

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City was held in the Municipal Building on Tuesday evening, January 2nd, 1962, at 7:30 o'clock.

Mayor Cropper and Councilmen Harman, Jackson, Kelley, McCabe and Showell were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Council, Harry W. Kelley.

The minutes of the meeting of December 12th, 1961, were read and approved.

Mr. Omar Todd came in to wish the Mayor and members of the Council, a Happy New Year.

Mr. M. James Brown came to this meeting with reference to a building permit to construct an office in his apartment at 18th street and Baltimore Ave. This was approved.

Mr. Robert Scott was present and he suggested that the Mayor and Council pass an ordinance similar to the one that Cambridge has just passed and about which an article had been written in the Salisbury times controlling dogs and requiring licenses therefor. It was thought that some sort of ordinance would be well worth its consideration, however, the problem of what to do with the dogs was the main concern. Mr. McCabe and Mr. Jackson were appointed by Mr. Kelley to look into this and to come up with their suggestions on an ordinance.

Mr. C. E. Mumford, Jr. of Berlin came to this meeting with reference to employment as City Engineer. He asked what qualifications were needed. When he was told that the engineer should be licensed in the state of Maryland, he stated that he could not qualify.

Mr. Charles Jenkins came to this meeting with reference to zoning between 29th and 32nd streets on the west side of Philadelphia Ave. He asked that the area be zoned for commercial approximately 500 ft. west of Philadelphia Ave. He showed a plat of the land and indicated the area that he wished to be re-zoned. A motion was made by Harman, seconded by McCabe, that that area be re-zoned in accordance with Mr. Jenkins' request.

Clerk advised that Mr. Drennan and Mr. Allen of the State Aviation Commission wished to meet with them here next Tuesday evening. They asked that Mr. Blackwell also be invited to attend this meeting.

Mr. Marcus J. Williams was re-appointed City Solicitor for the year 1962.

Clerk read the following letter that had been re-drafted in accordance with the wishes of the Synepuxent Pier and Improvement Co.

Mr. Showell stated that he felt that the valuation of the pier property should be established at this time rather than wait until 1979 when it would be possible to purchase it as the land would probably be considered in the purchase and the purchase would be prohibitive. It was the idea of others that a board would have to be appointed in order to negotiate this and that they would at that time go into the valuation of the property.

Mr. McCabe stated that he felt that the Synepuxent Pier and Improvement Company should furnish definite plans and specification of what they intended to do rather than the architect's drawing that has been presented. It was pointed out that they are to submit plans for approval before proceeding.

On motion by Jackson, seconded by Harman, the letter as prepared was approved with Mr. Showell and Mr. McCabe protesting votes.

A copy of this letter is incorporated herein.

A beer, wine and liquor license for the Irish House was approved.

A letter from the New York Mirror was read with reference to a prize vacation to be awarded to the person catching the heaviest fish on a specific day. The day to be decided upon will be known as Ocean City, Maryland Day at the Trout Stream. A hotel donates a weeks vacation for tow. In excahange for the vacation, they would receive publicity in connection with the prize vacation. Mr. Showell stated that he would give the prize vacation at the Castle in the Sand and Mr. Harman stated that he would give them meals at the Sea Scape.

A letter from George, Miles and Buhr to the County Commissioners with reference to proposed engineering for the design and construction of a joint sewerage system to serve Ocean City and the County area northward to 100th st was read by the clerk.

A copy of this letter is incorporated herein.

On motion by McCabe, seconded by Harman, the acceptance of this proposal was approved. Motion carried and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by McCabe, seconded by Harman, that George Bert. Cropper be paid for the fill that he has used in the median strip on Baltimore Ave. that has been withheld. It was pointed out that in the future definite specifications shall determine whether or not the necessary fill is to be furnished by the Contractor or the City.

Clerk stated that he had obtained prices on a generator to take care of the fire siren and office building in case of emergency and that a 30KW generator was quoted at \$2,340.00. This was brought up as a suggestion inasmuch as a salesman was here recently and the prices had been obtained for consideration. It was decided that no action will be taken on this at this time.

A letter from the Worcester County Bingo Board revealed that the gross receipts from operating bingo in Ocean City up to and including the month of November totaled \$115,142.77. The amount that is to be received by the city is 1%, or \$1,151.42.

A letter from R. Crawford Holland asked that he be allowed to blacktop a portion of 33rd Street as he understood from an opinion by Harry Cropper that half the road was Sandpiper property. Approval for this was given with the understanding that permission to blacktop the portion of the street does not release the town from its title therein as the street is designated on the Symepuxent Beach Company plat.

