

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETINGThursday, September 14, 1972

Present: George R. Aud, President
Commissioner J. Wilmer Bowles
Commissioner J. S. Guy, Jr.
Robert E. Wigginton, County Attorney
Judith D. Bowles, Recording Secretary
Paul R. Raley, Administrative Officer

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 A. M.

Correspondence presented by Mrs. Viola Gardner

Mrs. Viola Gardner, Administrative Assistant to the County Commissioners, attended the meeting with correspondence received by the County Commissioners with action to be taken by the Board.

1. The Commissioners received a memo from Mrs. Leila Rogers, Secretary to Planning and Zoning, concerning overtime she had put in for night meetings. The Commissioners agreed that Mrs. Rogers be granted comp-time for any overtime she put in for these meetings.

2. A letter was received from CATV concerning crossing of County roads in the system. The Commissioners agreed that Mr. Wigginton and John Norris should get together and draft a legal agreement between CATV and the County to cross County roads.

3. A letter was received from Dr. John Mills of the Tri-County Council concerning Kitts Point and stated that there had been some discussion as to whether the Council should provide information for whatever evaluation the Board deemed appropriate. The Commissioners advised Mrs. Gardner to write a letter to Dr. Mills stating that the Commissioners had not requested an evaluation of the Kitts Point project and if there should be any change regarding this matter, an official request would be forwarded to him.

4. Mrs. Gardner advised the Commissioners that John Baggett, Director of Recreation and Parks was making application for surplus property located at the old missile site on Hermanville Road. She added that an application would go to HEW and one to the Department of the Interior. The Commissioners approved the application.

5. Otis Wood, Acting Director of the Emergency Operations Center, requested the County to provide for another base and equipment instrumental thereto for the Ridge Fire Department. The cost would be \$1630.00. The Commissioners requested that Mr. Sterling, Director of Finance, advise if this amount was available in the budget.

Kingston Road - Resolution

The Commissioners signed a resolution for a 30 m.p.h. speed limit on Kingston Road.

Heating System - Health Department - Lexington Park, Md.

Mrs. Gardner stated that the Commissioners received a letter from Dr. Marek, Deputy Health Officer, concerning the heating problems in the Lexington Park office. The Commissioners requested Mr. Norris to handle this problem and get it resolved.

Golden Beach Road

John Norris, County Engineer, stated that he had received a letter from the Golden Beach Association asking the County to help remedy the drainage problem on Golden Beach Road. Due to fact that the area was below sea level, water was washing into a pipe under the road which caused considerable flooding in this area.

The residents requested the County to provide the labor and the Golden Beach Association would provide a 250' section of pipe with a valve at the end of the pipe, to be controlled by the residents.

The Commissioners felt inasmuch as the situation is not the result of County roads or property they could not set a precedent for this type of work.

The Commissioners requested Mr. Wigginton to write a letter to the Golden Beach Association advising them of their views.

Bills Approved

The Following bills were approved by Board of County Commissioners for payment:

State of Maryland, Airport Development Program	
Construction Loan of 1964 (annual payment)	\$ 5142.04

Maryland Dept. of Transportation, Recordation
 Fee: right of way in connection with heirs
 of Henry and Mary E. Turner (Hickory Hill Rd.) \$ 13.00

Robert E. Wigginton, County Attorney
 (Legal fee for August) 1002.06

J. Carroll Morgan, repairs to air conditioning
 at the Control Center 3228.52

Historical Society (Information Ctr.-August) 416.66

Tanner's Creek

Present: Mr. Leonard Larese Casanova-Shore Erosion Control
 Department of Water Resources
 Mr. John P. Wilkinson, Mr. Philop H. Wilkinson, Mr.
 Harold A. Duffy, and Mrs. Louise Blosser

Mrs. Blosser stated that she was speaking in behalf of the Tanner's Creek Citizens Association and wanted to make some sort of arrangement with the County as to guidelines to be followed in order to get State Aid or some sort of help from the State on Shore Erosion problems in Tanner's Creek. She added that she hoped to get the total number of property owners in streets 1, 2 and 3 to sign the petition for State Aid. She had 80% of the people on the first street; 60% on the second street and another 60% on the third street. Along Route 5 the percentage is way down and across to Mr. Courtney's property there is another 40 to 50% of property owners she hoped to talk to this week.

Mrs. Blosser stated that when she asks these people to sign up they immediately want to know how much it will cost them.

Quite a long discussion ensued between the Commissioners, Mr. Casanova and the property owners present at the meeting concerning the need of immediate help in this area and the type of material needs, such as bulkheading (concrete or creosote) etc.

The County Commissioners agreed that a letter be directed to Mr. Louis N. Phipps, Director of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs requesting preliminary estimates of the cost per foot an erosion control structure would cost. After this

information is secured the County Commissioners felt that a letter to Senators Beall and Mathias would be in order.

Part Time Help in the County Engineer's Office

The County Commissioners approved the hiring of part time help in the County Engineer's Office. The duties would consist of work associated with the Department of Natural Resources projects.

