

Tuesday, October 20, 1970

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Navy's Request for accelerated assistance from the
Judiciary

Present: Judge Philip H. Dorsey, Circuit Court
Judge John H. T. Briscoe, Trial Magistrate
Robert E. Wigginton, County Attorney
Commander D. A. Yeager, USN, Security Officer, NAS
Major R. B. McCrindle, Commanding Officer,
Marine Barracks, Naval Air Station
Joseph D. Weiner, States Attorney

SEE: County Commissioners' Files
"NAVAL AIR STATION"

Board of County Commissioners' Meeting

Tuesday, October 27, 1970

Present: F. Elliott Burch, President
 J. Wilmer Bowles, Commissioner
 George R. Aud, Commissioner
 Robert E. Wigginton, County Attorney
 Paul R. Raley, Administrative Assistant
 Helen M. Bailey (Mrs.), Admin. Asst. (Recording)

The meeting came to order at 10:20 a.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting which was held on October 20, 1970, were read and approved.

Payments Approved

Lorenzi, Dodds & Gunnill, Bennett's Landfill, revision from 17 to 50 acres, completion of stake-out of the 50 acres-----	\$591.75
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Tall Timbers Shore Erosion Project

Southern Maryland Wood Treating Corp.-----	124.02
Delahay's Pile Driving Service, wk. Oct. 19-23, 1970---	2,225.00
Delahay's Pile Driving Service, wk. Oct. 12-16, 1970--	2,645.00

Reimburse Sheriff's Department \$120 for narcotics work-----	120.00
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Payment to Judge Clarence S. Dodge for additional expense, transportation and additional services performed during period October 16 - November 2, 1970-	100.00
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Secretarial Service

Approved payment for the Soil Conservation Service Secretary to record minutes of the meetings of the Task Force Group on Sediment Control. There will be three additional meetings on November 10, November 24, and December 8, 1970.

Court Reporter's Service

Approved payment to Roy Carter, Court Reporter, to record and transcribe verbatim text of the Public Hearing on the Zoning Ordinance, to be held at 8:00 p.m. on November 18, 1970.

St. Mary's River Watershed Project

Present: David K. Bowen, Soil Conservation Service,
College Park
John W. Hall, SCS, Leonardtown
Fred L. Eskew, Dept. of Forests and Parks
Gene F. Cheers, Dept. of Forests and Parks
Wm. P. Weldon, SCS (Engineer)
James W. Henderson, Sr., Recreation and
Parks, St. Mary's
Robert H. Mattingly, Jr., Land Acquisition
A. J. Focer, Lorenzi, Dodds & Gunnill
Charles M. Frisbie, Fish and Wildlife
W. A. Krebs, Fish and Wildlife Admin.
Ben W. Smith, Extension Service
Bill Groome, Farmers Home Admin.
Robert A. Stevens, St. Mary's SCD Supervisor

The foregoing appeared to review the status of funding for the St. Mary's River Watershed Project. All agencies are prepared to proceed, with the exception of the FHA, whose monies for the mortgage loan in the amount of \$250,000 have been withheld by FHA budgetary authorities. The Board of County Commissioners indicated that they would have a letter prepared requesting permission from the State Director of FHA to pay obligations for land acquisition prior to closing because of unusual circumstances. Upon receipt of such request, the State Director will determine whether a necessity exists for incurring obligations before loan closing; the obligations will be incurred for authorized loan purposes; the sponsoring local organization has the legal authority to incur the obligations at the time proposed; and payment of the debts will remove any basis for any mechanics, materialmen's or other liens that may be filed against the sponsoring local organization. Mr. Bill Groome stated that he did not foresee any difficulty with obtaining such permission, since he felt FHA would realize that land acquisition activity must commence at the earliest in order to avoid price escalation and to accommodate the other participating agencies whose monies have already been allocated and are available. Mr. Robert E. Wigginton, County Attorney, is to prepare the formal application for assistance to the FHA for the Board of County Commissioners' signatures.

Mr. David K. Bowen, Soil Conservation Service, USDA, College Park, outlined in detail the SCS plans which include commencement of the geological investigations by a survey crew from the Eastern Shore by the middle of November. This survey will take approximately six weeks and Mr. Bowen estimates that by next March, SCS will be in a position to let the formal contract for the final geological investigations, which will take another three months. Arrangements for obtaining access to the lands in Sites #1 and #2 were discussed since the surveys will start prior to acquisition of the land. The County Attorney stated that he foresaw no difficulty with obtaining access to the lands by the survey crews and that he would draft up a letter of notification so that the land owners would be aware of the planned activity. It was estimated that construction on Site #1 could start in June of 1972. Mr. Bowen stated that he was extremely gratified to receive the assurances of the Board's intentions in the matter of financing the land acquisition in any eventuality, so that he would proceed with the work plan without further reservation.

