June 24, 1968

Present: F. Elliott Burch
George R. Aud
David Williams

County Extension Service

Mr. Benjamin Smith introduced Mr. Joseph W. Trumbauer, who is replacing Mr. William Gaiser with the extension service office.

Mr. Smith mentioned briefly the committee his agency is attempting to form for program development in the extension work, and he asked Mr. Burch if he would be willing to serve on the committee which will comprise approximately 20 people. The purpose of the committee will be to develop guidelines for programs that are needed in the county, and attempt to put them into effect. They will meet approximately four times per year. Their aim is to have the central committee appoint subcommittees for a specific program and the latter will make recommendations to the former.

Mr. Smith stated that there was nothing his department could do so far as the property is concerned that was bought for a sanitary fill in the Sandgates area. Mr. Burch explained that there is a possibility that the fill would be moved deeper into the 200 acres that was purchased.

Coin Machines

Mr. J. Weiner informed the Commissioners that under the law, if the slots go, the machines will have to be confiscated. The law states that the Commissioners may require that the machines be stored and the Commissioners would have complete control of them until such time as they are disposed of. Unless the Commissioners adopt a resolution, Mr. Weiner says he does not know what the operators will do with the machines, as the law states they must be removed from the premises. He feels that the Commissioners can authorize the operators to store them off the premises, and that would be out of the business establishments and out of view. He stated that the Commissioners have the authority to direct that the operators store the machines. It is his feeling that if the machines are stored and made inoperative, this would be alright. Mr. Burch said that he felt that if the county is going to handle it, the machines should be stored in one central location, and the owners should carry fire insurance on them, and Mr. Weiner agreed. The latter mentioned that if the pending case to place the slots on referendum is passed, there will be no need for a resolution from the Commissioners. If it is necessary to have the resolution, Mr. Weiner suggested that the Commissioners issue a simple one stating that they are going to issue provisions for storing the machines and details will be forthcoming within a few days. Mr. Weiner and Mr. Williams both agreed that the machine would be under the authority of the Commissioners and the owners would not have

access to them for any reason, but the latter would be responsible for the insurance. If the Commissioners do not do anything, the owners will be under criminal penalty if they do not get rid of the machines by July 1.

Mr. Burch informed Mr. Weiner that this will have to be discussed with Mr. Bowles, as this is a decision that the full board will have to make.

Civil Defense

Gen. R. E. Hogaboom informed the Commissioners that there were no bids for the landscaping at the Lexington Park Library. There are two phases to the work; concrete work and the actual landscaping, and the two phases can be negotiated. He feels that the concrete work can be done for less than \$3,000, and there was \$7,000 originally appropriated for the landscaping. Gen. Hogaboom asked permission to proceed with negotiating for the work to be done, with a contractor for the concrete portion and a nursery for the landscaping. The Commissioners agreed that he should do this.

St. Mary's City Commission

Gen. R. E. Hogaboom reported they are filing an application to Housing and Urban Development for open spaces land, and are asking for matching funds for 66.4 acres in St. Mary's City. At the present time, they only have approximately three acres, that the State House is occupying. They do have \$60,000 that the state has appropriated for the acquisition of additional land around the State House. Gen Hogaboom presented rough draft of a letter the Commissioners might send approving the project. After reviewing the letter, the Commissioners agreed that it should be sent as requested.

Board of Education

Dr. R. E. King, Mr. H. Dodson, and Mr. H. Kanowicz. Dr. King presented a letter received from Mr. T. J. Smith, Supervisor of State Aid, State Department of Education, regarding state aid estimates. The state share of operating expenses for the fiscal year will be \$333,000.

Dr. King presented priority schedules, with breakdown of each school's requirements as listed, over a six year projected period, and a list of the total construction program. He stated they would like to continue with the Park Hall Middle School and are asking for a decision from the Commissioners in this respect as soon as possible, as construction will cause additional delay. On the money for pupils housed, Mr. Kanowicz said this would be available immediately if the Commissioners approve any of the projects.

Mr. Burch stated that the Commissioners cannot provide any money out of local funds and must find out how much money is going to be available from the state. Mr. Donaldson is attending a meeting

in Annapolis today on this very matter. Mr. Dodson asked about getting some funds for the planning costs on the Piney Point Elementary School addition, as they will need approximately \$12 - 13,000. The Commissioners will consider this request and advise Dr. King of their decision.

Dr. King said that the preliminaries on the Park Hall School have been approved and they are in the midst of plans for this now. They have not received a performance bond from Mr. Humphries, and Mr. Wigginton has said that there is no legal complication here, especially if the specifications say that the bond was to be presented with the bid. However, they are looking into this before granting the bid to Mr. Baroniak.

Roads

Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo. It was reported to the Commissioners that Mr. A. Loker, representing Mr. Lee Wilson, Lexington Park, is requesting that the broken curbing fronting the new Foodliner Store be repaired, and that the "no parking" restriction be removed from the area fronting the Singer Store on Coral Drive. General discussion, and Mr. Bond said that it is not the county's responsibility to repair the broken curb, as the right of way does not include this. So far as the no parking restriction on Coral Drive, this might have been done at the request of the fire department and this will have to be investigated.

Mr. Bond and Mr. Pantaleo will check St. Andrews Estates to see if the work on a part of Park View Drive has been done, as this road has not been accepted pending this action.

