

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Tuesday, August 21, 1984

Present: Commissioner George R. Aud, President  
Commissioner Richard D. Arnold  
Commissioner Ford L. Dean  
Commissioner David F. Sayre  
Margaret Nelson, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner Larry Millison was not present due to illness.)

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Aud called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On page 8 of the August 14 1984 minutes, Commissioner Dean requested that the first paragraph show that the County Engineer was given "change order authority". He also requested that on page 10 the last three paragraphs be deleted under the St. Clements Shores Wastewater Treatment Plant Allocation and the item from the last page referring to the same be included within that section. Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Aud to approve the minutes as had been changed. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Commissioner Aud moved, seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

Calvex System - Calvert Cliff's EOC Exercise

The County Administrator informed the Board that the annual nuclear emergency exercise through the Emergency Operations Center is scheduled to be held on September 11, 1984. It will be necessary that President Aud and the County Administrator be present.

Legislative Package Distribution

Correspondence was presented for the Board's approval for Legislative Package 1985 distribution to appropriate agencies for any submission of legislative proposals to the 1985 General Assembly.

Board of Education Budgetary Modification

The County Administrator presented correspondence dated August 13, 1984 from the Director of Budget and Data Services giving his recommendations regarding the Board of Education budgetary modification request of July 17, 1984. There was unanimous agreement by the Board to accept Mr. O'Dell's recommendations as presented.

Bond Sale/Competitive Versus Negotiated

Memorandum dated August 15, 1984 relative to the County's General Obligation Bond Sale in New York was discussed. On September 6 and 7, 1984 the rating agency review is scheduled with Standard and Poors and Moody's in New York. Commissioner Aud will be joining county staff to the bond sale. Commissioner Aud moved, seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve competitive sale bids. Motion carried.

St. Mary's College/St. Mary's City  
Route 5 By-Pass Task Force

Commissioner Aud moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre, to include Senator C. Bernard Fowler to the referenced Task Force. Motion unanimously carried.

Board of County Commissioners' Support  
on Behalf of Child Abuse Programs

The County Administrator referred to a speech presented by Governor Hughes during the MACo. conference in Ocean City regarding child abuse and sexual assault involving children. At that time Governor Hughes announced a statewide initiative to better understand and to resolve the deteriorating efforts on our youth caused by child abuse and sexual assault. The County Commissioners applauded his efforts and decided to be among the first of Maryland's jurisdictions to join with with him in the fight against this horrible condition. A statement to the effect of cooperating with statewide initiatives and to establish a local programs was forwarded to the press.

Road Name Change from Coleman Road  
To Parlett/Morgan Road

Correspondence dated August 16, 1984 was presented regarding the road name change from Coleman Road to Parlett/Morgan Road. There was unanimous agreement that the County Engineer initiate the correct process and follow the standard procedure for the change.

Budget Amendment 85-11  
Planning and Zoning

There was unanimous agreement to approve Budget Amendment 85-11 from Planning and Zoning to reorganize funding elements concerning stormwater management grant and county budget based on state approval of funds.

Increase account 001-028-514-41-11	\$4,500 (Regular salaries)
Decrease account 001-028-514-41-06	1,000 (Supplies & Materials)
001-028-514-41-35	2,500 )Fuel & Oil)
001-028-514-41-36	1,000 (Vehicle Maintenance)

Referendum Certification to  
Board of Supervisors of Elections

The County Administrator presented correspondence for the President Aud's signature addressed to the President of the Board of Supervisors of Elections pursuant to Section 23-1, Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland relative to a referendum of the voters of St. Mary's County required by House Bill 551 of the 1985 Maryland Referendum entitled "An act for the purpose of removing the restriction prohibiting the St. Mary's County Commissioners from serving more than three consecutive terms of office." Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold authorizing President Aud to sign the correspondence. Motion carried.

COUNTY ENGINEER'S ITEMS

Country Lakes Subdivision  
Guard Rail Completion

There was unanimous agreement given to the request of the County Engineer that the county accept the funds from the developer of Section 1, Asher Road in the Country Lakes Subdivision in order to install the guard rails in that section.

