

TABLE OF DAYS BETWEEN TWO DATES. A TABLE OF THE NUMBER OF DAYS BETWEEN ANY TWO DAYS WITHIN TWO YEARS.

Day Mo.													Day Mo.												
	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sept.	October.	Nov.	Dec.		Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sept.	October.	Nov.	Dec.
1	1	32	60	91	121	152	182	213	244	274	305	335	1	366	397	425	456	486	517	547	578	609	639	670	
2	2	33	61	92	122	153	183	214	245	275	306	336	2	367	398	426	457	487	518	548	579	610	640	671	
3	3	34	62	93	123	154	184	215	246	276	307	337	3	368	399	427	458	488	519	549	580	611	641	672	
4	4	35	63	94	124	155	185	216	247	277	308	338	4	369	400	428	459	489	520	550	581	612	642	673	
5	5	36	64	95	125	156	186	217	248	278	309	339	5	370	401	429	460	490	521	551	582	613	643	674	
6	6	37	65	96	126	157	187	218	249	279	310	340	6	371	402	430	461	491	522	552	583	614	644	675	
7	7	38	66	97	127	158	188	219	250	280	311	341	7	372	403	431	462	492	523	553	584	615	645	676	
8	8	39	67	98	128	159	189	220	251	281	312	342	8	373	404	432	463	493	524	554	585	616	646	677	
9	9	40	68	99	129	160	190	221	252	282	313	343	9	374	405	433	464	494	525	555	586	617	647	678	
10	10	41	69	100	130	161	191	222	253	283	314	344	10	375	406	434	465	495	526	556	587	618	648	679	
11	11	42	70	101	131	162	192	223	254	284	315	345	11	376	407	435	466	496	527	557	588	619	649	680	
12	12	43	71	102	132	163	193	224	255	285	316	346	12	377	408	436	467	497	528	558	589	620	650	681	
13	13	44	72	103	133	164	194	225	256	286	317	347	13	378	409	437	468	498	529	559	590	621	651	682	
14	14	45	73	104	134	165	195	226	257	287	318	348	14	379	410	438	469	499	530	560	591	622	652	683	
15	15	46	74	105	135	166	196	227	258	288	319	349	15	380	411	439	470	500	531	561	592	623	653	684	
16	16	47	75	106	136	167	197	228	259	289	320	350	16	381	412	440	471	501	532	562	593	624	654	685	
17	17	48	76	107	137	168	198	229	260	290	321	351	17	382	413	441	472	502	533	563	594	625	655	686	
18	18	49	77	108	138	169	199	230	261	291	322	352	18	383	414	442	473	503	534	564	595	626	656	687	
19	19	50	78	109	139	170	200	231	262	292	323	353	19	384	415	443	474	504	535	565	596	627	657	688	
20	20	51	79	110	140	171	201	232	263	293	324	354	20	385	416	444	475	505	536	566	597	628	658	689	
21	21	52	80	111	141	172	202	233	264	294	325	355	21	386	417	445	476	506	537	567	598	629	659	690	
22	22	53	81	112	142	173	203	234	265	295	326	356	22	387	418	446	477	507	538	568	599	630	660	691	
23	23	54	82	113	143	174	204	235	266	296	327	357	23	388	419	447	478	508	539	569	600	631	661	692	
24	24	55	83	114	144	175	205	236	267	297	328	358	24	389	420	448	479	509	540	570	601	632	662	693	
25	25	56	84	115	145	176	206	237	268	298	329	359	25	390	421	449	480	510	541	571	602	633	663	694	
26	26	57	85	116	146	177	207	238	269	299	330	360	26	391	422	450	481	511	542	572	603	634	664	695	
27	27	58	86	117	147	178	208	239	270	300	331	361	27	392	423	451	482	512	543	573	604	635	665	696	
28	28	59	87	118	148	179	209	240	271	301	332	362	28	393	424	452	483	513	544	574	605	636	666	697	
29	29	59	88	119	149	180	210	241	272	302	333	363	29	394	425	453	484	514	545	575	606	637	667	698	
30	30	60	89	120	150	181	211	242	273	303	334	364	30	395	426	454	485	515	546	576	607	638	668	699	
31	31	60	90	121	151	182	212	243	274	304	335	365	31	396	427	455	486	516	547	577	608	639	669	700	

The above table applies to ordinary years only. For leap year, one day must be added to each number of days after February 28.
EXAMPLE.—To find the number of days between June 3, 1892, and February 16, 1893. The figures opposite the third day in the first June column are 154; those opposite the sixteenth day in the second February column are 412. Subtract the first from the second product—*i. e.*, 154 from 412, and the result is 258, the number of days between the two dates.

Weight per Bushel of Grain, Etc.

The following Table shows the number of pounds per bushel required, by the law or custom, in the sale of articles specified in the several States of the Union:—

STATES.	Barley.	Buckwheat.	Coal.	Corn, Shelled.	Corn Meal.	Onions.	Potatoes.	Rye.	Wheat.	Salt.	Turnips.	Beans, wh.	Clover S'd.	Timothy.	
Maine	48	48		56	50	52	30	60	60		50	64			
New Hampshire				56	50		30	60	56	60		60			
Vermont	48	48					32	60	56	60	70	64	60	42	
Massachusetts	48	48		56	50	52	32	60	56	60					
Connecticut		45		56			32	60	56	56					
New York	48	48		58			32	60	56	60		62	60	44	
New Jersey	48	50		58			30	60	56	60			64		
Pennsylvania	47	48		56			30	56	56	60	85		62		
Delaware				56					60						
Maryland	48	48		56		57	32	60	56	60	56	62	64	45	
Dist. Columbia	47	48		56	48	57	32	56	56	60	50	55	62	60	45
Virginia	48	48		56	50		32	60	56	60		55	60	64	45
West Virginia	48	52	80	56	48		32	60	56	60		60	60	60	45
North Carolina	48	50		54	46		30		56	60			64		
South Carolina	48	56	80	56	50	57	33	60	56	60	50		60	60	
Georgia		40	80	56	48	57	35	56	60	56			60	45	
Louisiana	32			56			32								
Arkansas	48	52	80	56	50	57	32	60	56	60	50		60	60	45
Tennessee	48	50		56	50	56	32	60	56	60			60	45	
Kentucky	48	52		56	50	57	33	56	56	60	50		60	60	45
Ohio	48	50		56			32	60	56	60			60	60	45
Michigan	48	48	80	56		54	32	60	56	60	56	58	60	60	45
Indiana	48	50	70	56	50	48	32	60	56	60	50		60	60	
Illinois	48	52		56	48	57	32	60	56	60	50		60	60	
Wisconsin	48	50		56			32	60	56	60			60		
Minnesota	48	42		56			32	60	56	60			60		
Iowa	48	52		56		57	33	60	56	60	50		60	60	45
Missouri	48	52		56		57	32	60	56	60	50		60	60	45
Kansas	50	50		56	50	57	32	60	56	60	50	55	60	45	
Nebraska	48	52		56	50	57	34	60	56	60	50	55	60	60	45
California	50	40		52			32		54	60					
Oregon	46	42		56			36	60	56	60			60		

Carrying Capacity of a Freight Car.

This Table is for Ten-Ton Cars.

Whiskey	60	barrels
Salt	70	"
Lime	70	"
Flour	90	"
Eggs	130 to 160	"
Flour	200	sacks
Wood	6	cords
Cattle	18 to 20	head
Hogs	50 to 60	"
Sheep	80 to 100	"
Lumber	6,000	feet
Barley	300	bushels
Wheat	340	"
Flax Seed	360	"
Apples	370	"
Corn	400	"
Potatoes	430	"
Oats	680	"
Bran	1,100	"
Butter	20,000	pounds

Short Method for Calculating Interest.

Multiply the principal by as many hundreds as there are days, and
 For 4 per cent. Divide by 90
 " 5 " " " " 72
 " 6 " " " " 60
 " 7 " " " " 52
 " 8 " " " " 45
 " 9 " " " " 40
 " 10 " " " " 36
 " 12 " " " " 30

EXAMPLE.—Interest on \$50 for 30 days at four per cent.,
 $50 \times 30 = 1500$, which divided by $90 = 16\frac{2}{3}$ cents—the required result.

Quantity of Seed Required to Plant an Acre.

Kind of Seed.	Quantity.	Kind of Seed.	Quantity.	Kind of Seed.	Quantity.
Asparagus in 12-inch drills	16 qts.	Corn, sugar	10 qts.	Parsnips, in drills, 2½ feet	5 lbs.
Asparagus Plants, 4 by 1½ feet	8,000	Corn, field	8 qts.	Pepper, plants, 2½ by 1 feet	17,500
Barley	2½ bush.	Corn, salad, drill 10 inches	25 lbs.	Pumpkin, in hills, 8 by 8 feet	2 qts.
Beans, bush, in drills, 2½ feet	1½ bush.	Cucumber, in hills	3 qts.	Parsley, in drills, 2 feet	4 lbs.
Beans, pole Lima, 4 by 4 feet	20 qts.	Flax, broadcast	20 qts.	Peas, in drills, short varieties	2 bush.
Beans, Carolina, prolific, etc., 4x3 feet	10 qts.	Cross, timothy with clover	6 qts.	Peas, in drills, tall varieties	1 to 1½ bush.
Beets and mangold, drills, 2½ feet	9 lbs.	Cross, timothy without clover	10 qts.	Peas, broadcast	3 bush.
Broom corn, in drills	12 lbs.	Cross, orchard	25 qts.	Potatoes	8 bush.
Cabbage, outside, for transplanting	12 lbs.	Cross, red top or heads	20 qts.	Radish, in drills, 2 feet	10 lbs.
Cabbage, sown in frames	4 qts.	Cross, blue	28 qts.	Rye, broadcast	1½ bush.
Carrot, in drills, 2½ feet	4 lbs.	Cross, rye	20 qts.	Rye, drilled	1½ bush.
Celery, seed	8 ozs.	Lettuce, in rows, 2½ feet	3 lbs.	Squash, bush, in hills, 4 by 4 feet	3 lbs.
Celery, plant, 4x2½ feet	25,000	Lawn grass	35 lbs.	Turnips, broadcast, or in drills, 2 feet	4 lbs.
Clover, white Dutch	13 lbs.	Melons, water, in hills, 8 by 3 feet	3 lbs.	Tomatoes, in frames	3 ozs.
Clover, Lucerne	10 lbs.	Melons, citrons, in hills, 4 by 4 feet	2		

INTEREST LAWS AND STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	INTEREST LAWS.		STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS.			STATES AND TERRITORIES.	INTEREST LAWS.		STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS.		
	Legal Rate.	Rate allowed by Contract	Judgments, Years.	Notes, Years.	Open Accounts, Years.		Legal Rate.	Rate allowed by Contract	Judgments, Years.	Notes, Years.	Open Accounts, Years.
	<i>p'ct.</i>	<i>per ct.</i>									
Alabama.....	8	8	20	6	3	Nebraska.....	7	10	5	5	4
Arkansas.....	6	10	10	5	3	Nevada.....	7	Any rate.	6	6	4
Arizona.....	7	Any rate.	5	3	2	New Hampshire.....	6	6	20	6	6
California.....	7	Any rate.	5	4	2	New Jersey.....	6	6	20	6	6
Colorado.....	8	Any rate.	6	6	6	New Mexico.....	6	12	15	6	4
Connecticut.....	6	•	•	6	6	New York.....	6	6†	20	6	6
Delaware.....	6	6	20	6	3	North Carolina.....	6	8	10	3	3
District of Columbia.....	6	10	12	3	3	North Dakota.....	7	10	20	6	6
Florida.....	8	10†	20	5	2	Ohio.....	6	8	5	15	6
Georgia.....	7	8	7	7	4	Oklahoma.....	7	12	•	•	•
Idaho.....	10	18	6	6	3	Oregon.....	8	10	10	6	1
Illinois.....	5	7	7	10	5	Pennsylvania.....	6	6	5	6	6
Indiana.....	6	8	10	10	6	Rhode Island.....	6	Any rate.	20	6	6
Iowa.....	6	8	10	10	5	South Carolina.....	7	8	10	6	6
Kansas.....	6	10	5	5	2	South Dakota.....	7	12	20	6	6
Kentucky.....	6	8	15	15	5	Tennessee.....	6	6	10	6	6
Louisiana.....	5	8	10	5	3	Texas.....	8	12	10	4	2
Maine.....	6	Any rate.	20	6	6	Utah.....	10	Any rate.	5	4	2
Maryland.....	6	6	12	3	3	Vermont.....	6	6	6	6	6
Massachusetts.....	6	Any rate.	20	6	6	Virginia.....	6	6	10	5	2
Michigan.....	6	8	6	6	6	Washington.....	10	Any rate.	6	6	3
Minnesota.....	7	10	10	6	6	West Virginia.....	6	•	10	10	5
Mississippi.....	6	10	7	6	3	Wisconsin.....	7	10	20	6	6
Missouri.....	6	8	20	10	5	Wyoming.....	12	Any rate.	5	5	4
Montana.....	10	Any rate.	6	6	2						

* No usury, but over 6 per cent. cannot be collected by law. † Not to exceed 10 per cent. ‡ New York has by a recent law legalized any rate of interest on call loans of \$5,000 or upward, on collateral security.

DOMESTIC WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Apothecaries' Weight: 20 grains=1 scruple; 3 scruples=1 dram; 8 drams=1 ounce; 12 ounces=1 pound.
Avoirdupois Weight (short ton): 27 11-32 grains=1 dram; 16 drams=1 ounce; 16 ounces=1 pound; 25 pounds=1 quarter; 4 quarters=1 cwt.; 20 cwt.=1 ton.
Avoirdupois Weight (long ton): 27 11-32 grains=1 dram; 16 drams=1 ounce; 16 ounces=1 pound; 112 pounds=1 cwt.; 20 cwt.=1 ton.
Troy Weight: 24 grains=1 pennyweight; 20 pennyweights=1 ounce; 12 ounces=1 pound.
Circular Measure: 60 seconds=1 minute; 60 minutes=1 degree; 30 degrees=1 sign; 12 signs= 1 circle.
Cubic Measure: 1,728 cubic inches=1 cubic foot; 27 cubic feet=1 cubic yard.
Dry Measure: 2 pints=1 quart; 8 quarts=1 peck; 4 pecks=1 bushel.
Liquid Measure: 4 gills=1 pint; 2 pints=1 quart; 4 quarts=1 gallon; 31½ gallons=1 barrel; 2 barrels=1 hogshead.
Long Measure: 12 inches=1 foot; 3 feet=1 yard; 3½ yards=1 rod or pole; 40 rods=1 furlong; 8 furlongs=1 statute mile; 3 miles=1 league.
Mariners' Measure: 6 feet=1 fathom; 120 fathoms=1 cable length; 7½ cable lengths=1 mile; 5,280 feet=1 statute mile; 6,085 feet=1 nautical mile.
Square Measure: 144 square inches=1 square foot; 9 square feet=1 square yard; 30¼ square yards=1 square rod or perch; 40 square rods=1 rood; 4 roods=1 acre; 640 acres=1 square mile; 36 square miles (6 miles square)=1 township.
Time Measure: 60 seconds=1 minute; 60 minutes=1 hour; 24 hours=1 day; 7 days=1 week; 365 days=1 year; 366 days=1 leap year.