Mr. Bond reported that the drainage problem at Yost's has been corrected as discussed last week. Also said he will move "not a through road" sign up further on the Millstone Landing Road, to alleviate problem of cars turning around in the Rue driveway.

Mr. Burch mentioned that he and Mr. Aud talked with Mr. Bennett about the land being considered for a fill in the 3rd District, and Mr. Bennett said that if Mr. Pantaleo will bring the paper down, he will get his brother to sign it.

Mr. Bond said they are getting the application in now to begin the oiling, and asked how the Commissioners would pay for this. He was told that Mr. Donaldson will have to be asked about this. Mr. Bond said he will go ahead and send the Form 30 for the oiling schedule to the Baltimore office. Mr. Bond further stated that approximately \$30 - 35,000 last month and about \$7,000 this month, was spent for maintenance. According to his figures, \$54,000 was spent during April, but the Baltimore office states that \$64,000 was spent, but Mr. Bond does not feel this is correct.

Foreign Trade Zone Project

Julius S. Finnacom, Mary L. Jansson, Holdger Jansson, Dudley A. Lindsley, Richard A. Myers, G. Edward Thomas, Jerry M. Colvin, David Sayre, Francis Russell, Bjorn Egeli, Homer Dodge, Kitty Barnes, et al. Mr. V. Cherbonnier, representing the group, read a petition containing approximately 200 signatures against establishment of the proposed project. A Mr. Fisher stated that the residents have organized, and he read the certificate of issuance, dated June 22, 1968, and after all the signatures are affixed, the Commissioners will be furnished with a copy of this document. Also read letter from the Maryland Port Authority to Mr. Barnes, a copy of which was sent to the Commissioners, stating that the Commissioners have granted assurances of approval of the project, and they would like to know what assurances have been received from the Commissioners. Mr. Burch explained that the Commissioners have given conditional approval of the project, requiring approval of every local agency and many state agencies. So far as the refinery would be concerned, Steuart does not need anyone's approval for this, and they can construct what he understands is to be a topping plant. As for the Foreign Trade Zone this will require approval from the Commerce Department. This application may have been made but the Commissioners have nothing in writing to verify this.

General discussion concerning the project, and Mr. Burch pointed out that the project is limited to the 260 acres that Steuart owns. He further stated that this project comes very highly by the State Economic Development Committee which has been working very hard to bring small industry to the county. The state agencies have assured the Commissioners that this type thing can be controled.

Waterway Improvements - Quade

The Commissioners approved expenditure of \$300 to extend the bulk-head built on George Quade's property at Bushwood, for a distance of 16'. Mr. Pantaleo was instructed to write to Mr. Quade for permission to build the extension and also for the bulkhead that will be built in the future.

Safe Boating Proclamation

The Commissioners approved and signed subject document declaring June 30 through July 6th as safe boating week.

Civil Defense Building

The Commissioners reviewed copy of letter to Bacon & Passarelli from Mr. Tilp, dated June 17, 1968, listing defects the latter had found in the building when last inspected.

Board of Education - Sewer Lines

The Commissioners approved payment of \$2,078.85 to be paid to Carl M. Loffler for materials, equipment and labor to install

sewer lines from the existing line to the new sanitary district lines. This money is to be taken from the Great Mills High School Construction Contingency Fund.

Civil Defense

The Commissioners approved transfer of \$3,000 of the unused portion of this budget to the fiscal 1969 budget, under miscellaneous, for electric bills of \$75.00 per month for the new building. Mr. Wood states in a letter dated June 19th, that cost for this service was under estimated and they are requesting the above action for this reason.

The Commissioners approved payment of \$175 for metal enclosure around the water closet in the men's room in the new building to be installed by Smith Plumbing.

Petition for Fees

Approved payment of fees as follows: Briscoe & Kenney - \$50, #15434 and 15407, and 15567, approved by Judge Briscoe. V. Cherbonnier - \$150 each, #4043 and 4044, Court Order signed by Judge P. G. Bowen, Jr.

McCrone

Approved payment of \$4.00 to this firm for plats of Piney Point ramp project, approved by Mr. Pantaleo.

Library Landscaping

Approved payment of \$425 to Frank A. Kimple for Landscape Development Plan for the Lexington Park Library.

Sheriff's Expense

Approved payment of \$72.17, expenses incurred by sheriff attending Maryland State Sheriffs Association meeting June 7, 8 and 9 in Ocean City.

Calvert County

Approved payment of court costs in case of Schaller vs. St. Mary's Hospital, #1861 (St. Mary's 3621), said case being transferred to Calvert County for trial.

Lane Penncarva

Approved payment of \$1,218.64 for pipe installed at Shangri-La-Drive, approved by Mr. Pantaleo.

Charles County

Approved payment of \$70.00, courttcosts, for Criminal #2916, tried in said county.

Asst. St. Attorney

Approved payment of \$47.90 to Mr. David Williams for expenses incurred attending the Maryland States Attorney Association Summer Convention.

Pratt Marine Construction Company

The Commissioners approved payment of \$1,329.03 to Pratt Marine Construction Company, and Southern Maryland Wood Treating Company, Inc., estimate #3 of the construction contract for the Bushwood ramp, bulkhead and dredging project. Also approved payment to Pratt Marine Construction Company in the amount of \$2,000 for estimate #2 on said project. Both of these payments approved by Mr. Pantaleo.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Approved,

F. Elliott Burch

President