St. Inigoes Landing, Section 2  
Irrevocable Letter of Credit

Mr. Norris advised the Board that the irrevocable letter of credit expired on July 28, 1984 and the applicant was in the process of preparing a reduction in the irrevocable letter of credit if the replacement letter of credit was not received by August 28 1984. Commissioner Sayre moved seconded by Commissioner Arnold to accept the County Engineer's recommendation. Motion carried.

Travelers Indemnity Company  
Rider Change

There was unanimous agreement by the Board authorizing President Aud to sign the Change Rider to add the following as obligees on the Travelers Indemnity Company corporate travelers bond: J. Lawrence Millison, Community Development Administration, Maryland Housing Fund, on behalf of St. Mary's Oxford Associated Limited Partnership in favor of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, Maryland.

Grading Agreement between  
Davis Corporation and St. Mary's County  
for Minitec Corporation

Commissioner Sayre moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold to approve the grading agreement as presented by the County Engineer between the Davis Corporation and St. Mary's County regarding Minitec as stipulated in Natural Resources Article, Section 8-1103C6 of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Motion carried.

Addendum to Public Works Agreement for  
Wildewood, Section III, Cluster II, Holly Hills

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold authorizing President Aud to sign the Addendum to the Public Works agreement replacement letter of credit in the amount of \$8,000. Motion carried.

Resolution Approval for Adoption of  
John H.T. Briscoe Road

Commissioner Sayre moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold approving the Resolution adopting John H.T. Briscoe Road.

St. Mary's County Airport Grant

Commissioner Dean moved, seconded by Commissioner Sayre to approve the grant application to the Department of Transportation/Federal Aviation Administration for funds to complete land acquisition easements, obstruction removal, and widen and extend the runway safety area at the St. Mary's County Airport. Motion carried.

Request for Establishment of Goals for  
Minority Business Enterprise and Womens  
Business Enterprise in St. Mary's County

There was unanimous agreement to the County Engineer's request that the establishment of goals in St. Mary's County for the Minority Business Enterprise and the Womens Business Enterprise be zero because of the difficulty in meeting the necessary percentage quota at times in order to complete a project.

Beachville Road Project

The County Engineer advised the Board that due to the inability to replace the engineering position vacated by Glenn Gass authority was requested to contract with D.H. Steffens Company in the amount not to exceed \$6,000 the design for that project on Beachville Road so that the county could proceed with obtaining the right-of-way this fall. The Board gave unanimous agreement to Mr. Norris' request.

Town Creek Drive

Mr. Norris advised the Board that Met Com agreed to issue a \$14,000 purchase order to Arundel Asphalt in order to correct the immediate safety problems that exist on Town Creek Drive. The contract will be for removing 200 feet of the east bound lane on Town Creek Drive to correct settlement of the sewer line. The estimated cost is \$40,000; all expenses are to be borne by Met Com.

Sallyport, Fence Extension and Air Conditioning  
Request by Sheriff's Department

The County Engineer presented a request from Sheriff Pettit for a sallyport and fence extension at the jail area. Mr. Norris requested authority for the firm of D. Brooks Cross to conduct a study to solve the ventilation and air conditioning problems at the jail in the amount of \$1,000. The amount of \$3,000 would be required for the sallyport and fence extension. There was unanimous agreement by the Board for the County Engineer to meet with the Director of Budget and Data Services in order to determine a source of funds for the requested project.

Maintenance Contract for  
Painting and Wallpapering

There was unanimous agreement by the Board to allow the County Engineer to initiate the process for hiring a maintenance person to assist with painting and wallpapering within the County Government. Funds will be available from painting contract funds.

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING

Present: Frank Gerred, Director, OPZ  
Cindy Wettengel, Intern w/ OPZ

(1) MOBILE HOME STATUS REPORT

Initially \$38,000 was in arrears for the mobile home fees payable to the County. Mr. Gerred informed the Board that at the present time two mobile home parks had outstanding fees--one in the amount of \$2,000; one in the amount of \$7,300. He then asked direction from the Board for collection of those outstanding amounts. Mr. Gerred was advised to continue to hold the licenses for those mobile home park owners and seek the opinion of the County Attorney for collection of the balance.

(2) JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION/COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING

Mr. Gerred informed the Board that Mr. Oliver Guyther had requested a joint Planning Commission and County Commissioner meeting on September 10, 1984 regarding Harkins Associates, Inc. in order to meet an Oct. 1 deadline for two Farmer Home projects.