FOREIGN MONEY.

English Money: 4 farthings=1 penny (*d*); 12 pence=1 shilling (*s*); 20 shillings=1 pound (£).
French Money: 10 centimes=1 decime; 10 decimes=1 franc.
German Money: 100 pfennings=1 mark.
Russian Money: 100 copecks=1 rouble.
Austro-Hungarian Money: 100 kreutzer=1 florin.

BUSINESS LAW IN DAILY USE.

The following compilation of business law contains the essence of a large amount of legal verbiage:—
 If a note is lost or stolen, it does not release the maker; he must pay it, if the consideration for which it was given and the amount can be proven.
 Notes bear interest only when so stated.
 Principals are responsible for the acts of their agents.
 Each individual in a partnership is responsible for the whole amount of the debts of the firm, except in cases of special partnership.
 Ignorance of the law excuses no one.
 The law compels no one to do impossibilities.
 An agreement without consideration is void.
 A note made on Sunday is void.
 Contracts made on Sunday cannot be enforced.
 A note by a minor is void.
 A contract made with a minor is void.
 A contract made with a lunatic is void.
 A note obtained by fraud, or from a person in a state of intoxication, cannot be collected.
 It is a fraud to conceal a fraud.
 Signatures made with a lead pencil are good in law.
 A receipt for money is not always conclusive.
 The acts of one partner bind all the rest.
 "Value received" is usually written in a note, and should be, but is not necessary. If not written, it is presumed by the law, or may be supplied by proof.
 The maker of an "accommodation" bill or note (one for which he has received no consideration, having lent his name or credit for the accommodation of the holder) is not bound to the person accommodated, but is bound to all other parties, precisely as if there was a good consideration.
 No consideration is sufficient in law if it be illegal in its nature.
 Checks or drafts must be presented for payment without unreasonable delay.
 Checks or drafts should be presented during business hours, but in this country, except in the case of banks, the time extends through the day and evening.
 If the drawee of a check or draft has changed his residence, the holder must take due or reasonable diligence to find him.
 If one who holds a check as payee or otherwise transfers it to another, he has the right to insist that the check be presented that day, or, at the farthest, on the day following.
 A note indorsed in blank (the name of the endorser only written) is transferable by delivery, the same as if made out to bearer.
 If the time of payment of a note is not inserted, it is held payable on demand.