A letter from the North Ocean City Improvement Association to the County Commissioners was read by the clerk. This letter asked for a hearing before the Commissioners concerning a Cooperative Beach Erosion Study in conjunction with the U. S. Army Engineer Baltimore District covering the Worcester County ocean beach erosion problem.

The Clerk was asked to write to Congressman Johnson with reference to obtaining a generator through government channels.

Building permits for the following were approved:

James E. English - 10 family apt. on 9th Street.
 Christian L. Ritter - one family residence on Bayshore Dr.
 Mrs. Lois Baldwin - 6 apts. on St. Louis Ave.
 Jelar Corp - Addition to store at corner of Boardwalk and Dorchester St.
 H. Richard Worman - Motel and swimming pool on the east side of Baltp. Ave. between 20th and 21st streets.

Mayor Cropper reported on the progress of the Boys' Club and stated that there were 125 members and an average attendance of from 30 to 40 each evening. He also stated that he had received very good comments concerning this.

Mr. McCabe stated that several persons had asked him about the progress of cable television and stated that some that he had talked with thought that it would be well worth using taxpayers' money in order to provide this improved television reception. It was brought out by some of the members of the council that the Chamber of Commerce was following this though with Adler Electronics and that they thought that WTOP in Washington was interested.

Mr. McCabe was asked to contact Mr. Russell Cullen in regards to this.

Mr. McCabe stated that he had learned that Birmingham, Alabama, has an ordinance enabling them to impound cars on private property and that he had asked for a copy of their ordinance which he expected to received in the near future.

Mr. McCabe also stated that he had learned that Birmingham pays their Engineer \$13,000. per annum and that he has a staff of around 27 persons under him. He stated that he did not feel that Ocean City should contemplate any salary approximating this.

Mr. Harman stated that he didn't feel that it would be necessary to have a registered engineer and stated that he felt that someone like "Tuffy" Mumford would be adequate.

Mr. Harman stated that he understood that Bob Jackson had been asked to look into locations for public rest rooms along the beach. The Mayor stated that we didn't have any money for this purpose at this time.

Mr. Jackson stated that Chief Phillips had talked with him with reference to including liability insurance under our general liability policy and the clerk was asked to contact the company with reference to this.

On motion by Harman, seconded by Jackson, the following vouchers were approved for payment:

Checks written since last council meeting and signed by Mayor or member of the Council.

#31362	- Dr. Frank R. Lewis - Refun on taxes- change in assessment	16.49
#31363	- Pay roll week ending 12/14/61	2,167.42
#31364	- Vernon J. Phillips - To reimburse petty cash	161.45
#31365	- Victor Lynn Lines, Inc. - Freight on amusement games for Boys' Club	10.33
#31366	- Charles Clark - Carpentry - bath at firehouse	40.50
#31367	- Leroy Cropper - ditto	36.00
#31368	- Arthur Pitts ditto	29.70
#31369	- Douglas O. Watson - Expenses attending K9 School	100.00
#31370	- Maryland Municipal League - Annual membership dues	56.25
#31371	- Paul's Cleaners - Police uniforms cleaned and pressed Sept. and Oct.	188.50
#31372	- Russell Uniform Co. - Emblems for Police	36.26
#31373	- Hubert R. White Hdwe. Co. - 20d and 40d nails	44.95
#31374	- Sam Baker and Son - Service calls	11.90
#31375	- Artcfaft Elec. Supply Co. - Part for traffic signal and lamps for Xmas lighting	67.48
#31376	- Eastern Shore Public Service Co. - Municipal light and power, traffic lights and street lighting	1,518.01
#31377	- Texaco, Inc. - Gasoline	177.46
#31378	- Raymond Wilson - Work on brakes and generator	11.13
#31379	- David H. Pierce - Payroll advance	40.00
#31380	- Bank of Ocean City - Bonds redeemable and coupon interest payable - Water & Improvement Bonds of 1956	11,915.30
#31381	- Baltimore Trust Co. - annual payment of Charles A. Holland mortgage	4,000.00
#31382	- Pay roll week ending 12/21/61	2,587.83
#31383	- Douglas O. Watson - Expenses attending K9 school	100.00
#31384	- Delaware Power & Light Co. - Current - sign near Seaford	15.92
#31385	- Eastern Shore Public Service Co. - Xmas lights and fire siren on Golf Course Rd.	30.09
#31386	- R. D. Wood Co. - 6" Valve	65.67
#31387	- Alan S. Quillin - Repairs to traffic light, fire alarm, wiring for new bath in Firehouse and Xmas lights	184.27
#31388	- Paul D. Williams - Batteries for Intercoms	9.63
#31389	- Salisbury Battery Co. - Points, etc. and labor on magneto	6.75
#31390	- Mailers Equipment Co., Inc. - Adressograph, etc.	735.55
#31391	- T. L. Ruark Co. - Dog food	33.91
#31392	- Kline's Heating Oil Service - Fuel oil for Firehouse & Office	95.58
#31393	- The J. F. W. Dorman Co., Inc. - Shields for Police	30.93
#31394	- Scott and Wimbrow - Using roller at airport	75.00
#31395	- Victor Lynn Lines, Inc. - Freight on game for Boys' Club	5.64
#31396	- Maryland Municipal League - Group insurance premium	512.66
#31397	- Pay roll week ending 12/28/61	2,202.65
#31398	- Douglas O. Watson - Expenses attending K9 school	100.00
#31399	- Masten Transportatïon, Inc. - Freight on addressograph, etc.	23.44