The Department of Forests and Parks, who have land acquisition responsibility in its entirety for Site #2, will arrange for a meeting with the Soil Conservation Service people and the Fish and Wildlife Administration, to delineate a plan for funding, coordinate activity on developing Site #2, and to incorporate activity in general.

Mr. Bowen stated that Sites #1 and #2 would be surveyed concurrently and that as soon as construction on Site #1 is complete, the design, construction, and funding plans on Site #2 would commence so as to permit continuation of construction on Site #2 immediately thereafter, at approximately the end of fiscal 1972.

Extension Service

Mr. Ben W. Smith, Extension Service, St. Mary's County, advised the Board of County Commissioners that the Extension Service was planning on hiring an additional female Extension Aide to work in the area of Home Economics Housing in St. Mary's County at a salary of \$4,000 per year. Further, Mr. Smith stated that St. Mary's County would not be required to contribute toward this salary.

Hermanville Road

Present: Messrs. Hugh W. and Wayne Wilkerson
 Mr. J. Douglas Bond, Resident Engineer, SRC
 Mr. August H. Wagener, County Engineer
 Mr. John Hall, SCS

Erosion and Sediment Control provisions for inclusion in the construction plans for the Hermanville Road were under discussion. Mr. Hugh W. Wilkerson stated that the plans were now ready for submission to the Soil Conservation Service and the Department of Water Resources. Arrangements were made for Mr. John Hall of the Soil Conservation Service and Mr. Wilkerson to collaborate with Mr. Augustine of the Department of Water Resources in order to expedite sediment control clearance on the construction project. All obstacles removed, Mr. Wilkerson stated that perhaps we could advertise for bids next week.

Blackistone Road, Peacock Manor, 6th District

Mr. J. Douglas Bond, Resident Engineer, SRC, pointed out that there was a section of road that had not been taken into the County System which would tie Blackistone Road in with the Peacock Manor sub-division. The overall length is 379 feet and it meets county specifications. Mr. Bond also stated that he asked Mr. Oliver R. Guyther about the status of this road and Mr. Guyther indicated to him that all that was needed was inclusion of this section of road in the deed and the plat.

Smithfield Drive, St. Peter's Key Sub-Division

Messrs. Bond and Wagener reported that the road has been inspected and is ready to be taken over by St. Mary's County, it being about 1,000 feet long. Mr. Wagener was requested to submit the plats and the deed for recording.

Metropolitan Commission Request for Easements on
State Route 235

Present: Adm. Thurston B. Clark, Metropolitan Commission
Mr. Myron G. Marlay, Metropolitan Commission
Mr. Charles Wible, SMECO
Mr. Walter Smith, SMECO

Adm. Clark outlined the Metropolitan Commission's difficulty in obtaining the necessary easements, or rights-of-way, for extending public water and sewage north on Route 235 and requested that the Southern Maryland Electrip Coop., Inc. and the Board of County Commissioners cooperate in granting the necessary easements on the railroad right-of-way so that the sewer can be constructed with a minimum of inconvenience to the County and to the SMECO. It was agreed that documentation on this request be submitted before the SMECO Board meeting on November 17, 1970 for their consideration. The representatives from SMECO stated that they were confident of SMECO'S desire to cooperate in this matter -- which opinion was concurred in by the Board of County Commissioners. Mr. Walter Smith will advise the Board of SMECO's intentions in this matter soon after the November 17th Board meeting. Copy of the formal written request from the Metropolitan Commission under date of October 26, 1970, with its enclosures, has been placed in the official files of the Board of County Commissioners, and one copy was given to Mr. Walter Smith for transmittal to the SMECO Board.

Parochial School Bus Contracts

The Director of Finance and Mr. Paul R. Raley, Administrative Assistant, were requested by the Board to expedite the finalization of the parochial school bus contracts, as well as the remuneration formula, which is to be changed and updated to conform with the payment scales used by the Board of Education.

Annual Assessments on Erosion Tax, Tall Timbers

The Director of Finance and Mr. Paul R. Raley were requested by the Board to expedite a plan and computations for collecting the Shore Erosion Control taxes from the residents of Tall Timbers. The Erosion Relief Project for Tall Timbers is nearing its completion.

Codification of Proposed Zoning Ordinance (Manual)

The Board agreed to request the services of Mrs. Eunice L. Tillman in order to obtain an alphabetical index to the manual on the Proposed Zoning Ordinance. (This index should be prepared in final prior to the Zoning Ordinance Public Hearing on November 18.)

Compton Public Trash Disposal Area Lease

A one-year renewal to the lease between Leo Klear and George R. Taylor for St. Mary's County use of the Compton Trash Disposal area, in the 3rd Election District, was executed.

Request for closing of ramp at end of Clarke's Landing Road

A petition, dated October 20, 1970, was received from the residents of that area, requesting that the ramp at the end of Clarke's Landing Road be closed, and that a barricade and erection of adequate warning signs be accomplished, in order to reduce the public nuisance created by disorderly persons and to prevent cars from running off the end of the ramp into the water. The request was taken under advisement.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch

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President