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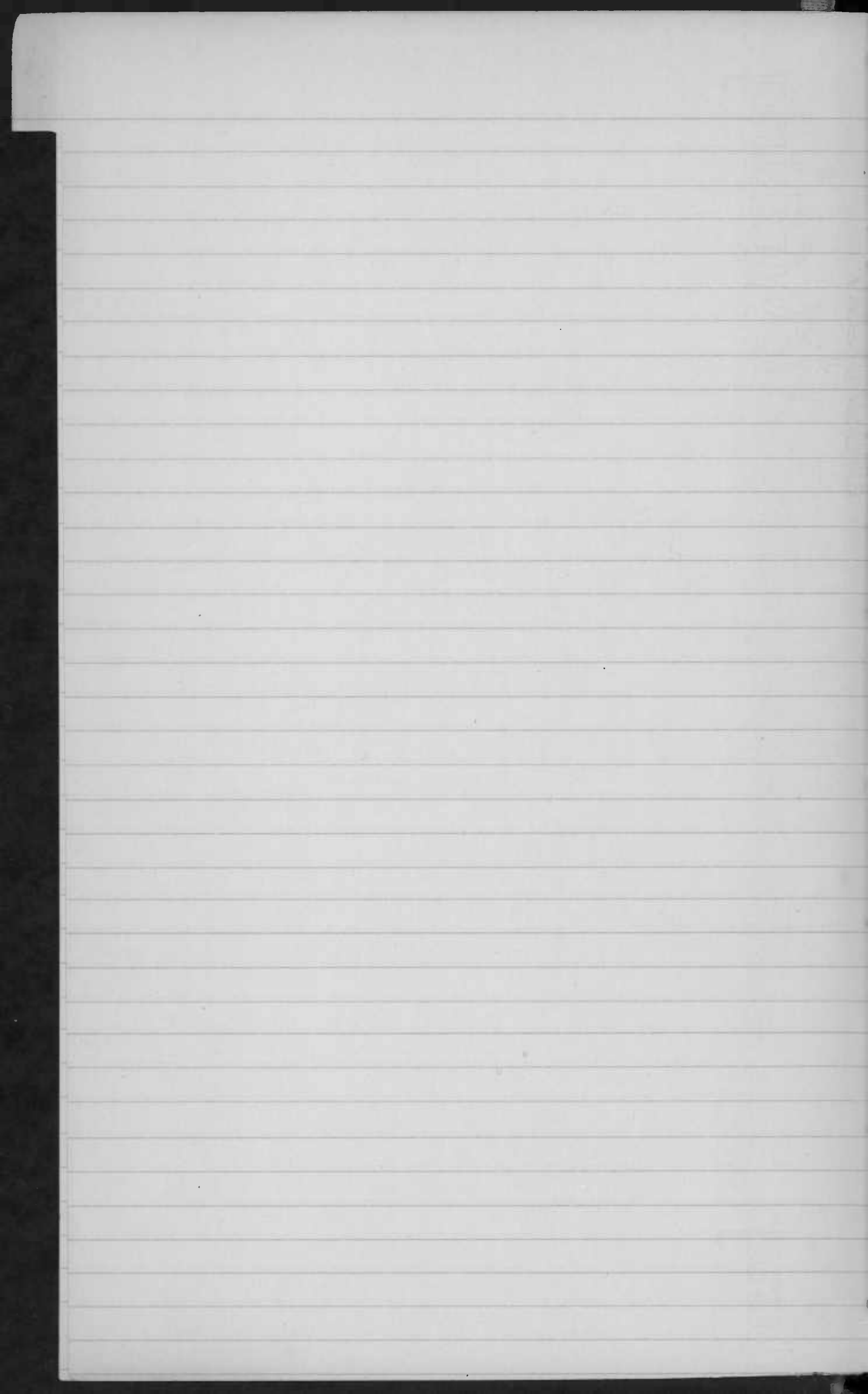
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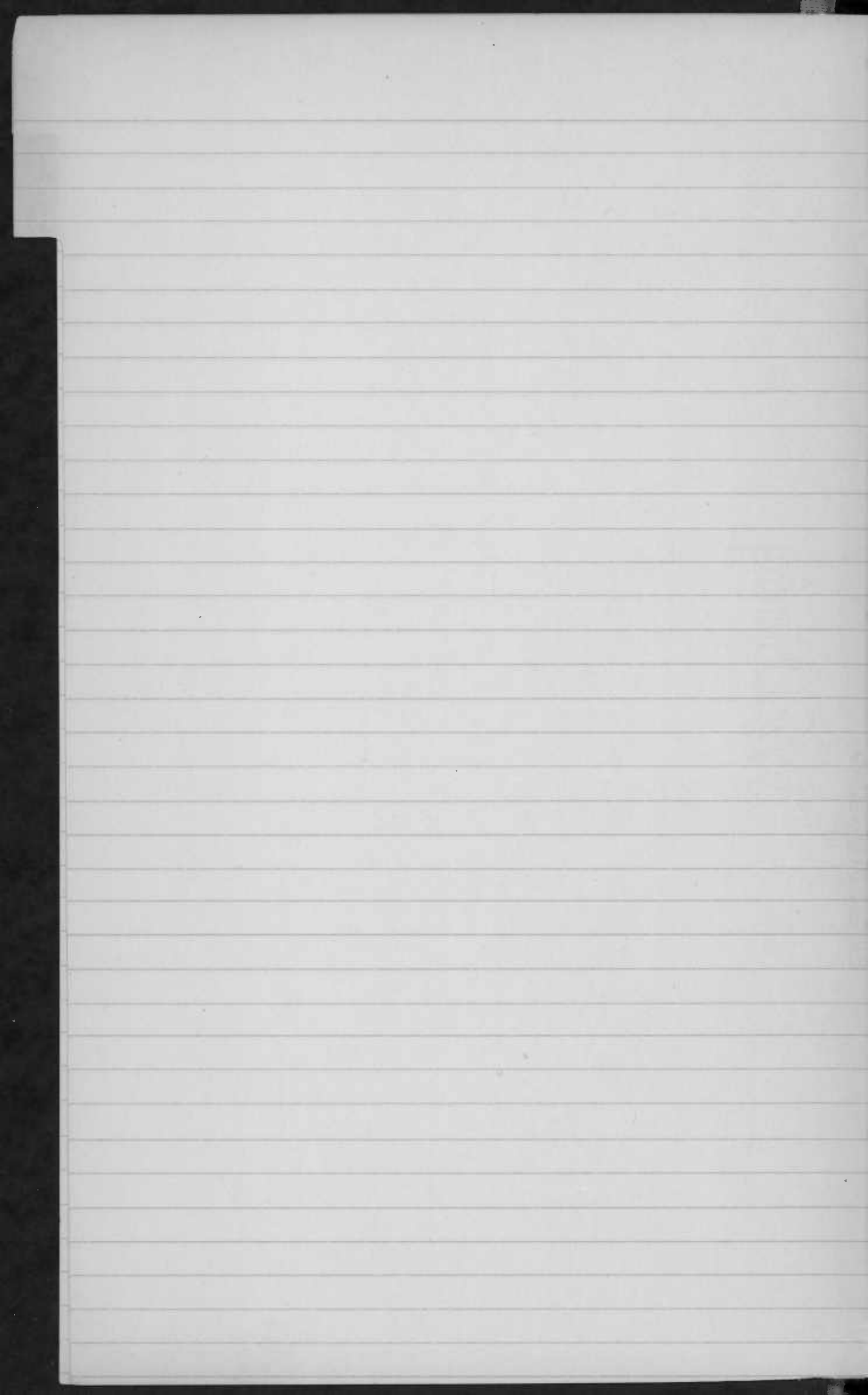
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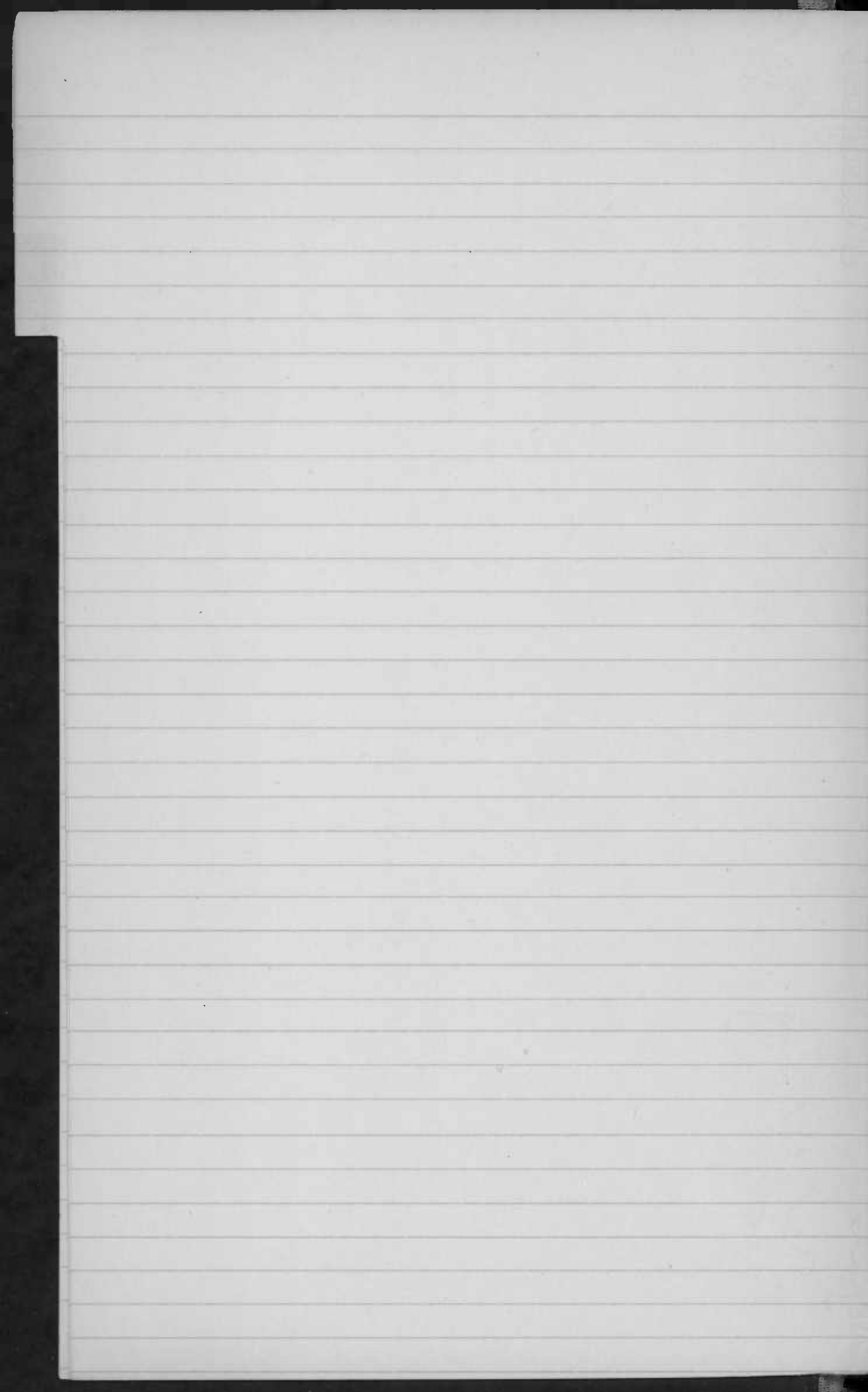
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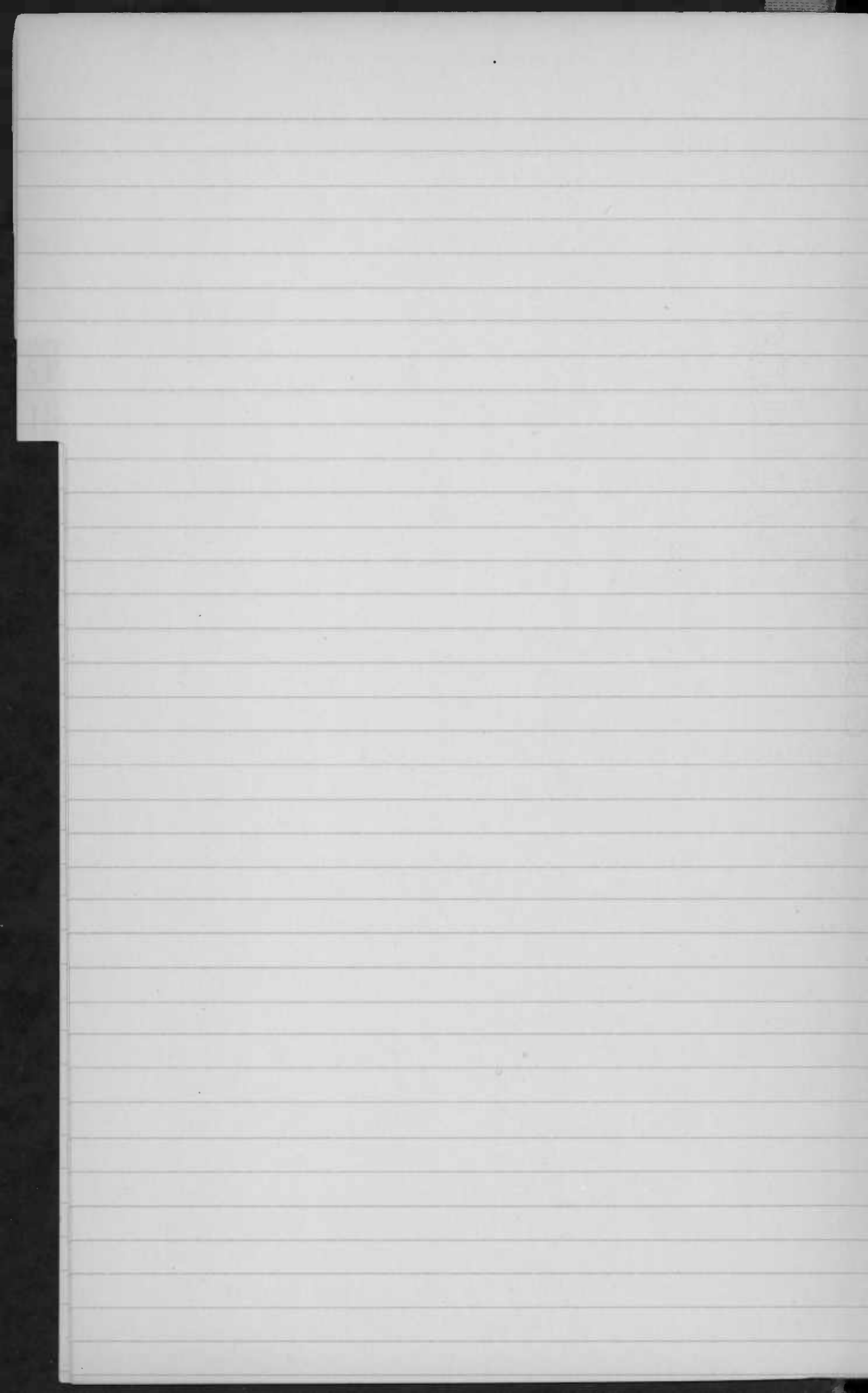
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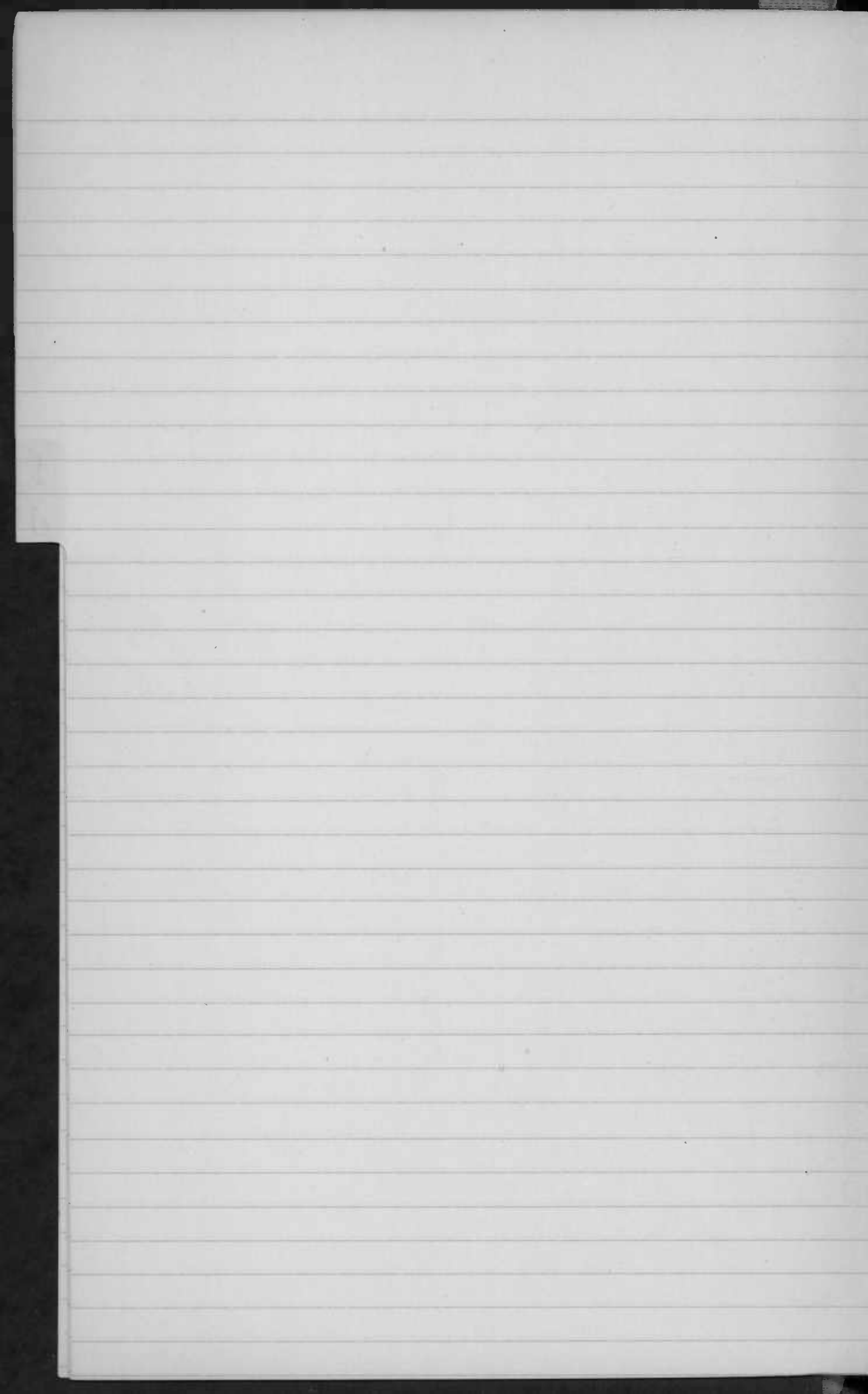
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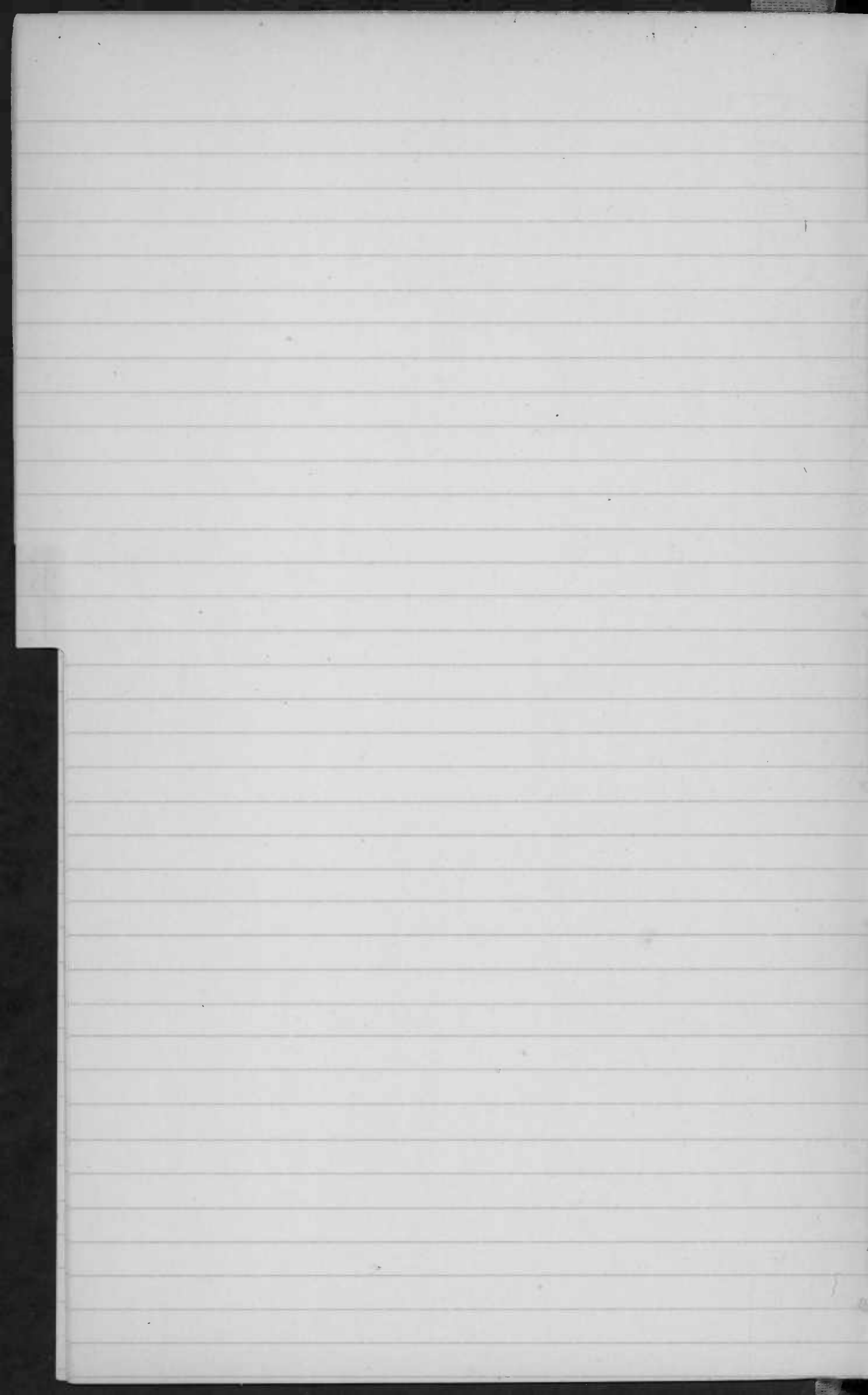
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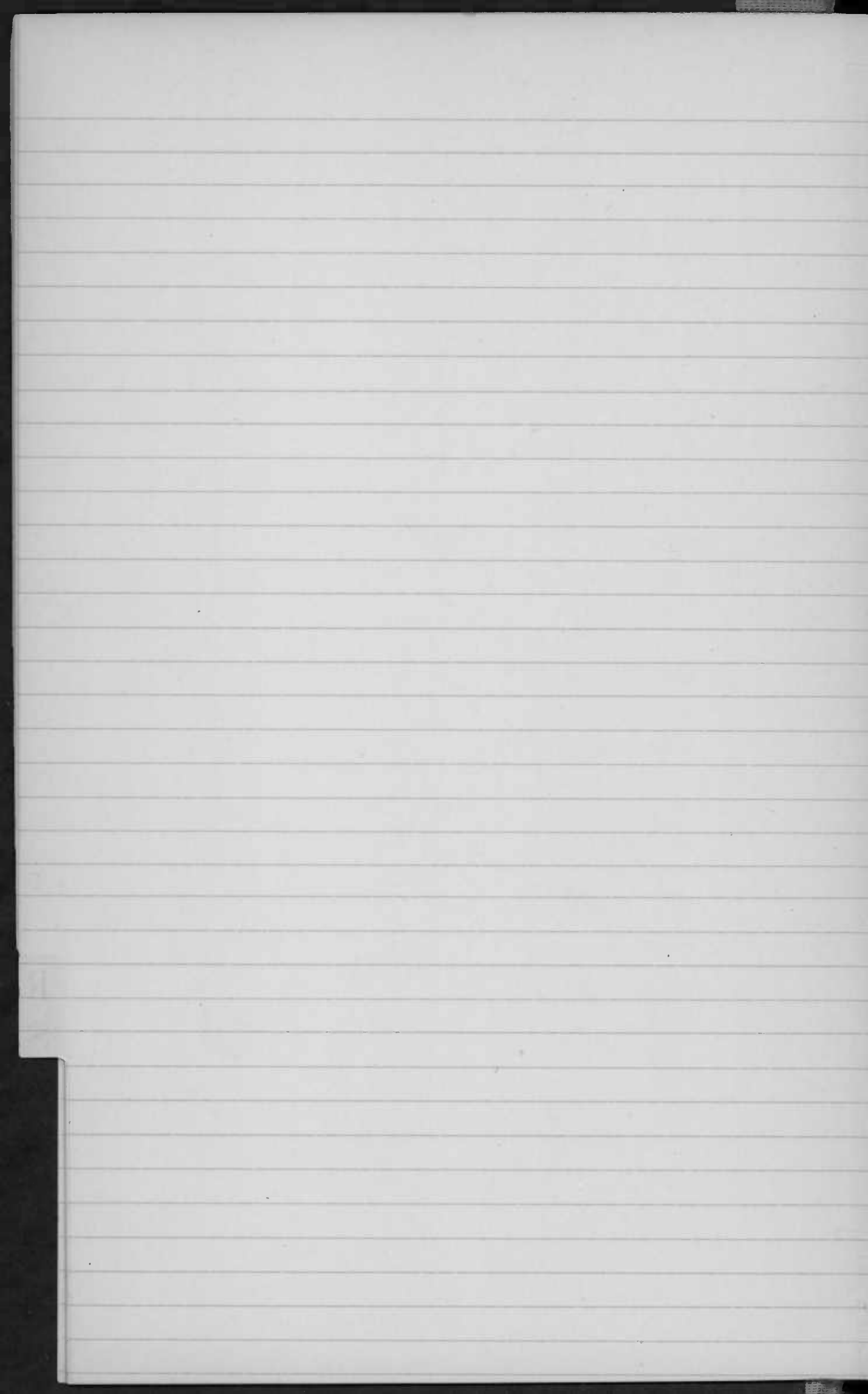
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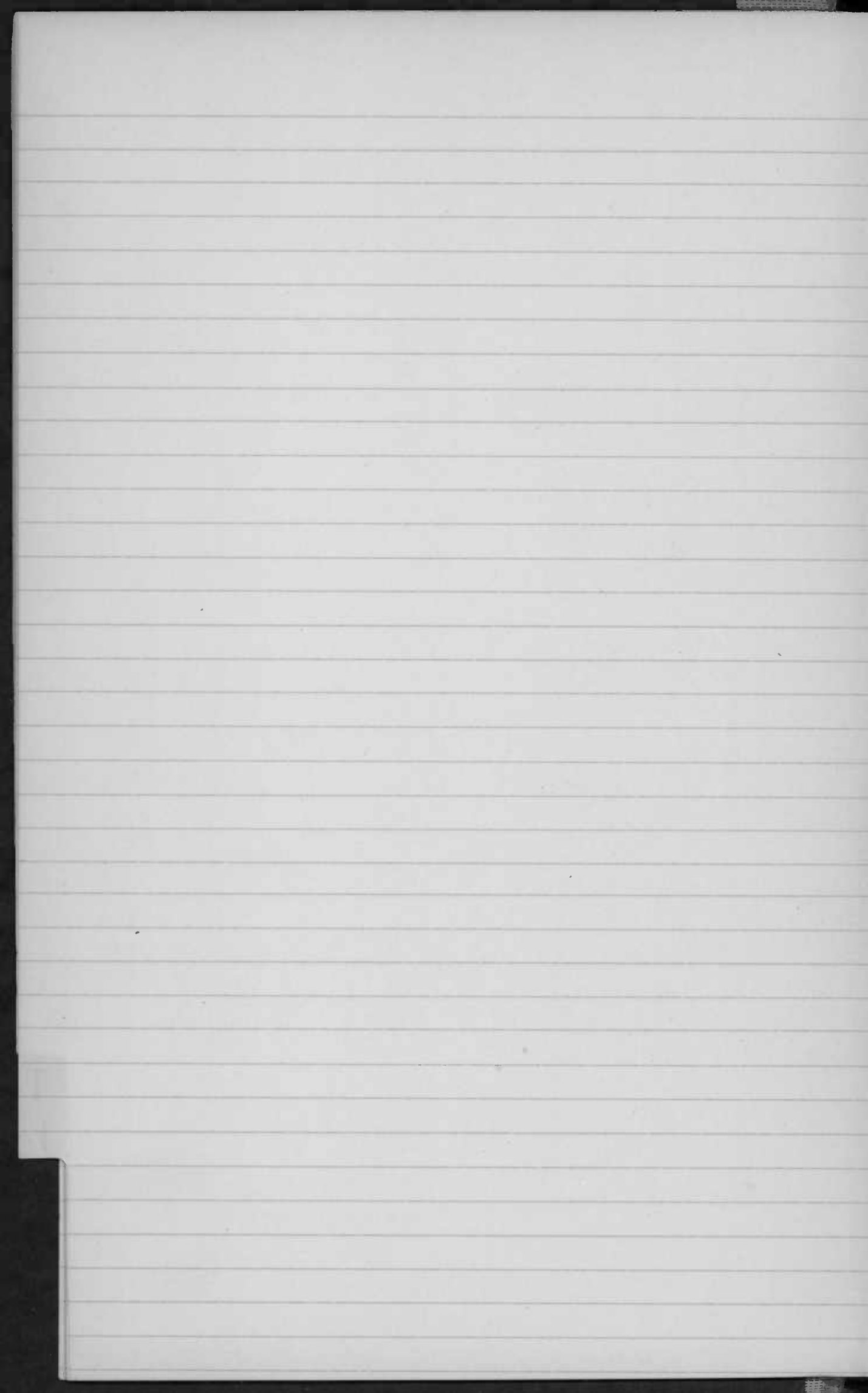
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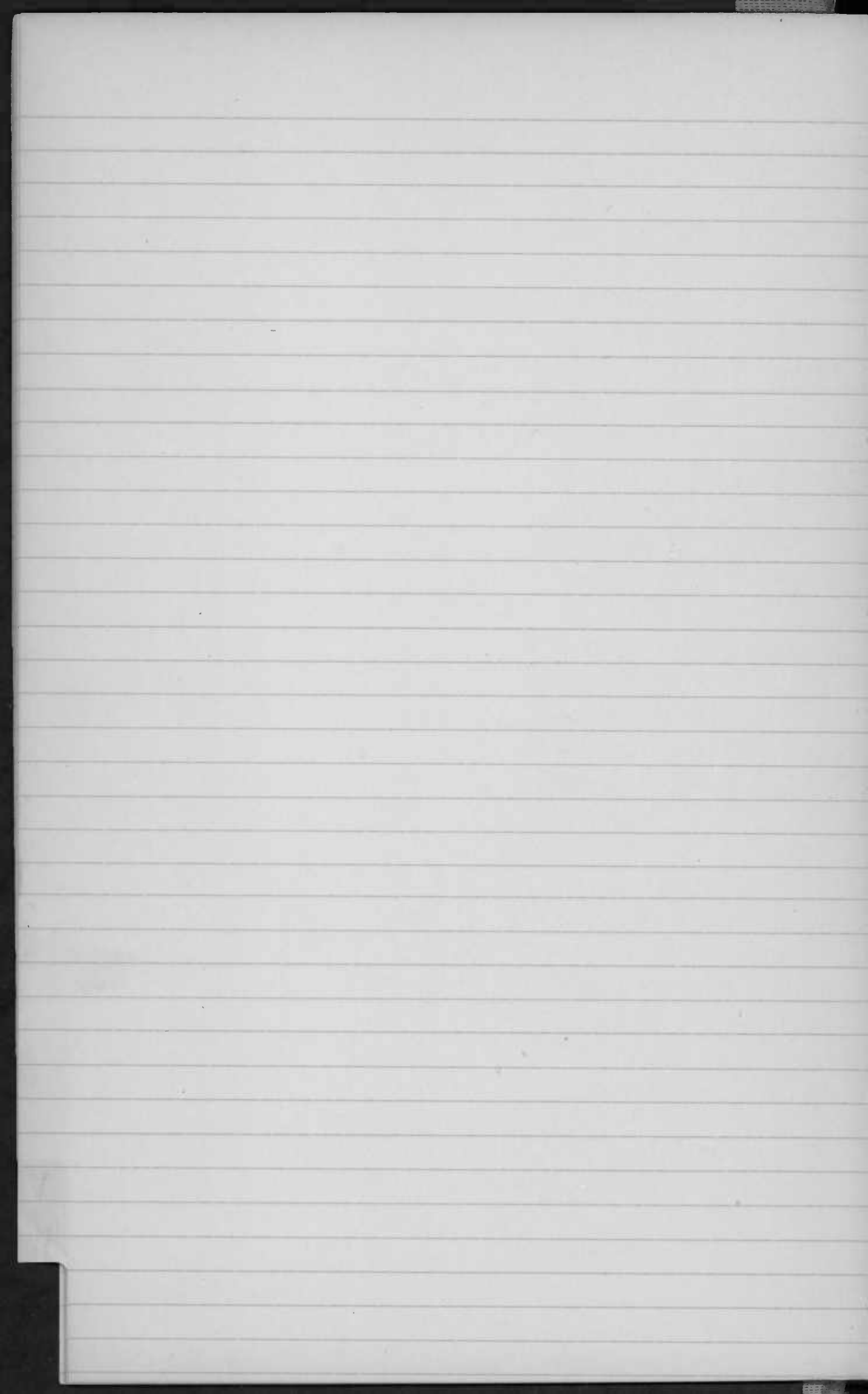
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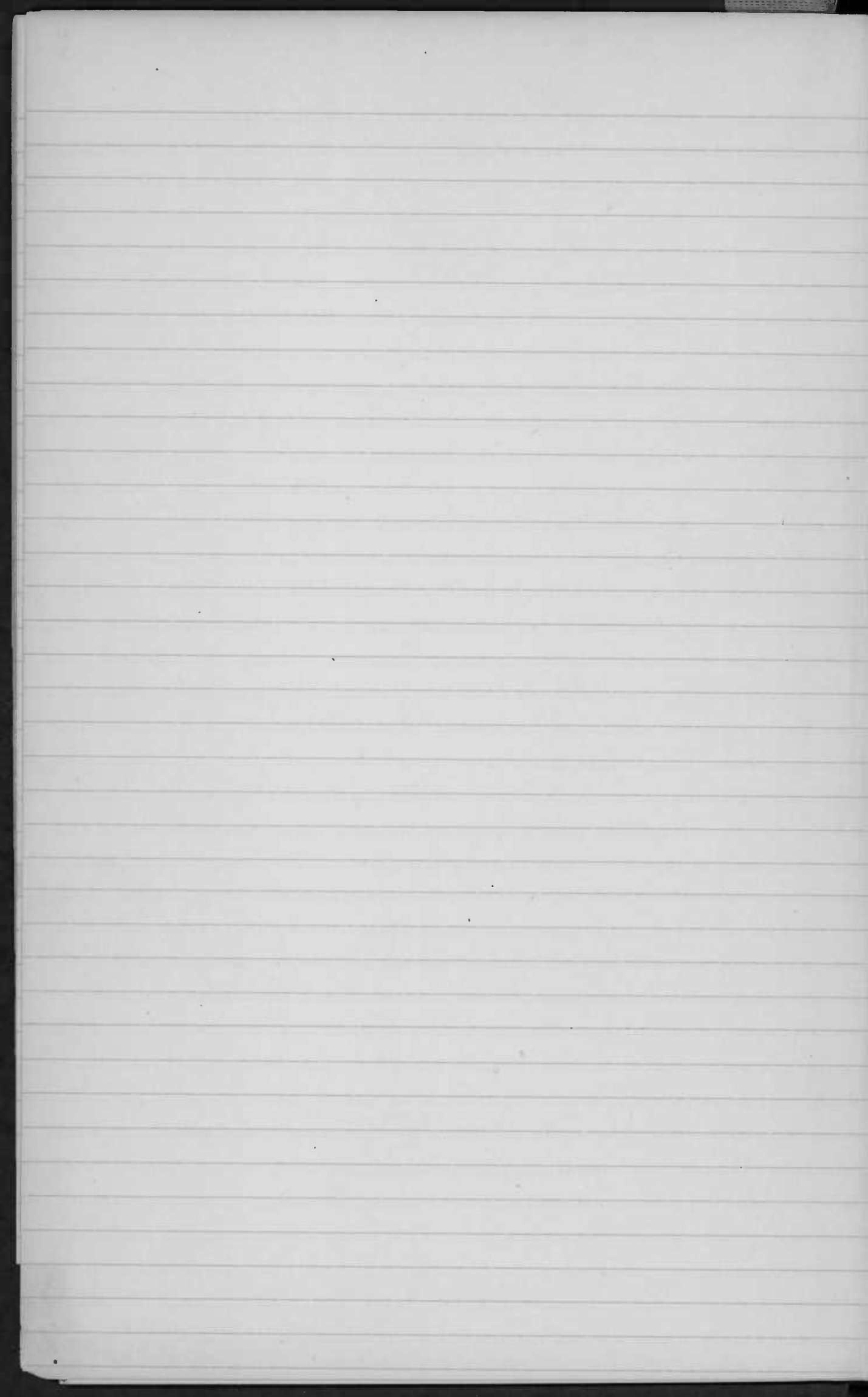