Checks presented for approval at meeting of Mayor and City Council
January 2, 1962:

#31400 - Employees' Retirement System - Employee and Employer contribution for December	609.60
#31401 - District Director of Internal Revenue - Federal W/H for month of December	957.20
#31402 - Comptroller of the Treasury - State w/h for quarter ended 1/21 12/31/61	265.80
#31403 - Calvin B. Quillin - Ambulance trips to Salisbury and Baltimore, etc. for last quarter of 1961	65.00
#31404 - McCabe's Sinclair Service - December statement	58.77
#31405 - Dixie Sign Co., Inc. - Rental of signs 1/1/62 to 2/1/62	619.55
#31406 - Elliott's Hardware - December statement	119.73
#31407 - Kline's Heating Oil Service - Fuel oil Office and Fire-house	51.51
#31408 - Cropper & Brittingham, Inc. - December statement	230.41
#31409 - Southern Oxygen Co. - Demurrage on clylinders	2.40
#31410 - Milton E. Moore - Premium on Firemen policy	394.45
#31411 - Koppers Co., Inc. - 1100 pcs. 2x6-16 - (1961 CAPITAL FUND)	2,904.00
#31412 - Eastern Shore Public Service Co. - Sign on dual h'way near Stephen Decatur	16.22
#31413 - Ocean City Machine Works - December statement	398.38
#31414 - Benedict the Florist - Spray for Bailey funeral	15.45
#31415 - J. J. Rayne & Son - Batteries	12.00

Pay Roll week ending 12/28/61

Less Social Security
Less Federal W/H
Less State W/H
Net

\$2,539.24
68.43
247.30
20.86
\$2,202.65

Wages on weekly basis \$1,998.47
Wages on hourly basis 540.77 \$2,539.24

Distribution of Weekly Wages:

10.141 Clerks 233.47
10.811 Municipal Buildings 115.00
11.111 Police 1,320.00
12.901 Boardwalk 137.50
13.201 Sewers 85.00
20.201 Water 107.50 1,998.47

Distribution of Hourly Wages:

10.811 Municipal Buildings 59.40
11.111 Police Dept. 46.51
11.212 Fire Dept. 33.38
12.201 Streets 63.22
12.901 Boardwalk 125.80
13.201 Sewers 26.94
13.401 Waste Collection 137.45
201201 Water 48.07 540.77
\$2,539.24

Pay Roll week ending 12/21/61

Less Social Security
Less Federal W/H
Less State W/H
Net

\$2,922.89
69.74
244.50
20.82
\$2,587.83

Wages on monthly basis \$ 60.00
Wages on weekly basis 2,093.90
Wages on hourly basis 768.99 \$2,922.89

Distribution of Monthly wages

10.131 Mayor and Council 60.00

Distribution of weekly wages:

10.141 Clerks 253.47
10.811 Municipal Buildings 135.00
10.911 Advertising 20.00
11.111 Police 1,315.43
12.901 Boardwalk 141.24
13.201 Sewers 95.00
13.301 Beach Cleaning 10.00
20.201 Water 123.76 2,093.90

Distribution of hourly wages:

