rear of a proposed bulkhead for a distance of approximately 200' by 100', and to construct a bulkhead approximately 125' in length in front of the proposed dredging area. Approximately 2400 cubic yards of material will be excavated.

#### Town Commissioners

Mr. M. Dakis, Mr. H. Sterling, Mr. W. S. Donaldson. Mr. Dakis reported that the County is delinquent in three payments of assistance for police protection. Upon checking it was found that the check had gone out in the mail and the Town Commissioners should receive it tomorrow.

#### Retirement Plan

Mr. Allen Beard, Resident Consulting Actuary, Meidinger & Assoc., Inc., Mr. Raymond Dunleavy, Trust Office, Maryland National Bank, Baltimore, met with the Commissioners concerning a retirement plan that could be set up by the County for employees.

Mr. Dunleavy stated that their system would be cheaper and the benefits greater than the State Retirement System. Mr. Beard said you first plan on what employees to cover and they will work with the County in setting up a plan, then they will evaluate the liability, the funding method, who is covered, and the range of contributions. This will call for an evaluation and would set up standards to use. The study would cost \$750, approximately, but no more than \$1,000. They would act in an advisory capacity in administering the program. The retirement age would be 60, and they have two type plans, trustee and insured. They feel the trustee plan for individual employees will produce the best results. The County must have 75% participation under this plan.

#### Bills Approved

The Commissioners approved payment of \$65.04 to SRC for construction work on St. Andrews Church Road, Project SM 599-512.


Approved payment of \$11.30 to Judge Taylor for traveling expense.

Approved \$146.05 to Parks and Recreation Board for camera from Centron Corp., Inc. Also \$800 for St. Clements Shores Park for topographic survey and \$300 for boundary survey to John D. Emler and Associates. Approved payment of \$107.88 for telephone expense, and \$150 for secretary for Parks and Recreation Board.

Approved payment of \$100 to Mudd & Mudd, Attorneys, in connection with acquisition of Maloy tract for Parks and Recreation Board.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Approved,

  
F. Elliott Burch, President

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