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January 11th 1938.

The St Michael's Utilities Commission called a special meeting to organize on this date. Those present were W.C. Mills, E.A. Bued and H.W. Caudel. W.C. Mills was elected President, H.W. Caudel elected Sec & Treas.

The Commission suggested the Sec. take up with Mr. F.H. Henry Atty for the Commission relative to transferring some of the surplus monies from the two St Michael's Banks to some other bank for better protection.

The Sec. is to advise the Commission after hearing from Mr. Henry.

The Sec. salary was raised to \$75⁰⁰/₁₀₀ per week effective from Jan 1, 1938.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Sign
H.W. Caudel Sec & Treas.

February 1 1939

The St Michael's Writings Comm
called a meeting on the 27th.
Those present Mr E R Buck, Mr
W C Mills and H W Bance.

The minutes of Jan 14th 1938 were
approved.

Mr Buck moved Mr Mills
take up with Mr Coad Pres
County Trust Co relative to
having them secure all
monies deposited with them
also have sec take up
with the St. Michael's Bank
relative to monies deposited
with them.

There being no other business
the meeting was adjourned.

H W Bance Sec & Treas

March 31, 1939
 A meeting was called on Mar 31
 1939. Present W C Mills,
 E R Bunk & H W Bauer
 The attached Resolution
 was made and approved
 There being no other business
 the meeting was adjourned
 H W Bauer Sec & Treas

ST. MICHAELS UTILITIES COMMISSION

ST. MICHAELS, MARYLAND

"RESOLVED, that on this 31st day of March 1939 the duly elected President of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission, William C. Mills and its duly elected Secretary & Treasurer, Howard W. Cault are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the County Trust Company of Maryland for furnishing collateral for demand deposit now in said bank. Also authorizes them to sign checks against this account and do whatever is necessary for the fulfillment of agreement."

I hereby certify that the above is a copy of resolution taken from the minutes of meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission held on March 31st, 1939.

ST. MICHAELS UTILITIES COMMISSION

Howard W. Bauer Sec. & Treas.

ST. MICHAELS UTILITIES COMMISSION

ST. MICHAELS, MARYLAND

RESOLVED, that on this 31st day of March 1939 the duly elected President of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission, William C. Mills and its duly elected Secretary & Treasurer, Howard W. Caulk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the St. Michaels Bank of St. Michaels, Md. for furnishing collateral for demand deposit now in said bank. Also authorizes them to sign checks against this account and to do what ever is necessary for the fulfillment of this agreement.

I hereby certify that the above is a copy of resolution taken from the minutes of meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission held on March 31st. 1939.

St. Michaels Utilities Commission

Walter Leavelle

Sec. & Treas.

Dec 4, 1939

A meeting was called on the above date to act on new contract submitted by the Maryland Light & Power Co.

Those present W C Mills, E R Buck and H W Caneek. Motion made by E R Buck to accept contract as offered by H W Caneek. The attached resolution was adopted. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Signed H W Caneek Secy.

RESOLUTION OF ST. MICHAELS UTILITIES COMMISSION

RESOLVED, that the contract between The Maryland Light and Power Company, on the one part, and St. Michaels Utilities Commission and The Commissioners of St. Michaels on the other part, dated _____, 1939, for the furnishing of electric energy by The Maryland Light and Power Company to the St. Michaels Utilities Commission, submitted this _____ day of _____, 1939, by The Maryland Light and Power Company, be and the same is hereby accepted and approved; and the execution of said contract in behalf of St. Michales Utilities Commission by the members constituting said St. Michaels Utilities Commission be and the same is hereby authorized.

Dec 7, 1939

At a special meeting called today relative to the Maryland Light & Power Co furnishing D. A. Van Lennep & Co with energy on orders from the Maryland Public Service Commission. All members of the St Michael's utilities were present. The Contract was read and signed by all three of the Commissioners. The Contract is attached as a matter of record.

Signed H. W. Carver Sec.

January 16, 1940

Regular meeting held today
Those present. W.C. Mills
Pres. Ed. R. Buck and
H.W. Cauck.

The taking over of the
transmission line running
into Lee Haven and owned
by the property owners
at this point was discussed.

It was agreed to take
over this line and maintain
it at no cost of taking the
same over to the Commission
as soon as the paid line was
placed in good shape and
condition approved by us.

The condition of our own
lines was gone over and
found to be in good shape.

Ed. R. Buck moved to
appoint H.W. Cauck Secy. & Pres
for one year dated from
Jan. 1, 1940 to Dec. 31, 1940
at the same salary he has
been drawing.

