

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 1972

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 A. M. by
 Commissioner President, George R. Aud.

William T. Abell - Subdivision Regulations

Present: John Norris, County Engineer
 William T. Abell
 Paul Ridgell

Mr. Abell said he sold a lot to Mr. Paul Ridgell. Mr. Ridgell has had the lot surveyed, percolation tested, lumber delivered and signed a mortgage for this property. Mr. Abell said that this property is in the First District in St. Inigoes fronting on Route 5 and consists of one and one/hundredth acres. After being told by the Health Department that the percolation test passed, Mr. Ridgell called the Courthouse to get a building permit and was advised he first needed a Health Department slip.

Mr. Abell had a large parcel of land and had sold some lots on this property. Mr. Abell said in 1944 he had Mr. Joy survey four lots which he sold then. About six years ago he gave one to his grandson.

John Norris summarized by stating that in the 40's Mr. Abell sold four lots, in the 60's he gave one to his grandson. He asked Mr. Abell if he sold a lot in 1968. Mr. Abell replied he had. Mr. John Norris stated that there were no subdivision regulations until 1954. Commissioner Aud asked Mr. Norris how long it would take Mr. Abell to subdivide. Mr. Norris stated it would take quite a while. Mr. Abell said the Health Department said that it was fine, sandy soil. Commissioner Bowles asked Mr. Ridgell the reason the Health Department gave him for refusing the percolation slip. Mr. Ridgell replied that Mr. Mast told him Mr. Abell was in violation of the subdivision laws.

Mr. Abell said he thought it was all right if he had a road adjacent to the property, he just did not understand.

Commissioner Aud advised Mr. Abell that the Commissioners would discuss this situation with their attorney and contact him as soon as possible.

Mrs. McKinnon and Mrs. Morris - Trailer Complaint

Mrs. Morris said they had three trailers on their property since 1962, Morris' Point, Seventh District. Her sister, Mrs. McKinnon recently bought a trailer and placed it on the property temporarily. She asked Mr. Cryer if it was all right to place the trailer on the property until they obtained a percolation at another location. He said this was agreeable with him. Her sister placed the trailer on the lot. Mrs. Morris said Mr. Cryer stated that it would be fine to put electricity to the trailer and she could use it on the week ends. Then they were told they had to move it.

Commissioner Aud asked Mrs. McKinnon when she was planning to move her trailer. Mrs. McKinnon stated Mr. Mast would run the percolation test as soon as possible. Mrs. McKinnon stated again that she would only be there temporarily that she and her daughter come down on Fridays and go back on Sundays. Mr. Mast said that he would have to talk to a Mr. Owens and after he did he denied a percolation test at the temporary location.

At this point Mrs. McKinnon presented the Commissioners with a plat showing the location of each of these trailers. She stated that three of them had been there for twenty years, and that she wanted to become a resident of St. Mary's County and no one told her anything about the regulations and none were given to her and she had come to the Commissioners for help.

Commissioner Guy asked Mrs. Morris how many trailers on her property were connected to sewer and water. Mrs. Morris said all were on their own systems, except for her sisters and she wants to hook up.

Commissioner Guy asked when the trailer regulations went into effect. Mrs. Morris said they went into effect in 1966. Commissioner Aud asked if Mr. Cryer had served Mrs. McKinnon with a violation notice. Mrs. McKinnon replied he had not. Commissioner Guy asked Mrs. Morris how many trailers had been placed on the property since 1966. Mrs. Morris said just this onw. Mrs. Morris asked if she was permitted to have a trailer court license. Commissioner Guy said she would have to make application for it and that it was subject to approval by the Health Department, Planning and Zoning and the County Commissioners.

Mrs. McKinnon stated that she did not want to do anything that was illegal that this was only going to be a temporary arrangement and she is going to move her trailer to a wooded lot which consists of 2 and 7/10's acres. Until it is perced she would like to leave it there.

Commissioner Aud stated that he was sure that something could be worked out and the Commissioners would be back in touch with them in a couple of days.

Proclamations Signed by the County Commissioners

50th Anniversary celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lawrence
 50th Anniversary celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Gibson
 Designation of October 24th as United National Day
 National Newspaper Week, Oct. 8 through Oct. 14, 1972
 United Giver's Fund Campaign Oct. 14 through Nov. 24, 1972

Resolution Signed by the County Commissioners

No. 72-30 Subj: Supplemental Budget for the Board of Education.

Bills Approved:

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene	
Hospital In Patient Services 10-1to 12-31-72	\$ 25,481.00
Calvert Independent (Housing Authority)	66.52
Tri-County Councill Fee for Fiscal 72-73	9,000.00
Southern Maryland Dredging Co., Inc.	20,000.00
Baltimore Afro-American	45.60

Quitclaim Deed - Maryland National Bank Building

It was brought to the attention of the County Commissioners that Lawrence Millison, owner of the Maryland National Bank Bldg. is requesting that the County sign a quitclaim deed for approximately 35.083 sq. ft. due to the fact that the Bank Building encoraches County property at Shangri-La Drive and in so doing is within the 70' right of way by 35.083 sq. ft.

The Commissioners requested John Norris to check into the matter and report back to them.

United Givers Fund Campaign Kickoff

Present: Mr. Ed Curly, President, Mr. Cecil Grimes and Captain Kilcline.