Approval of the Metropolitan Commission's Resolution - St. Mary's County as Ten Sanitary Districts

County Commissioner J. Wilmer Bowles, made a motion to approve the resolution proposed by the Metropolitan Commission designating St. Mary's County as ten Sanitary Districts. Said resolution was presented at a public hearing held on September 8, 1972 at 7:30 P.M. at Leonardtown School, duly advertised in accordance with the law. County Commissioner J. S. Guy, Jr., seconded the motion. The Resolution of the Metropolitan Commission was unanimously approved by the County Commissioners.

Abandoned Boats in St. Mary's County Waters

Present: Mr. Warren Shelley, Capital Programmer, Waterway Improvements and Mr. John B. Norris, Jr.

Mr. Shelley stated that an aerial survey of St. Mary's County waters was made and an approximate count of derelict boats was made and their locations as follows:

Wicomico River	16 boats	\$1,400.00
St. Catherine's Sound	6 boats	1,400.00
St. Patrick's Creek	30 boats	6,500.00
St. George's Creek	7 boats	1,600.00
*Est. Uncounted	---	---
	<u>49 boats</u>	<u>\$20,900.00</u>

*Due to the fact that flying was prohibited over the Naval Base at Patuxent River, no count could be taken; however, an allowance was made for estimated number of boats in that area.

Mr. Shelley stated that \$200 - \$250 was estimated as the cost to remove each medium size boat from St. Mary's County waters. He added that monies were available to clean our waters of these boats.

Mr. John Norris asked if the money could be shifted around if the entire amount is not needed in a certain area. Mr. Shelley added that he did not know, but could not foresee any reason why not. He stated that if we get our shorelines cleaned up, people would be less prone to leaving boats around.

The Commissioners were concerned about any liability that would be incurred should the wrong boat be picked up and thought the project should be advertised in the papers before any boats were picked up, which might alleviate any liability. Commissioner Bowles stated that a signed release could be provided by the owner.

Mr. Shelley informed the Commissioners that if they could get the boat number, just to give him a call and he could give them the name of the owner.

Drug Abuse Administration

Present: Msg. Veith, Youth Commission Chairman, Dr. Marek, County Health Officer, Thomas Craine, State Drug Abuse Administration and Brother Farrell McCarthy.

Thomas Craine advised the Commissioners that a letter from the Drug Abuse Administration was sent to them stating that \$39,600 had been allocated to St. Mary's County. The letter also requested the Commissioners to advise the Drug Abuse Administration of a contact here in St. Mary's County to be responsible for the \$39,600.00. Thomas Craine added that a total of \$29,700 remains of these funds. At this point, the Commissioners agreed that Dr. Marek would be the contact man and responsible for the funds.

The Commissioners were in agreement and a letter outlining the same was to be written by Mrs. Gardner to Mr. Phillip Greene of the State Drug Abuse Administration. The program as outlined by Thomas Craine would be on a Tri-County basis with the following provisions:

1. Charles County would be responsible for funds available to the Tri-County area.
2. Charles County Center offer their total services to the Tri-County area.
3. Miss Hawkins accept the position as Tri-County Director.
4. Miss Hawkins will hire, train and supervise the staff that will work 20 hours a week in Calvert County and 40 hours a week in St. Mary's County.
5. St. Mary's and Calvert Counties provide space for staff, phone and services of the Health Department in their respective Counties.

Proclamations Signed

The County Commissioners signed a Proclamation designating the week of September 16th through the 23rd as Square Dancing Week.

The County Commissioners also signed a Proclamation designating the day of October 7, 1972, as the Oyster Festival.

Housing Task Force

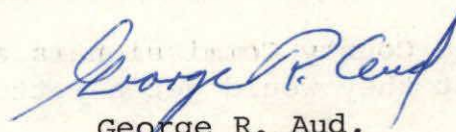
Presnet: Mary J. Thomas, Mary H. Woodland, Frank O'Hara III, Eric Eisenberg, Dr. J. Patrick Jarboe and John W. Williams.

Mr. Williams stated that the Housing Tash Force had met with the Commissioners on January 28th and May 9th concerning the adoption of the BOCA Code for future construction for residential dwellings in St. Mary's County. Mr. Williams added that they had written to the County Commissioners asking their approval of the BOCA Code System and mailed them pertinent data relating to the same and to this date had received no reply. The Housing Task Force asked the County Commissioners to request a training group to come into the County and explain the BOCA Code at a training session. At this point he submitted letters endorsing the training group from the Community Development Administration.

Commissioner Guy stated that this office owed the Housing Task Force an apology due to the fact that the Commissioners had advised a member of their staff to write such a letter to the Community Development Administration. The Commissioners stated they would see that a letter got out as soon as possible.

Dr. Jarboe expressed hope that the public meeting could be set up in the evening to accomodate those persons interested. This public meeting would be advertised in the papers.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 P. M.



George R. Aud,
President