This motion was seconded
by W.C. Mills and as there
was no objection the
same was approved.

The minutes of the last meeting
were approved.
There being no other business
the meeting was adjourned

Sign H.W. Cauck Secy

March 19, 1940.

Regular Meeting held today
Present W.C. Mills, E.R. Beck
and H.W. Bauer

There being no business
before the Commission
same was adjourned.

H.W. Bauer pres.

May 20, 1940

Regular meeting held
today. Present W.C. Mills, E.R. Beck
and H.W. Bauer.

Report made on inspection
of our transmission lines
The same was reported
by Milton Fairbank to
be in very good shape.
There being no other business
the meeting was adjourned
Signed H.W. Bauer pres.

July 16th 1940

Regular meeting held
today. Present W.C. Mills
E.R. Beck and H.W. Bauer
It was brought before
the Commission relative
to buying 2-25 KVd
transformers to take care
of the No. 1 electric water
pump purchased by the

Town Commission's Authority
 was given Mr Harbort
 to purchase the same
 at once.
 There being no other
 business meeting was
 adjourned
 Signed H W Cawclee.

Sept 24, 1940

Regular meeting held
 today. Present A W Cawclee
 W. C. Mills and Ed Bull
 it was brought before
 the Commission by Treasurer
 relative to transferring \$5000⁰⁰/₁₀₀
 from General Fund to sinking
 fund at St. Michael Bank!
 This was agreed to and
 also to have Bank
 cover this amount with
 Government Bonds

There being no other
 business meeting was
 adjourned
 H W Cawclee

Oct 16, 1940

Regular meeting held today
 present W C Miller Ed
 Burch and H W Bauer
 Minutes of last meeting read
 and approved.

It was brought before the
 Commission relative to taking
 over the Church Street line
 owned by W R Gardner
 at a price set by the
 Maryland Public Service
 Commission. H W Bauer
 was instructed to see
 Mr Gardner and find
 out if he would agree
 to this value.

There being no other
 business meeting was
 adjourned.

H W Bauer Secy

Jan 15, 1951

Regular meeting called to
day present W.C. Mills
& R. Brink and H.W. Bancek
It was taken up in regard
to buying 7-100 KVA
transformers to be placed
on the Easton Line. The
present transformers being
overloaded.

It was decided to place
order with Westinghouse
Elec & Mfg Co at once
for the transformers.
There being no other business
meeting was adjourned

H.W. Bancek pres & Treas.

May 8, 1941

A special meeting called today present W.C. Mills & A. Beck & J.W. Caneek.

The question was brought up relative to increasing salary of Alfred Fairbank. It was decided at this time we could not raise his salary.

The conditions of lines were gone over and found in good shape. There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

J.W. Caneek Secy & Treas

Nov. 24, 1944

Call meeting of the St. Michael Utilities Commission held this evening with H. W. Caulk, Jr. J. Caulk and W. C. Mills present.

The Commission organized as follows -

Pres. - W. C. Mills - elected

Secy - H. W. Caulk - elected Secy & Treas.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to get further particulars about tree trimming and report on same.

Mr. Jr. Caulk was asked to see Stanley Jones about working for the Commission.

There being no further business meeting was adjourned.

H. W. Caulk.

Secy.
W.C.M.

Aug. 10, 1945

Call meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held this evening, Aug. 10th, with W. C. Mills, Howard W. Cauch and J. D. Cauch present.

The proposal to oppose the Choptank Co. Operative's application for building of electric line from the beginning of our line in Royal Oak to Bellme, Deep Neck and Ferry Neck was thoroughly discussed. It was decided that we withdraw our opposition to the building of this line so notifying the Eastern Shore Public Service Commission.

There being no further business meeting was adjourned

H. W. Cauch,

Secy

per J. D. Cauch.

Sept. 7, 1945.

Call meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held this evening with W. C. Mills, H. W. Cauley & J. D. Cauley, Jr. present.

Mr. Payne presented a proposition for furnishing energy on proposed line to be built at Payne Dam south between Back Creek and Red Avon River.

After discussion Mr. Payne was to submit proposals in writing for our consideration.

H. W. Cauley.

Recy.

W. C. Mills.

Sept. 19, 1945.

Meeting of the St. Michael's Utilities Commission was held this evening with W. C. Mills, H. W. Cawley & J. D. Cawley, Jr. present.

Letter was read from the Eastern Shore Light & Power Co. for the purchase of energy between Broad Creek and Dead Aron River from our line running south from Royal Oak. Proposal No. 1 to be accepted with the following exceptions: -

To Be a Three phase line and the bottom paragraph to read as follows: -

"additional cost from any overloading of line to be paid by the Eastern Shore Light & Power Co."

It was moved & seconded that letters be written to customers on lines privately owned, as recommended by Mr. Fairbanks, that when trees or other obstructions need to be cleared or trimmed from the line be notified that unless this is done we will not be able to supply service that they should have.

The matter of Mr. J. B. Gullies was discussed and that it would be satisfactory for him to negotiate with the Eastern Shore Light

and Power Co. in reference
to furnishing Line energy.

W. W. Cault.

(Recy.

mscc.)

ST. MICHAELS UTILITIES COMMISSION

ST. MICHAELS, MARYLAND

A meeting was called on Jan 15, 1947 for the purpose of organizing. Those present were Howard W. Cauley, Jr. & Cauley, Jr. and the new member - J. Clifton Jones. Howard W. Cauley was elected President and J. Clifton Jones Secy & Treas. Winfred H. Mansfield was elected Assy Secy & Treas. term to end Dec. 31, 1947.

Business of buying a new truck was discussed and instructions given to write the International Motor Truck Co. of Easton to have a representative come down to see Mr. Milton Daulbank in regard to purchase of one.

Mr. Daulbank was instructed to buy and install a new desk light for office.

A letter was to be written instructing

the St. Michaels Bank to recognize the
J. Clayton Jones signature on checks.

Salary of M. Mansfield was raised to
30⁰⁰ per week.

There being no further business
meeting was adjourned at 8 P. M.

Mildred St. Mansfield
asst Secy.

July, 7, 1947

The Commission at a special meeting appointed Clifton L. Hoge Assistant Secretary and Treasurer to replace Mildred Mansfield who resigned. The entire Commission was present.

Dictated by H.W. Calk.

Clifton L. Hoge, Asst.
Secy & Treas.

March 1948

A meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission and Town Commissioners was held Wednesday evening, March 10th, ¹⁹⁴⁸ 7:30. J. Clifton Jones, being on the board longest opened the meeting. Officers for the year, 1948 were elected as follows - Norman M. Shannahan, president. J. Clifton Jones, Treas. and Clifton L. Hope, Sec.

D. Hughes deCompte read and explained the annual report for the year 1947. This report showed a gain of ^{approx} \$20000 more than for 1946.

A motion made by George Lee and seconded by Clifton Jones to hold monthly meetings the second Wednesday of each month at 8 P.M. Motion Carried

Mr. George Nelson and Mr. Pierce of The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md. were present and presented plans whereby St. Michaels could eventually be tied with Vienna plant. This project would take several years and several thousands of dollars to complete it. First enlarging the plant at St. M. then tying with Oxford and substation near Easton and finally connecting with Vienna with two separate lines and disposing of the plant at St. Michaels. The Eastern Shore Public Service Co is willing to spend the required amount for this provided the St. Michaels Utilities Commission and Town Commissioners will guarantee them their business for ten additional years immediately following the termination of the present contract which expires September, 1950. Mr. Nelson pointed out that when the work was completed St. Michaels Utilities would be granted the same rates as Vienna and other towns serviced by the Company. Mr. Pierce suggested The Utilities Commission get in touch with Mr. Neeman, rates expert of the Eastern Shore Public Service Co., to see if it would be advisable ^{for the Utilities} to lower rates at this time. He offered the services of Mr. Neeman free

of charge.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 to meet Monday, March 15th for the purpose of signing or rejecting contract with the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Del.

Oliver L. Hayes, Sec.

March 1948

A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission and Commissioners of the Town of St. Michaels was held Monday night 7:30, March 15, 1948 for the purpose of signing or rejecting contract with The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md.

Both boards agreed to sign the contract but said contract would not be forwarded to the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. until a letter which Mr. Nelson had promised to write confirming reasons for the contract was received. The secretary was ordered to write Mr. Nelson to that effect.

Amotion was made by Dr. Jones to adopt the resolutions - Exhibit "A" connected with the contract and same be spread upon the records. The resolutions are as follows:

Exhibit "A"

Resolution to be adopted by St. Michaels Utilities Commission

RESOLVED, that the contract between The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md., on the one part, and St. Michaels Utilities Commission and the Commissioners of St. Michaels on the other part, dated March 15 1948, for the furnishing of electric energy by The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md. to the St. Michaels Utilities Commission, submitted this day of _____ by The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md. be and the same is hereby accepted and approved; and the execution of said contract in behalf of St. Michaels Utilities Commission by the members constituting said St. Michaels Utilities Commission be and the same is hereby authorized.

A letter to St. Michaels Bank was written authorizing them to honor checks on the Utilities Commission signed by Norman M. Shannahan, or V. Clifton Jones ~~and~~ George S Lee and Counter signed by Clifton L. Hoje Sec. All concerned attached signatures to the letter.

Ways to give better service to consumers was discussed. Milton Fairbank was instructed to contact some one to work with him. He was also authorized to look into the War Assets Administration for a pole setter and report at the next meeting. He was also asked to look into prices of pick up trucks.

A proof of the postal card bills was inspected and all agreed to the advisability of using them. *

No further business The meeting adjourned at 9:10.

Clifton L. Hoje, sec.

* Milton Fairbank suggested the use of postal cards with dials printed on them to be left when he can not get in to read meters

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MEMO

From: _____

To: _____ KWJ

A.M. P.M.

3-1-48	9AM	83-86-69	103-104-84	7PM	395
3-2-48	9AM	88-90-70	103-105-95	7B.	396
3-3-	9AM	79-79-60	103-102-91	7PM	396
3-4	9AM	87-81-64	107-108-98	7PM	396
3-5	11AM	83-83-68	103-102-93	7PM	396
3-6	10AM	80-78-64	114-110-97	7PM	408
3-7	7AM	84-76-44	95-90-83	8PM	"
3-8	9AM	78-82-63	103-103-91	7PM	"
3-9	9AM	88-90-67	104-104-93	7PM	"
3-10	9AM	81-82-60	103-102-94	7PM	"
3-11	9AM	81-81-63	107-106-93	7PM	"
3-12	9AM	81-74-63	110-108-95	7PM	409
3-13	10AM	83-78-63	107-108-90	8PM	"
3-14	10AM	64-62-45	112-114-98	8PM	"
3-15	10AM	88-96-70	98-94-82	7PM	"
3-16	9AM	80-82-66	98-95-87	7PM	"
3-17	11AM	80-82-66	102-102-93	7PM	#10
3-18	11AM	72-76-56	106-104-98	7PM	"
3-19	9AM	71-68-58	102-104-92	7PM	"
3-20	10AM	80-83-61	104-104-96	7PM	"
3-21	8AM	72-70-54	110-106-96	6PM	"
3-22	10AM	60-60-47	94-92-82	8PM	"
3-23	11AM	77-66-51	108-102-90	7PM	"
3-24	9AM	96-90-71	118-108-96	7PM	"
3-25	9AM	84-88-66	103-112-94	7PM	"
3-26	9AM	80-82-66	106-98-97	7PM	"
3-27	10AM	78-74-63	108-106-110	7PM	"
3-28	8AM	81-81-66	110-110-102	8PM	"
3-29	9AM	67-64-51	93-87-84	8PM	"
		86-81-67	96-95-91	7PM	"

RUMSEY

ELECTRIC COMPANY

ELECTRIC SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

1007 ARCH STREET

PHILADELPHIA

ZONE 7

DEPENDABLE

SERVICE

3-30 - 10AM 79-79-67 95-96-89

3-31 - 10AM 72-71-69 101-96-91

7PM
WALNUT 2-6260
7D

MEMO

From:

To:

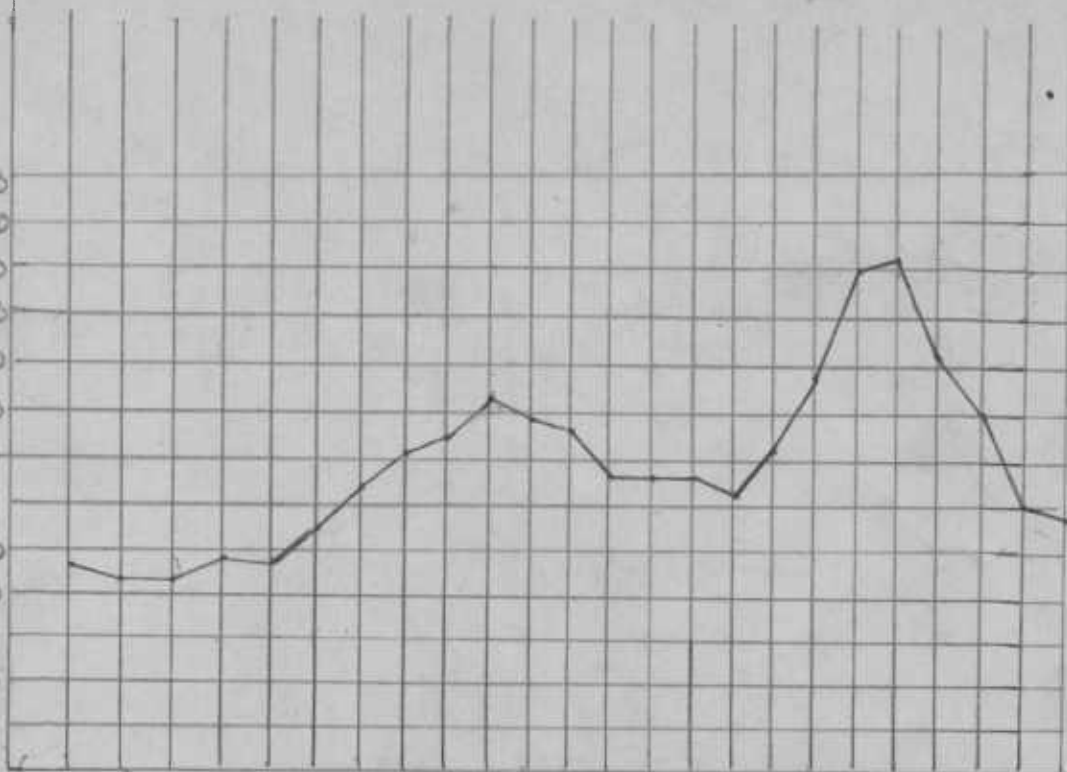
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AM. Noon P.M. mid Night

Load Curve -- MARCH 13, 1948

409 K.W.H. Demand.



DEPENDABLE

RUMSEY
ELECTRIC COMPANY
ELECTRIC SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT
1007 ARCH STREET
PHILADELPHIA
ZONE 7

SERVICE

WALNUT 2-6260

April 14, 1948

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, April 14, 1948 at 8 P.M.