The aforementioned persons appeared before the County Commissioners requesting their assistance and support of the UGF Campaign, which will run from October 14th to November 24, 1972. A proclamation was signed to this effect. The Press was available for pictures publicizing the Campaign.

Mr. Al Tate - St. Andrew's Church Road

Commissioner Aud stated that the deed for the right of ways on St. Andrews Church Road had been prepared and that the first order of business for John Norris, the County Engineer, is to get this right of way agreement signed. The agreement consists of thirty property owners. Mr. Tate replied that time is running out and the State Highway Administration will need all information by March 30, 1973.

Mr. Tate asked if allowance of a fifty foot right of way with slope easements were being taken into consideration. John Norris stated that this provision had been made. Mr. Tate also advised Mr. Norris that in approaching these property owners he should have with him the plans and scale it off so that every one will see the location on their property. Mr. Norris said this will be done.

Mr. Tate advised the Commissioners that the pressure will have to be put on as he would like to see construction under way before March of 1973. He added the County will have to advertise for four weeks.

Commissioner Bowles asked Mr. Tate what he would have to have by December. Mr. Tate replied that the certification from the County Commissioners stating that the right of ways are clear, in order that advertising could be scheduled. The State Highway Administration would have to have a final review of the plans.

Commissioner Bowles asked if provisions were made for ditches, on the plans, Mr. Tate replied there was. Commissioner Aud asked if provisions were allowed for entrances. Mr. Tate said that everything is in the plans and specifications that would take it to the right of way line. Mr. Norris stated that there were chain fences that would have to be moved. Mr. Tate stated that a good way to handle this would be that whenever Mr. Norris could, try to get the property owners to do as much of this work as possible, it can be put through as an extra work order. Commissioner Bowles instructed Mr. Norris to get their signatures on the back of the plat along with any agreements for extra work and make sure they understand the agree-

ment. Should Mr. Norris run into a problem he should advise the Commissioners.

Mr. Tate stated that if 90% of the right of ways are clear it could be advertised. Commissioner Bowles asked if it would suffice to advertise in the local paper. Mr. Tate said that it would. The Dodge Report will pick it up. He added that the State Highway Administration would review the bids to see if the prices were right and that state road specifications are complied with.

If the County Commissioners wished the State Highway Administration supervision and inspection of the construction, soil testing, etc. they have to write Mr. Tate a letter requesting the same. The Commissioners requested Mr. Norris to direct such a letter to Mr. Tate.

Mr. Norris asked Mr. Tate about the details as to the crossing of the marsh. Mr. Tate said he did not know if this was specified. The marsh would have to be mucked out and did not feel that this would be a problem, it would be worked out in the final review.

After bids are received they should be submitted to the State Highway Administration for concurrence before the contract is awarded. Commissioner Bowles asked if this had to be done by January 1, 1973. Mr. Tate replied that the job had to be done by March, 1973 and that Commissioners would have to advertise in December of 1972. After receiving the right of way agreement, Mr. Tate will send a notice to proceed. This transmittal will take two to three weeks. After Notice is received by the County the contract bonds will have to be secured before the contractors can begin work.

Mr. Sterling, Director of Finance, asked Mr. Tate if the County would follow the same procedures as Section One of St. Andrew's Church Road. Mr. Tate replied affirmative.

Mr. Tate advised the Commissioners that the utility companies have been notified, but they have been given no exact date. Mr. Aud stated that a letter should be sent to them advising them as soon as we know when work will proceed.

State Highway Administration Meeting on Conditions of St. Mary's County Roads - Mr. Al Tate

Mr. Tate stated that approximately a month ago a meeting was held at the State Highway Administration. He reported that

all St. Mary's County Roads he had reviewed were basically in good shape with the exception of:

SAYSF Road (Hollywood) - because it has not settled.
 Longneck and McKay's Beach Road - potholes
 Snow Hill Road - in fair condition

Commissioner Aud stated that he would like to know when Laradore Road would be re-constructed. Mr. Tate stated that Mr. J. Dennis Raley could not do it this year and suggested that the Commissioners put this work out on contract. He stated that Mr. Raley has Richneck and Pegg's road to complete this year.

Mr. Tate stated that work had been done on Dave Bailey Road and Mattingly-Tennyson Road. Commissioner Bowles stated that the Commissioners were totally appreciative of what was done on these two roads; however, he felt that these could only be considered very small projects. Commissioner Guy stated that we had an awful lot of drainage and ditching problems.

At this point, Mr. Paul Raley stated that Mrs. Blanche Trossback had three ditches on her property and has tried to get them cleaned out. Mr. John Cooper, SHA, stated that he could not do it that she would have to get it done. Mr. Tate asked Mr. Raley who was first responsible for the ditches. Mr. Raley stated that the ditches were a result of road construction. Mr. Tate stated that if this was the case, they would have to correct the situation.

Mr. J. Dennis Raley - Dumps

Mr. Tate stated that Mr. J. Dennis Raley was hauling a lot of fill dirt for the County landfills and that this would have to cease due to Mr. Raley's workload. He suggested that the County put this out on bid to local contractors. He added that there were two small graders he could let the County use. Mr. Aud requested that Mr. Tate allow the County thirty days in which to send out bids on this work. Mr. Tate Agreed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 P. M.


 George R. Aud,
 President