10.142F Clerk's Auto 2.60
10.811 Municipal Buildings 84.15
10.911 Advertising 3.85
11.111 Police Dept. 55.25
11.212 Fire Dept. 56.50
12.201 Streets 66.30
12.901 Boardwalk 232.30
13.201 Sewers 37.74
13.301 Beach Cleaning 10.00
13.401 Waste Collection 178.15
20.201 Water 42.15 768.99
\$2,922.89

Pay Roll week ending 12/14/61		\$2,480.91
	Less Social Security	66.66
	Less Federal W/H	228.20
	Less State W/H	18.63
	Net	<u>\$2,167.42</u>

Weekly Wages	\$1828.47	
Hourly Wages	<u>652.44</u>	\$2,480.91

Distribution of Weekly Wages:

10.141 Clerks	233.47	
10.811 Municipal Buildings	115.00	
11.111 Police	1,150.00	
12.901 Boardwalk	125.00	
13.201 Sewers	85.00	
20.201 Water	<u>120.00</u>	\$1,828.47

Distribution of Hourly Wages:

10.811 Municipal Buildings	67.85	
10.911 Christmas Lighting	24.45	
11.111 Police Dept.	23.40	
11.212 Fire Dept.	39.00	
12.201 Streets	16.85	
12.901 Boardwalk	207.40	
13.201 Sewers	90.40	
13.401 Waste Collection	152.09	
20.201 Water	19.45	
20.901 Trailer Lot	3.85	
20.931 Airport	<u>7.70</u>	\$ 652.44
		\$2,480.91

Mr. Kelley stated that he felt that some sort of retirement plan should be investigated for employees of the town and the clerk was asked to get information on this.

Mr. Kelley asked clerk to get sizes of rooms in order for him to contact someone with reference to airconditioning units.

Mr. Kelley stated that he had interviewed Mr. Robert B. Russ, applicant for the position of City Engineer. He stated that he had liked him and thought that he was interested in the job. It was brought out that a salary of \$8500.00 per year had been agreed upon. A motion was made by Harman, seconded by Jackson, that Mr. Russ be employed at a salary of \$8400. per annum and that he be hired for a period of one year to determine whether or not he will be satisfactory.

The meeting adjourned on motion at 9:30 o'clock.

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January 2, 1962

Synepuxent Pier and Improvement Company
c/o Reese F. Cropper
Berlin, Maryland

Gentlemen:

This will amend and, it is hoped, clarify, the letter to you of November 29th.

At the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held on November 28, 1961, your organization was granted a permit to construct a fishing pier and amusement area, consisting of a miniature gold course and kiddie rides, in accordance with your plans presented to the meeting and your letter of November 27, 1961, subject to the following conditions:

1. You must leave an unobstructed right of way 22 feet in width at the eastlrly end of the existing concrete ramp.
2. You must leave an unobstructed right of way 22 feet in width east of the existing pier building.
3. No amplification of music, voices or other sounds will be permitted.
4. Permit must be obtained for each individual ride or amusement device from the Mayor and City Council prior to erection or installation, and the Mayor and City Council reserves the right to reject any application for rides or amusement device. For example, the Mayor and City Council will not permit dodgems, ferris wheels or merry-go-rounds in the amusement area, but permits will be granted for rides commonly known as kiddie rides.
5. Construction of the fishing pier must begin as soon after January 1, 1962, as possible, and prior to April 1, 1962.
6. No construction is to be performed during the period from June 15 to September 15 in any year during the construction of the structures covered by this permit.
7. Construction of the fishing pier shall be at least two-thirds completed before any construction may be commenced on the amusement area. All construction must be completed by May 30, 1963.
8. This construction shall be in accordance with plans presented and approved by the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City.

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A copy of this letter is enclosed, which may be used by you to indicate your approval of these conditions.

If you approve these conditions, it will be necessary for us to amend your franchise ordinance. We wish to emphasize that the amendment will provide for forfeiture of your franchise to operate the amusement area as a penalty for your failure to comply with these conditions.

Very truly yours,

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF
OCEAN CITY

T. Earl Pierce
Clerk

Contents of this letter accepted by us:

SYNEPUXENT PIER & IMPROVEMENT CO., INC.

Franklin S. Hastings, President

Reese F. Cropper, Vice-President-Treasurer

Hugh F. Wilde, Secretary

George, Miles & Buhr

July 25, 1961

SCHEDULE OF ENGINEERING FEES

**WORCESTER COUNTY--OCEAN CITY
Sewers and Treatment Plant**

Engineering cost to City & County \$23,000.00 each as follows:

For complete service, to include preliminary studies, general supervision of surveys, borings and hydrographic work, design, drawings and specifications, consultation on financing and contract award, general supervision of construction, testing.