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 10th were read and approved. Minutes of the special meeting of March 15th read and corrected.

It was reported that the current used for the month of March according to meter readings was 137,027 K.W. The amount of sales \$5715.51.

The amount of bill for current from the Eastern Shore Public Service Company of Maryland was \$3611.34. This bill was ordered to be paid.

Milton Fairbank reported a Ford Pick up Truck could be bought from Noble Motor Co, Easton for ^{approx.} \$1420 - delivery to be made the last of May. Motion made by George Lee and seconded by Clifton Jones to purchase truck provided it was agreeable with the Town Commissioners.

No report on pole truck.

Milton Fairbank presented a chart he had drawn showing average load carried during the course of a day - ^{March-13, 1948} (24 hours). This was drawn from figures obtained from the electric plant. It showed the peak of day time is at 10:00 o'clock and the peak at night is eight o'clock. The 10:00 AM peak reaching between 80 and 90 and the 8:00 PM peak reaching between 110 and 120.

A letter was read from the St. Michaels Milling Co. to the effect that they are contemplating expansion in manufacturing feeds and will need additional electric power, which would be 180 to 185 horse power or a total of 250 horse power. Before completing their plans they asked that the St. M. Utilities Commission submit the rates that would be charged after completion of their expansion.

Dr. Quillin was called in to discuss these plans. He agreed to pay for the transformers so as to keep down the cost of the demand charge.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter to the St. Michaels Milling Co. stating the proposed rates

as follows: Demand charge \$50⁰⁰ up to 120 KW and \$2⁰⁰ per KW above 120. Energy charge - 3¢ per KW for the 1st 2000 and 2¢ per KW above 2000. Fuel charge would be at same rate per KW as billed the Commission.

A bill was presented from Central Garage for repairs on car belonging to Alex Spencer. Damaged caused by street light falling on parked car. A motion to pay bill made by Clifton Jones and seconded by George Lee. Carried.

A letter from Rowleson Printing Co. stating prices for printing dial cards read. Cost for cards and printing would be \$10⁷⁵. Motion to order cards made by Mr Jones seconded by Mr Lee carried.

The addressograph ordered in February reported delivered. A motion by Mr Jones and seconded by Mr Lee that the old addressograph be turned in to The Addressograph Multigraph Corp. for the amount they would allow on it which was \$2⁰⁰.

The final bill from The Bartlett Tree Expert Co Inc amounting to \$1480.63 ordered paid.

The Commission agreed to pay half of the cost of an awning over the front door. Full amount being \$75⁰⁰. The Town Commissioners to pay one half.

Mr. Shannahan suggested that the money in the savings account at the Co. Trust Company should be in the present checking account.

Mr. Shannahan mentioned the advisability of extending the office back to the outer wall of the building, giving more room for files and having conveniences for those working in the office. He agreed to speak to the Town Commissioners about it.

Authority was given Mr. Shannahan to sign any papers concerning the business of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission.

All bills hereafter are to be presented at the regular meeting to be passed on

Meeting adjourned 11:00 P.M. *Edith A. Hays, Sec.*

May - 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, May 12, 1948.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved. The following bills were ordered paid:

Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. 3 phones	12 82
R.2. Cohee - freight	1 30
Clifton Hoye & Son	2 41
Bud's Tydol Service	24 79
The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md	3426 25
Lucas Boos, Inc.	1 26
Claude Ireland	23 00
Claude Ireland	269 00
Rumsey Electric Co.	39 90
Rumsey Electric Co.	150 01
Rowlenson Printing Co.	10 75
Comptroller of the Treasury of Md. sales tax	198 04
Benson & Wales fine ins on truck	7 00
Benson & Wales accident ins. on truck	31 95
Westinghouse Electric Corp	99 00
Making a total of	4297 48

The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

Dr. W. H. Morrison	10 00
Lucy Harrington	5 00
Annie Fields	5 00
Wallace Kelley	5 00
George F Dulin	5 00
Morton Palmer	5 00
Wm. L. Haley	5 00
George C. Newnam	10 00
Kenneth Wrightson	5 00
Mrs Tom Porter (Sarah Swanhaus)	5 00
Making a Total in refunds of	60 00

It was moved and carried to donate \$5.00 to the American Cancer Society.

A letter was read from the Miles River Yacht Club

asking for an ad in their Sanveir Program for their twenty-seventh Annual Regatta. Motion carried to have them insert the same ad as the previous year - 1/8 page reading "Compliments of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission", price \$10.00.

A ~~request~~^{suggestion} was made through the secretary from the Town Commissioners that the Commission distribute their garage business among the seven garages in town rather than taking all business to one garage. After much discussion a motion was made to lay the matter on the table. Motion carried.

Mr. Shannahan reported that he had talked to one of the Town Commissioners about ~~expanding~~^{expanding} the office but no action has been taken.

It was reported that the people of Copperville would like to turn their line over to the Commission and wanted to know what procedure was necessary. They asked that some one contact Earl Copper. Milton Fairbank was asked to see Earl Copper and to get in touch with our attorney so as to have the proper papers drawn up.

A motion carried authorizing the secretary to order thirty-six new addressograph plates.

Milton Fairbank reported that pole trucks were not available from War Assets.

It was suggested that Milton find out about transformers for Mr. Quillen.

It was reported that the Telephone Company wants to rebuild their line down Church Neck replacing poles with 35ft poles. They want the Utilities Commission to deed their right of way over to them. The Utilities will have the privilege of using poles for wiring and putting up transformers. Utilities Commission to pay for having poles removed. The Telephone Co. will take action after agreement is signed. Milton Fairbank is to contact Mr. Allen or Mr. Wright of the Telephone Co.

There are approximately fifty poles and Mr. Marvel wants them. It was decided that the Utilities would pull the poles and look them over and any they do not want to let Mr. Marvel have at the cost of pulling them.

Mr. Shannahan suggested the secretary contact the Insurance Company, Benson + Wales and ask the cost of accident policy for truck for coverage of 30/50,000 and 100/300,000. instead of the present coverage of 10/20,000. Mr. Shannahan was given authority to decide whether to increase policy or not.

Milton Fairbank reported having interviewed ~~Almer~~ ^{George} Spence who would like to work for the Utilities Commission. He was asked to see Mr. Spence and make an appointment for him to meet the Commissioners at an early date.

A motion was made and carried to increase the salary of Milton Fairbank from \$55⁰⁰ a week to \$65⁰⁰, to take effect at once.

There being no further business ⁶ the meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Clifton L. Hoze, sec.

June - 1948

The regular ^{monthly} meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held June 9, 1948. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. Norman M. Shannahan at 5 o'clock.

Minutes of the May meeting read and approved.

The following bills were ordered paid

Freight	2 48
Westinghouse Electric Corp.	27 32
A. B. Chance Co.	15 35
Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co.	10 72
Buds Tydol Service	24 36
The Eastern Shore Public Service Conf. Md	33 02 14
Rudes Service Station (Kerosene)	7 83
The Joslyn Co.	45 83
Rumsey Electric Co.	72 98
Comptroller of the Treasury of Md ^{sales tax}	93 47
Addressograph-Multigraph Corp	2 63
Town Commissioners 1/2 sign (painting)	8 00
Ruth Startt, Reg of Mills	25
D. Hughes de Compto - notary fee	25
Making a total of	<u>3613 64</u>

The following Meter Deposit Refund were ordered to be paid:

Norman Roe	5 00
Elwood Harrison	5 00
Russell Newnam	5 00
Mrs. Wm. H. Bailey	5 00
Robert Berry	5 00
Carlton Pinder	5 00
Mary C Carruthers	5 00
Fred A Levening	5 00
Robt A. Dodson, mag. office	5 00
Elwood James	5 00
Wm L. Lambdin	5 00
Samuel V. Shannahan	5 00

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J. H. Critchlow	500
Earle Haddaway	250
James Harper	500
R. E. Manders	<u>500</u>
Making a total of	7750

The secretary presented a list of names of people who had ^{in times past} made meter deposits who were not now using current. These when address is known will be refunded.

It was reported that the Commission paid to the F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co., Inc. for trimming trees during Jan, Feb and March of this year \$4366.56.

The Auditors Report for 1947 was discussed. The report showed a balance at the end of the year - in the general fund ^{in St. Mich Bank} \$4,274.45 and in the Miles River Neck Sinking Fund in the Co. Trust Co. \$5,784.62 making a total of cash on hand Dec. 31, 1947 of \$10,059.07

Of this amount \$5,059.07 is to be turned over to the Town of St. Michaels. Due to the fact that so much money was expended for tree trimming, the checking account would not take care of this amount. A motion was made and carried to close the account in the County Trust Company and deposit that amount in the general fund. The secretary was ordered to write to the County Trust Company stating the Utilities Commission wished to close the account July 2, 1948.

Mr. Shannahan requested the secretary write to the Town Commissioners stating that it was important that there be improvements made in the office.

A letter ordered written to Arlington Flamer asking him to give attention to his bill or it would be put into the hands of a collector.

It was reported that Frank H. Spunry & Sons were sanding floors with sander connected by passing meter, and at times when connected with meter damage was

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caused to the meter. A letter was ordered written to the firm asking them to contact Milton Fairbank when work was to be done so he could advise them and set rate for use of current.

A letter from Benson + Wales read giving cost of increased accident policy for truck. Policy has been increased to \$100/300,000 the cost being \$34.81.

A letter from Ruth Startt, Register of Wills read concerning bill of S. O. Seymour. Secretary ordered to file bill of \$6.66.

The rates of the Poptank Electric Cooperative were discussed. It was the general opinion that these rates are too low and that it is causing a loss to the Commission.

A letter was ordered written to The Public Service Commission to send some one to check over rates in general with the idea of adding an oil clause.

It was reported that Mr. Quillen requests that the St. Michael's Utilities Commission purchase one of the three transformers to be used in connection with his ~~plant~~ ^{present} plant as the ^{present} transformer which are to be replaced by the 50 KW's are still usable. Motion made and carried to purchase one 50 KW Transformer for use at St. Michael's Milling Co.

Mr. Shannahan reported that at a special meeting it was agreed to employ George W. Spence to work with Milton Fairbank to start at \$40.00 per week. At the expiration of three months if he proved to be capable his salary would be raised to \$45.00. At the end of another three months if he proved satisfactory his salary would be raised to \$50.00.

A motion made and carried to raise the salary of Donney LeCompte from \$35.50 to \$40.50 to take effect at once.

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Mr. Lee suggested a clause be added to the regulations of the Commission that no newly wired houses be connected until a card is received in the office.

The secretary was authorized to order more addressograph plates.

Orison Fairbank thanked the Commissioners for his raise in salary.

Attention was called to the fact that there were two lights that burned continuously at the Fire House. This causes quite a waste of current and as the Fire Co. does not pay for electric current the Commissioners felt that something should be done to avoid such a waste. For the first five months of 1948, had bills been sent the Fire Company the total amount would have been \$35³³. The president, Mr. Shannon, appointed George Lee to contact the Fire Co. and instruct them as to how to rewire so as to be able to extinguish lights during daytime. Mr. Lee asked the secretary to write a letter to the Fire Co. explaining the situation and referring them to him for advice if it was needed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Nye, sec.

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The regular monthly meeting of The St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, July 14. The president, Mr. Norman M. Shannahan called the meeting to order at 8:00 o'clock.

Mr. Carroll Jones, from Pea Neck, was present, in the interest of extending electric line down Pea Neck Road. As this had been talked about before Milton Fairbank reported that he had contacted Mr. Scherer who owns a line from the County Road to his property. Mr. Scherer stated there would be seven immediate customers including himself. The ^{present} line cost him \$395.00. If the other six customers would pay him \$56.45 ^(1/7 of the full amount) each, he would deed the line over to the St. Michaels Utilities Commission. It was decided to check up and determine what it would cost to ~~put~~ ^{extend} this line and notify Mr. Jones before Saturday of same week.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to contact Mr. Scherer again to ask him how much he would sell his line out right to the St. M. Util. Com. It was the general opinion of the commissioners that the Commission could furnish a line along the County road.

The minutes of the June 9th meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shannahan reported he had talked to members of the St. Michaels Volunteer Fire Department about the lights and they agreed to turn off light inside the Fire House and use a 25 watt bulb in outside light which would be permitted to burn continuously.

The secretary reported having written letters to Russell Beahn and W. E. Slaughter & Sons about floor sanding, the same as was written to Frank H. Spurry & Sons.

A letter from L. H. Stafford read stating \$35.00 would cover cost of preparing agreement for Copperville line and recording of same.

Mr. Shannahan reported that the State Road franchise

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expired in 1941 and had not been renewed. The question was brought up as to what agreement the Commission might have with the County. It was suggested to employ a lawyer to look into these matters and it was agreed that Mr. Shannahan see if Mr. Hughlett Henry would take care of it.

A statement prepared by D. Hughes LeCompte was presented showing a comparison of receipts and expenses of the 1st six months of 1947 and 1st 6 mo. of 1948.

Total receipts of 6^{mo} 1948 - \$ 33,353.51

" " 6^{mo} 1947 - 28,026.60

Making 6 mo of 1948 - \$ 5326.91 more than same 1947

Total expenses for 6 mo 1948 - \$27246.92

" " " 1947 18255.86

Showing expenses in 1948 greater than '47 by \$ 8991.06

Profit for 6 mo 1947 - 9770.74

" " " 1948 - 6106.59

Showing profit for 6 mo '47 greater than '48 by \$ 3664.15

A motion was made and carried to pay to the town \$5059.07. This was the amount on hand in excess of \$5000 Dec. 31, 1947.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Comptroller of the Treasury of Md sales tax	102.66
The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md	3710.02
Collector of Internal Revenue - with holding tax	114.40
O. W. Conkran & Co. audit	150.00
The Easton Star Democrat pub. audit.	30.00
Freight	1.34
Door Key	35
P. O. Box Rent	75
Stamps	1.00
Rumsey Elec. Co.	156.72
C. & P. Tel. Co.	132.9
Claude Ireland	257.00
Westinghouse Elec. Corp	174.10
Addressograph-Multigraph Corp.	1.45
Bud's Tydol Service	41.12

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Rude's Service Sta.	8 85
Jas. T. Morris renew bond CL Hope	30 00
Clifton Hope & Son	3 56
Town Commissioners <u>Lawning</u>	37 50

Making a total of 48 55 11

The following refunds were ordered to be paid

The Knit Shop	5 00
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Jos. Diamond	5 00
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C. Howard Paffin	5 00
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Francis D. Handy	<u>5 00</u>
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Making a total of 20 00

The secretary reported having placed an ad in the Easton Star Democrat for man for hire work. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to employ two men if they were available. Salary to be \$30⁰⁰ per week.

A letter from the Town Commissioners was read asking the Utilities Commissioners to set a date to meet to discuss office improvements. The date was set for Wednesday, July 21st, 8 P.M. and the secretary instructed to notify the Town Commissioners.