(3) INNOVATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE SEPTIC SYSTEM  
GRANT PROGRAM REGULATIONS

Mr. Gerred presented the above-referenced regulations for the County Commissioners' review.

4) CRITICAL AREA PLAN

Ms. Wettengel demonstrated a chart depicting the amount of erosion to the St. Mary's County shoreline since 1889. It was estimated that at least \$9,000 per year in taxes is lost to erosion. Mr. Gerred recommended that the Board ask the Delegates to seek a better state erosion program.

5) FAST TRACK PROJECT REQUEST  
PARAGON BUILDERS, INC.

In reference to correspondence dated August 20, 1984 from Paragon Builders, Inc., the Board gave unanimous concurrence to "fast track" a contracting project associated with Patuxent River, NAS.

6) RESOLUTION FOR "FAST TRACK" AUTHORIZATION

Mr. Gerred presented a Resolution for the Board's approval in order to standardize "fast track" procedures. The item was tabled until the next Commissioners' meeting for more discussion.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY PROCLAMATION

Present: Jack Witten

Commissioner Dean presented a Proclamation on behalf of the Board in support of Muscular Dystrophy Weekend of September 1, 2 and 3 which begins the Jerry Lewis Telethon.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE UPDATE

Present: Dr. John M. Sine, President, Charles Co. Community College  
Ed Forsman, Chairman, Community College Advisory Board

Mr. Forsman presented the facilities update and stated that over 1,000 students are expected for enrollment this fall. 4% of the students are full time; 96% part-time; with a 60-40 ratio in favor of women.

Dr. Sine noted that there were no negative values given the Community College in the accreditation report.

Mr. Forsman informed the Board that Mr. Ed Cole has established an ad hoc committee in order to respond to the Commissioners' inquiries regarding high technological training through the community college for this area. He added that the interim report is expected to be completed this fall; the final report to be completed by spring 1985.

Dr. Sine stated that the college is healthy, strong and growing.

Ms. Priscilla Helms was introduced to the Board as the new Director of the College at St. Mary's.

MORTGAGE PURCHASE PROGRAM  
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Present: Joseph Mitchell, Director, Economic & Community Development  
David Morgan, Economic Development Coordinator

Mortgage Loan Amount Increase

There was unanimous agreement by the Board permitting the increase of mortgage loans to the amount of \$66,400 as requested by Mr. Mitchell.

Statement of Policy Guiding the Economic Development  
of St. Mary's County

Mr. Morgan presented a statement for the Board's approval regarding objectives established in order to accomplish the goals of raising the standard of living and quality of life in St. Mary's County in the following areas:

1. Public-Private Corporation
2. Defense Industry Growth
3. Business Expansion
4. Investment Promotion
5. Tourism Development
6. Labor Force Training
7. Community Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

The Commissioners agreed to take the matter under advisement.

REBECCA BONNER - SPRING VALLEY  
DEVELOPMENT - INCOMPLETION

Present: Rebecca Bonner, Property Owner  
Al Lacer, Attorney  
John B. Norris, County Engineer  
Frank Gerred, Director, Office of Planning & Zoning  
Larry Petty, Director, Metropolitan Commission  
Steve King, Assistant Director, Metropolitan Commission

Mr. Lacer, representing Mrs. Rebecca Bonner, brought to the Board's attention a condition which has impacted Mrs. Bonner's property in Spring Valley. The impact includes flooding, sewer line blockage, damage to swimming pool, and safety hazards being caused in connection with the installation of drainage pipes to service the Valley Drive Overlook townhouses and other adjacent property. Mr. Lacer indicated that the matter has been going on for over a year and that the developer and/or contractor has not diligently pursued the completion of the construction. He requested the Commissioners' assistance in seeing that the developer property completed the work.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the responsibilities for the completion of the development. There was unanimous agreement by the Board that the proper county agencies would make sure the developer completes the project in conformance with sedimentation and safety regulations. Any damages which have occurred may be pursued by Mrs. Bonner as a civil matter with the developer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Aud moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnold, to go into Executive Session for the consideration of appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions. Motion carried. The Board of County Commissioners and the County Administrator were present. The meeting began at 12:48 p.m. and concluded at 1:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Approved,



George R. Aud  
President