Does not include cost of surveys, borings and hydrographic studies. Does not include full time field inspection.

A. Treatment Plant \$685,100 @ 6.2%	-	\$42,476.00
B. Sewers \$1,027,750 @ 4.9%	-	<u>\$50,360.00</u>
Total Engineering Fee		\$92,836.00
Less Credit for Preliminaries		<u>11,730.00</u>
Fee for Design & Construction		\$81,086.00
C. Of the total fee of \$92,836.00, approximately \$35,000.00 will be paid from Federal and State grants.		
Total Engineering Fee		\$92,836.00
Less Federal & State		<u>35,000.00</u>
Amount Required Locally		\$57,836.00
D. Of the \$57,836.00 required from local funds, \$11,730.00 has already been paid. The remaining balance would be:		
\$57,836.00 - \$11,730.00	-	\$46,086.00
E. If the balance of local funds required were divided 50-50 between City and County, the share to each would be:		
50% of \$46,086.00	-	\$23,043.00
		Say <u>\$23,000.00</u>

EXHIBIT - A

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December 22, 1961

The County Commissioners of Worcester County
Court House
Snow Hill, Md.

Att: Mr. Walter T. Onley, President

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request at a meeting held in your offices on December 18, 1961, we are pleased to submit herewith our proposal for the accomplishment of Engineering services for design and construction of a joint sewerage system to serve Ocean City and the County area northward to 100th Street - Components of this system and estimated costs thereof are as outlined in Supplement No. 1 to our Preliminary Report of March, 1961, and design of the system will be in accordance with Method 2 of said supplement.

Principal items of engineering services to be provided by this firm are outlined as follows:

- a. Preparation of forms for application for Federal and State grants-in-aid.
- b. Preparation of scope and specifications for survey work, sub-surface explorations and hydrographic work necessary as basis for design. Supervision of this work to insure satisfactory completion.
- c. Preparation of Contract Plans, Specifications and Construction Estimates and submittal thereof to State and Federal authorities for approval.
- d. Conferences with Commissioners and Mayor and Council as required for design, financing, bidding and award of construction contracts.
- e. Checking of shop drawings, certifying requisitions for payments to contractor, filing of periodic progress reports with State and Federal authorities, and administrative inspection and supervision of full-time field inspectors during construction.
- f. Final inspection of construction, certifying satisfactory completion of same. Submittal of "As Built" drawings. Assistance in plant "start-up".

Our fee for accomplishment of the aforementioned items will be in the amount of 6.2 percent of the actual construction cost of sewage treatment plant plus 4.9 percent of the actual construction cost of sewers. Attached hereto, and entitled "Exhibit A" are copies of "Schedule of Engineering Fees" dated July 25, 1961. You will note that, based on this tabulation and the estimated construction costs therein, the net cost of aforementioned engineering services, after receipt of Federal and State monies and allowing credit for preliminary fees already paid, is in the amount of \$23,000 each for County and City.

We have not included within the scope of our services the cost of field work involved in surveys, subsurface explorations and hydrographic studies, or the cost of full time field inspection. As per our conversations in your office on December 10, we believe field inspection, surveys and subsurface explorations onland can be largely accomplished by the County and City Engineering staffs. The remaining item, hydrographic studies, should be by firms specializing in this work. After Federal and State reimbursement for 50 percent of the cost of this work, we estimate costs to each of the City and County at \$7,000.00.

In summary, therefore, we estimate final net cost to each of the two participants for Engineering services and hydrographic studies at $\$23,000 + \$7,000 = \$30,000.00$.

Payment for Engineering services would be billed bi-monthly in an amount proportionate to work accomplished, up to a total of 50% of estimated fee. When construction bids were opened, the engineering fees received on account would be adjusted to 75% of the low bid, if no award is made, or to 75% of the bid award figure. The remaining 25% of fee would be billed bi-monthly in accordance with percentage of construction in-place and approved.

We trust that you will find this proposal satisfactory and that we may be favored with your acceptance thereof. We are prepared to begin the work immediately upon your authorization to proceed.

If this proposal meets with your approval, we would appreciate your executing same in the space below and returning one copy for our files.

As per your request, we are forwarding a copy of this proposal to the Mayor and Council of Ocean City.

Sincerely,

GEORGE, MILES & BUHR

Accepted for Commissioners
of Worcester County


By William B. Miles, Jr.

Dated _____