A letter from Maynard Stewart, Scout Master, read asking that the Boy Scouts be granted \$1.25 per month for current. Request granted.

A letter from D. Hughes DeCompte, book keeper for the Utilities read - asking for raise in salary. Motion carried to raise salary \$100⁰⁰ per year making monthly payments - \$37⁵⁰.

Mr. Lee made a suggestion that in time of night storms there should be some designated place for telephone calls, preferably in the shop. Suggestion made that with a larger working force this could be done.

A letter ^{from C + P. Tel. Co.} in connection with the Church Neck line read. The secretary was instructed to

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ask Mr. Wright to call Mr. Shannahan to make arrangements to talk over agreement.

Mr. Fairbank mentioned a colored settlement between Rinkham and Diamonds corner that had no electricity. It was agreed that a line should be run and was suggested that a pole be planted as soon as possible.

A letter read from Davis C. Burroughs complaining about bills. The secretary was instructed to write a letter to the Public Service Commission asking to have representative check this meter. The Utilities to pay the \$1.00 for this service.

The secretary was granted a two week's vacation with pay. Time to be determined by her as to when it would be best to be away from office.

Mr. Lee brought up the subject of having one meter for both light and power. Stating it would save time in reading, it would be a means of selling more electricity and the difference in cost would be very little.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to look into the matter of a two way radio.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Cliff L. Sage, sec.

Bal on Hand May 31	checking	794506
	County Trust Co	578462
		1372968
Receipts for June		510037
		1883005
Disbursements		436704
Bal on hand June 30 th		1446601

August - 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, August 11, 1948 - all members of the Board present. Mr. Shannahan called meeting to order.

Minutes of the July meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported he had hired two young men to help in line work - Franklin Ray Kilmon and Thomas S. Schnaitman.

It was decided that in the future all electric current used by town, such as street lights and pumping station, fire house and office be billed at cost.

Mr. Fairbank reported having set two poles from Diamonds Corner toward colored settlement.

Mr. Shannahan reported he had talked with X Mr. T. Hughlett Henry who consented to look into the matter of franchise.

The C & P. Telephone Co. will plant 35 foot poles down Pea Neck Road as far as the Jones property. Mr. Scherer has agreed to turn over to the Utilities the electric line now in existence for the sum of \$338.55.

It was suggested that all electric poles be numbered.

A letter from Z. H. Stafford with a letter from Mrs. Marie Blake read. Mr. Stafford had sent papers to Mrs. Blake to sign in connection with the Copperville line. Mrs. Blake refused to sign papers unless utilities agreed to remove poles from her property. Secretary instructed to write a letter to Mrs. Blake explaining that a number of trees would have to be cut beside the fact of expense to move poles and asking her to reconsider the matter.

The following bills were read and ordered paid -

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The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md	3976 00	
The Easton Star Democrat	2 40	
Rumsey Electric Co - 4 bills	149 25	
Bnds Tadol Service	57 69	
C & P. Telephone Co.	11 21	
Freight	2 74	
Postage	46	
Comptroller of the Treas.	100 68	
Westinghouse Electric Corp.	614 64	
Claude Ireland	65 00	
Noble Motor Co.	2 88	
Ruders Service Station	50	
The Nuttle St. M. Lumber Co.	66	
Making a total of	4984 11	4984 11
The following refunds ordered paid		
Floyd Lomar	5 00	
Carroll Harrison (on bill)	5 00	
Gordon Cummings (on bill)	20 00	
Jeannette Needs	5 00	
Making a total of -	35 00	35 00
Grand total of		5019 11
The following statement was presented by the secretary -		
July 1 - Bal on hand	14466 01	
July receipts	6112 79	
Int. County Trust Co.	28 92	
Total	20,607 72	
Disbursements for July	12,182 76	
July 31 - Bal on hand	8,424 96	
A number of long standing ^{sundry} bills were read.		
It was decided to charge off \$.38 balance owed by Mrs. J. O. Miller. Two bills were to be sent with a gentle reminder and if not paid by Sept. meeting other steps would be taken. Bill to OR Kirby to be sent to Mr. Bache as materials bot were		

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used for work done for him. Mr. Lee offered to see Otis Stoker about his bill.

The question of fire and theft insurance on Ford Truck was discussed. No decision.

A proposed new development south of the County Road about half way between Diamonds Corner and Kinkham was mentioned. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to contact the present property owners in regards to electric current. S.M. Utilities will carry line on County Road (~~to the head of the lane~~) if property owners will furnish line from there in.

It was reported that the Utilities Commissioners and Town Commissioners met the evening of July 21st to discuss office improvements. The decision was that the Town Commissioners will attend to having work done and the Utilities will pay for the work.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Cliff L. Rye, sec.

September - 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, September 8th. Those present were Messers Shannahan, Lee, Fairbank and LeCompte and the secretary.

Minutes of the August meeting read and corrected. Hughes LeCompte presented the monthly statement for August showing a profit of \$678.35.

Mr. Shannahan stated that beginning the first Monday of October the Utilities office would be open morning and afternoon. - 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 4:30. Mr. LeCompte was asked to continue as book keeper to the end of September. The secretary would then take over the work.

Mr. Fairbank reported progress in planting poles on County Road toward the colored settlement. He also reported Mr. Lewis would have to get a right of way to have line taken in to his property.

It was reported that the transformers for Mr. Quillen were here.

Mr. Lee reported having talked to Otis Stoker about bill of \$49.94. Mr. Stoker made the proposition that he would deed his line to Utilities for settlement of bill. Motion made and carried to accept the offer. Mr. Shannahan asked Mr. Fairbank to see Mr. Hughlett Henry to get him to fix necessary papers for maintaining line.

Mr. Fairbank reported having given Mrs. Alice Perry an estimate of \$625⁰⁰ to erect line into the Dawson Farm, Church Neck. The secretary was instructed to write a letter to Mrs. Perry stating the line could be erected for that amount and any replacement of poles also would be at their expense.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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Workmans Compensation Policy	124 65	
St. Michaels Nuttle Lumber Co.	9 64	
Rumsey Elec. Co. 3 bills	137 14	
R.L. Cohee - freight	8 25	
The Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md	4112 30	
Bud's Tidal Service	48 80	
Westinghouse Elec. Corp. 2 bills	1328 60	
Marshall's Express	1 87	
Rumsey Elec. Co. 2 bills	28 85	
Claude Ireland	515 00	
Clifton Hope & Son	9 67	
C. & P. Tel. Co.	12 99	
Comptroller of the Treas. of Md.	<u>107 37</u>	
making a total of		6443 15

The following Meter Deposits were ordered refunded -

James B. Sperry	5 00	
Clyde Handing	5 00	
Virginia Robison	<u>5 00</u>	
a total of		15 00

It was moved and carried to donate to the Salvation Army

making a total of 5 00

The following financial statement for the month of August was read

Aug 1st cash on hand	8424 96
Receipts for month of August	<u>6152 67</u>
Total	14577 63
Checks issued	<u>6278 00</u>
Bal on hand Aug 31st	8299 63

The secretary called attention to three bills of long standing for current used. Mrs Alvey Horine \$19.83, Gordon Cummings - \$45.04, Martin Cummings - \$28.65

As the bills for materials and labor to Thomas Collier and Tolson Cockey have not been paid Mr. Stannahan suggested bills be sent again with

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statement added that "Unless paid this month will be placed in hands of collector."

It was decided to change the time of the meetings from 8:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

Edith L. Hayes, Sec.

Correction - On a motion duly made and seconded the secretary's salary will be \$167⁵⁰ per month from October 1st

Edith L. Hayes

October - 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was called to order Wednesday night, October 13th, 1948 at 7:30. Those present were Messrs Phannahan, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of the September meeting were read and corrected.

The matter of making a bid on a ~~post~~^{line} truck belonging to the Telephone Co. was discussed. A motion made and carried to send in bid of \$700⁰⁰.

The subject of rates was again discussed. It was decided to write to the Public Service Commission asking permission to add a fuel clause to take effect Nov. 1st.

It was decided to change the billing date of all rural customers to the middle of the month. This done for the purpose of distributing work of secretary. The secretary was authorized to order 5000 bills on postal cards and 1000 on paper.

The secretary was instructed to send to the Sheriff for collection bills as follows.

Thomas Collier dated Aug 12 1947 \$7³⁰
 Tolson Cockey dated Dec 6, 1947 \$24²⁶
 and Bills^{for} Gordon Cummings and Martin Cummings
 balance due on electric current \$45⁰⁴ and
 \$28⁶⁵ respectively.

The agreement with Otis Stoker had not been drawn up. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to see Mr. Henry and have him draw up necessary papers.

The following bills were ordered paid:

The Eastern Shore Public Service Bd	\$3891 ³⁰
Comptroller of the Treas. of Md	114 ⁸⁸
Director of Internal Revenue	163 ¹⁰
Bnd's Tx do. Service	31 ¹³

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	Clifton Hope + Son	153
	Lucas Bros. Inc.	210
	Campbell Elec. Co. repairing clock	15 50
	C + P. Tel. Co.	11 51
	Malcolm Caplan - postal cards for bills	50 00
Cash	{ P.O. Box Rent	75
	{ Bulb for truck	31
	{ Material for mending truck seat	90
	{ Envelopes + cards	1 00
	{ Freight	1 34
	{ M H Voshell - crane service	3 00
	Claude Ireland	32 00
	Las. F Baker (repairing demand)	5 00
	Rumsey Elec. Co. 5 bills	217 19
	Westinghouse Elec Corp 3 bills	1118 00
	Making a total of	5660 54
The following meter deposits were ordered refunded		
	R. G. Neibaner	5 00
	Jos. Messick (St. Mit Laundry)	10 00
	Jas. B. Jackson	5 00
	Albert Marshall garage	10 00
	Gus Hayman	5 00
	Lita Lee Fluharty	5 00
	Grand total	<u>40 00</u>
		5700 54

A statement from D Hughes Delcompte showed an estimated profit for September of \$622 42.

The financial statement for the month of September is as follows.

Sept. 1 - Cash on hand	8299 63
Sept. Receipts	5979 69
Total	14279 32
Checks Issued	7231 91
Sept 30, Bal on hand	<u>7047 41</u>

It was suggested that the timing of street lights should be made to cut down unnecessary

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lighting so as to cut down on expenses as much as possible.

It was decided to change the minimum rate (\$1.25) to all customers not using current and where current has not been cut off. It was also decided to apply gross rates after the 15th of the month as called for on bills. A letter is to be written to customers announcing these decisions also of the fuel adjustment, if granted and change in date of bills to rural customers.

The secretary suggested adopting a card system to replace the present ledger and cash book. It was decided to postpone this and continue with the present system.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Chas. L. Hoyle, sec.

November-1948

The Regular monthly meeting was held Friday evening - November 12, 1948. Meeting called to order by the president, Mr. Norman M. Shannahan. Minutes of the October meeting read and approved. The secretary reported having sent four bills to the sheriff for collection. Collier, Horine, G. Cummings and M. Cummings.

Mr. Fairbank reported having contacted Mr. Hughlett Henry about drawing up papers for the Otis Stoker line. It was reported that the Line Truck had been purchased from the C+P Tel Co for \$700⁰⁰.

Mr. Shannahan reported having had a talk with Mr. Dyer of the Public Service Commission concerning our rates. According to Mr. Dyer, the Public Service Com. think our present monthly profits are sufficient and advise waiting until the first of next year before doing anything else about rates.

The secretary had secured ^{a copy of} rates from the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md. for comparison with our rates.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the line from Diamonds Corner to the Colored settlement could not be completed until a right of way could be obtained from Mrs. Sammons. He had contacted her but she does not want to take any action until after Christmas. The secretary was instructed to write a letter to Mrs. Sammons asking permission to run line along edge of woods.

The following bills were ordered paid

Rumsey Electric Co	11.01	11 01
The Joslyn Co - 3 bills	{ 77.15 20.13 17.20	124 51
C+P Telephone Co. Line Truck		700 00
C+P Telephone Co. bills		11 44
W.C. Mills - Pub Liability Policy		112 00
Commissioner of Motor Vehicles Title		1 00

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Comptroller of the Treas	101 74	
The Eastern Shore Pub. Ser. Co. of Md	4081 10	
Lucas Boos.	206	
Shannahan Artesian Well Co Inc.	86	
Rowlenson Printing Co.	28 75	
Bud's Tydol Service	28 33	
Alfred L. Smith.	10 75	
Clifton Hope & Son	6 33	
Rudes Service Station	40 25	
Stewarts Express	268	
Cash - Notary Public	25	
H. E. Dixdorf	248 21	
Malcolm Caplan - envelopes	<u>34 18</u>	
Making a total of		5545 45
Meter Deposit Refund ordered paid to Wm R. Jones	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
Grand total of		<u>5550 45</u>

The monthly statement of receipts and expenses showed an estimate profit of \$585.86 for the month of October.

The financial report for October was as follows:

Bal on hand Oct 1 st	7047 41
Receipts for Oct.	7165 25
Total	14212 66
Checks Issued	<u>7623 33</u>
Bal on hand Oct 31 st	<u>6589 33</u>

The secretary was authorized to order envelopes, Ledger Sheets and Red Ink Stand.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Stafford asking for the deed to The Copperville Line.

It was decided to follow the Rules of the Commission more closely in regards to payment of bills. For Town bills - any bills remaining unpaid until the 10th day of the succeeding month, current will be cut off. For Rural - bills unpaid until the

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25th of the succeeding month current will be cut off.
\$1.00 extra to be charged for reconnecting.

There being no further business the meeting
adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec

December - 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was called to order Wednesday evening, December 8, 1948 at 7:30 by the president, Mr. Norman M. Shannahan.

Minutes of the November meeting read and approved.

X A letter was read from Mr. T. Hughlett Henry stating he had appeared before the Board of County Commissioners Nov. 16, 1948 and made application for franchises to the Commissioners of St. Michaels for ~~an~~ electric lines⁽¹⁾ over Pea Neck Road and the road branching off to the property of Carroll Jones and ⁽²⁾ over The Kirkham Road from the Easton - St. Michaels Road to the property of Barclay H. Trippe.

A letter from Public Service Commission read asking for information concerning number of miles of rural electric lines constructed and number of new customers in 1948

A letter from Otto L. Thompson, Jr read asking about running a line to his property on Long Hall Creek. Mr. Fairbank was asked to write Mr Thompson giving him price for construction of such a line.

The secretary reported having received the deed for the Copperville Line.

A letter from the Talbot County Tuberculosis Association containing 300 T.B. stamps. The secretary was instructed to send a check for 200 stamps and return the other 100.

It was decided to sign an agreement with the Bunnoughs Adding Machine Co. to service the office adding machine. The fee being \$13.50 per year.

The secretary was instructed to write to the agent of the State Farm Mutual Automobile

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Insurance Co. cancelling the insurance on the Ford Truck. Said truck to be insured same as Chevrolet with Benson & Wales.

The following bills were ordered paid

Pumsey Electric Co - 2 bills	^{20.87} 11.71	32 58
Benson & Wales ins.		46 71
Marshall's Express 2 bills	¹⁴⁷ 124	2 71
L. J. Fitzpatrick work on office		10 19 35
Gas T Morris ins.		12 99
Geo. B. Taylor		10 40
The Okonite Co.		104 28
Red Flags for Line Truck		59
R. L. Cohee - freight		2 26
C & P Tel. Co.		11 33
Eastern Shore Pub. Ser. Co. of Md.		4233 70
Comptroller of the Treasury		47 16
Rowlenson Printing Co.		10 00
Addressograph - Multigraph Corp		5 10
Greenfield Company		36 83
Stewart's Express - 2 bills	¹⁷⁰ 170	3 40
W. N. Grainger		11 03
Clifton Hope & Son		21 71
Buds Tydol Service		14 80
Rudes Service Sta 2 bills		19 22
Lucas Bros, Inc		3 62
The Superior Switchboards & Devices Co.		38 46
Cash - Stamps - 7 ⁰⁰ freight	³⁶³	10 63
Central Garage		7 63
T. B. Stamps		2 00
Burrongs Adding Machine Co		13 50
Making a total of		5721 99

The following meter deposits were ordered refunded —

Ruth Tarbent	20 00
Roland Sard	5 00
Herman Dodd	5 00

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Hattie King	500
Herman Church	500
Total	<u>4000</u>

Making a grand total of 5761.99

The Statement of Income and Expenses showed a loss for Nov. of \$3,307.04. This was due to the fact that only the town bills had been sent out. For the eleven months there was an estimated profit of \$2,063.84.

The financial statement for Nov. was as follows:

On hand Nov 1 st	6589.33
Nov. Receipts	<u>6890.48</u>
Total	13479.81
Checks Issued	<u>6723.49</u>
Bal. on hand Nov. 30 th	<u>6756.32</u>

The matter of changing rates was again brot up. It was decided to write the Public Service Commission stating the full schedule of rates the Utilities desired to be put into effect Jan. 1, 1949.

The proposed changes are as follows:-

Rural Rates - First 40 KWH change from 8¢ net and 9¢ gross to 7¢ net and 8¢ gross. Next 40 KWH change from 6¢ net and 7¢ gross to 5¢ net and 6¢ gross. A fuel adjustment clause added to both town and rural rates, changing the same per KWH as is changed the Utilities by the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md. The above change in Rural Rates not to be made without the fuel adjustment.

Minimum Bill: Commercial and Power to be changed to Minimum Bill: Combination Lighting and Power - \$1.00 per K.W. of connected load up to 5 K.W. and 50¢ per K.W. for excess over 5 K.W. but not exceeding 15 K.W.

Rates for Large Power Customers to be added as follows:
Energy charge - 3 cents for the ^{first} 2000 KWH and 2 cents per KWH above 2000.

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Fuel charge to be at same rate as billed to the Utilities
Demand charge to be \$50.00 up to and including 120 K.W.
and \$2.00 per K.W. in excess of 120.

In the Rules and Regulations it is to be shown that
part of the customers are to be billed at a different
date than the 1st of the month, and be worded so as
to comply with either date.

The following Resolution was presented and a motion
made and carried to adopt same:—

Resolved that when a man goes to cut off current
if any one is home that will pay the bill to date
at that time he is to accept it otherwise cut
current off.

It was reported that the roof over the office leaks
and that the rain drives in under the second floor
door. Mr. Fairbank is to take care of the door
and the secretary was instructed to write to the
Town Commissioners saying we feel they should take
care of the roof.

All bills received in December are to be paid
before the end of the year.

The secretary was instructed to charge off the
account of Hattie King - \$10.39. Alley Horne

A motion made and carried to give employees
\$10.00 each for Christmas.

The secretary reported three more bills would
be sent the sheriff for collection if not paid by
Dec. 15th. Kirby \$28.77 Jones \$9.66, Jackson \$8.63

Mr. Fairbank reported having used the line truck
setting 9 poles, pulling 2, setting up Christmas
tree and pulling mule out of ditch.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned
at 10:00 P.M.

Edna L. Payne, Sec.

January - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of The St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, January 12, 1949. Those present being Messrs. Shannahan, Jones, and Fairbank and the secretary. The meeting was called to order by the president Mr. Norman M. Shannahan.

Minutes of The December meeting read and approved.

The Contract between St. Michaels Utilities and Choptank Electric Cooperative having been signed by ^{The president and Sec. of Choptank} two Town Commissioners and two Utilities Commissioners The Secretary was asked to secure the signatures of the others and forward a copy to the Choptank with two extra copies asking that they be signed and returned for the purpose of filing with the Public Service Commission.

Letters read from Mrs. P. K. Wright, Mrs. Lawrence L. Driggs, Mrs. Louis F. Coffin, and Mrs. Myrtle H. Fletcher. All willing to turn their lines over to The Utilities if Utilities will increase power on lines. It was moved & carried to run three #6 wires from transformer to pole where Driggs and Dickson ^{are} attached. Then use the #8 wire, which is taken down, as a third wire to the houses. Mrs. Fletcher's line being under ground would necessitate her furnishing a pole to run the third wire. The transformers would be changed from 3KVA to 5KVA. Mr. Fairbank estimated the cost of material for this change would be \$75 or \$80.

Correspondence read from Joseph and Virginia Carr, in regard to their line and transformer. It was decided to offer the Carrs \$100.00 for their line.

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A letter from Mr. Howard Bowman at Doncaster read complaining about lack of power. Mr. Fairbank reported he had talked to Mr. Bowman and told him the only thing that would correct his trouble would be a three wire service.

A letter read from Town Commissioners asking that light pole in Medford Voshell's yard be moved to North Harbor Road.

A letter from the Town Commissioners reappointing George S. Lee, Utilities Commissioner for a period of three years beginning Jan 1, 1949.

The officers of the previous year were re-elected for 1949 - namely - Norman M. Shannahan - president, J. Clifton Jones, Treasurer, and Clifton L. Hope, Secretary.

The following bills were ordered paid	
Eastern Shore Pub. Ser. Co. of Md.	4631.66
P.O. Box Rent.	75
Benson & Nales, Ins.	50.68
C. & P. Tel. Co.	11.23
Burroughs Adding Mach. Co.	60
Addresso - Multi - Corp	4.38
Walter Burns - painting	28.75
Pennsylvania RR - freight	2.00
Collector of Internal Rev.	208.70
Rumsey Elec. Co.	149.55
Clifton Hope & Son	4.69
Rude's Ser. Sta. - Kerosene	11.75
Lucas Bros, Inc.	45.29
Dnd's Tydol Service	17.45
Central Garage	17.63
Harry M. Evans & Sons	8.00
Stewart's Express	1.70
Comptroller of the Treas.	130.01
Remington Rand	13.52
Stamps -	56

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Philip W. Harrison sent	10 00	
The Little St. Mich. Lumber Co	<u>1 12</u>	
Making a total of		5350 02
The following Myter Deposits were ordered refund.		
B. M. Gattler	5 00	
R. B. Ingraham	5 00	
Norman Milen	10 00	
G. W. Kesselring	<u>5 00</u>	
Making a total of		<u>25 00</u>
Grand total		5375 02

Mr. Shannahan reported that Mr. Dyer of the Public Service Commission would be here some time in January to talk over the change in rates. Mr. Fairbank suggested that it would be a good idea when discussing rates with Mr. Dyer to mention the fact that the line from the plant to the transformers and the line from transformers to the mill would have to be replaced this year and that it would cost a good bit to replace them.

The secretary was authorized to order a new cover for the adding machine.

A few items of unfinished business were brot up by Mr. Shannahan. (1) The two way radio, mentioned several months back. Mr. Fairbank said Dr. Buell, Easton had one and ^{would} contact him for information.

Mr. Fairbank reported having asked Rumsey Elec. Co. for prices for materials for numbering poles. Also ^{that} the map of our lines was partly finished.

The secretary was asked to write Mrs Sammons again about right of way along her woods. The secretary was asked to see to having sign on office changed showing correct hours.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30. *Edith L. Lofgren, sec.*

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Mr. Norman M Shannahan, Mr. Milton H. Fairbank and The secretary were the only ones present for the Regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission March 9th, 1949.

The following business was transacted pending the approval of one or both of the other Commissioners.

The following bills were ordered paid

E S P S C of Md		4328 46
C & P. Tel. Co.		10 42
Lucas Bros. Inc.		201
Ramsey Electric Co.	4 bills ^{9.51} 23.94 _{16.65} ^{7.15}	57 25
Stewart's Express	2 bills ^{1.70} _{1.70}	3 40
Easton Star Democrat		4 50
Central Garage		22 24
M. F. Caplan - envelopes	^{24.16} _{.90}	25 06
Burroughs Add. Machine Co.		1 50
Clifton Hope & Son		2 65
Freight		2 38
Geo. B. Taylor		10 40
Bud's Tydol Service		16 24
Jos. Carr & Virginia Carr		100 00
Comptroller of the Treas.		113 23
Ramsey Elec. Co.		211 61
C. & P. Tel. Co.		11 52
Freight -		1 74
Consolidated Supply Co.		9 30
E. S. P. S. C. of Md.		3765 37
Comptroller of the Treas.		109 18
Clifton Hope & Son		8 56
The Easton Journal		6 00
Rud's Service Sta. Kerosene		10 45
" " " gas		2 44
Central Garage		15 70
Bud's Tydol Service		6 73
Making a total of		8862 05
The following Meter Deposits to be refunded		

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Philip Rnss	500
I. W. Matthai	500
Harry M. Baldwin shop	500
Frank Butler	500
Mangaret Hoke	500
H. T. Pickering	500
Olivia Tomes	500
Boverly Bryan shop	<u>1000</u>
Making a total of	4500
Making a grand total of	<u>8907 65</u>

A letter from Venton R. Harrison was read stating cost of installing a two way radio to cover a radius of 4 to 6 miles. His price is \$300⁰⁰. Mr. Fairbank is to get more information about it.

Mr. Fairbank suggested a radio in the truck for finding noise on the line. One could be purchased and installed for \$45⁰⁰. Mr. Shannahan was in favor of this.

The secretary called attention to the fact that R. Eugene Rude had been paying too much as a minimum charge for power for eleven months. The amount over paid was \$22⁴⁴. This to be refunded.

The State Roads Commission had questioned the arrears on their bills as it was impossible to pay bills before time for Net Rate expired. Mr. Shannahan agreed that arrears should be charged but as it did take so long for them to pay if they omitted the arrears not to insist on payment.

The salaries of Franklin R. Kilmer and Thomas S. Schnaitman are to be raised from \$30⁰⁰ per week to \$32⁵⁰ beginning the week of March 14th.

When customers order their current to be

reconnected a bill is to be sent them at once for \$1.00 reconnecting charge. and if not paid when monthly electric bills are sent out it is to be included in their bill.

Mr. Longfellow having complained that he doesn't have power enough to run his motons, Mr. Fairbank is to look into it.

The secretary reported the following

Bal. on hand Dec. 31, 1948	339453	
Deposits for Jan	716452	
Deposits for Feb	622111	
	<u>1678016</u>	1678016
Checks Issued Jan	120208	
Checks Issued Feb.	565531	<u>685739</u>
Bal. Feb 28, 1949		992277

Rate of Fuel Oil Adjustment changes at the time St. Michaels bills are issued. In other words Rural bills are to bear the same rate as St. Michaels bills sent out the first of that month.

Chfta L. Hope, sec.

April - 1949

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, April 13, 1949.

Minutes of January and March meetings read and approved.

A delegation consisting of Mr. Campbell, Mr. Mordock and Mrs. Mordock came for the purpose of asking the Utilities to grant permission to the R.E.A. to cross our line so as to take current to their property. This followed a letter which had just been received by the Commission. They preferred the R.E.A. mainly because they could pay for the line over a period of years. Mr. Shannahan tried to assure them that the Commission was trying to get the line down the County Road near their property and that he felt some arrangements could be made which would be of satisfaction to them.

The Ordinances pertaining to the purchase of the Pea Neck Line and the line from Kirkham had been approved by the Town Commissioners and were to be sent back to Mr. Hughlett Henry.

Mr. Shannahan mentioned the amount Mr. Bache has been paying for current to heat his house. The question was asked if there was any way special rates could be given him.

The question of building an extension to the Miles River Neck Line ^{on County Road} was discussed. This line to serve Mr. Voyt, Mr. Dabney and others. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to figure out the cost of building this line.

It was suggested that ~~where~~ lines were erected for private customers some arrangement be made to pay for lines by monthly payments. This to be taken up later.

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The matter of increasing voltage at Newcomb for Lloyd Cherbannien, Stankey Cook, and Dr Perkins was discussed. It was decided the thing to do is to install a 5KVA transformer on the 5th pole from the Newcomb - Royal Oak Road at their expense. The secretary was instructed to write letters to the three parties concerned giving them that information.

Mr. Fairbank was asked to see Mr. Henry Collins and ask permission for a right of way thru his property for line to serve Messrs. Lewis, Mundock and Lee.

Mr. George Lee was asked to check on the two-way radio proposition and if he found it to be satisfactory to order same to be installed.

The secretary reported the books having been audited for 1948.

The secretary reported a verbal request from the ESPSC to use Utilities' poles along the Morse property at the edge of town for their wires high tension line. The Commission ^{is} are not in favor of this and a letter is to be written to that effect upon the request is received in writing.

Correspondence from Mary J. Bassett read in regard to electric bill of \$3.48. This having been explained to her several times before the secretary was instructed to write Miss Bassett telling her it was useless to try to explain further and that her current could not be reconnected until bill was paid and that there would also be a charge of \$1.00 to reconnect.

A letter from Theodore Fletcher read concerning three wire service. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Fletcher again telling him if he wanted the three wire and have range installed the Commission would do the work free of charge. If they wanted it without having range it would cost them \$75.00.

The following bills were ordered to be paid

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Geo. B. Taylor & Son	coal	10 50
C & P. Tel. Co.		10 56
Westinghouse		68 23
Addresso - Multi Corp		2 37
St. Mich. Bank	check book	2 00
Malcolm Caplan	PO Box rent	75
Notary		25
Postage - (Reports)		1 17
Collector of Internal Rev.		184 50
Comptroller of the Treas.		105 70
ESPSC. of Md.		3959 42
Rude's Service Station	- gas	23 35
Centaal Garage		1 40
Bnd's Tydol Service		3 80
Lucas Bros, Inc.		2 01
Clifton Hope & Son		8 95
Rude's Service Station	Ker.	6 09
J.C. Harper		46 70
Rumsey Elec. Co.	38.79 105.76	144 55

Making a total of 4582 30

The following refunds were ordered

Otis K. Jones - over charge 2 02

Meter Deposits

Otis K. Jones 5 00

Ralph Lee 5 00

Howard Wright 5 00 17 02

Making a grand total of 4599 32

The following financial report was given

Bal on hand March 1st 992 77

Deposits for March 6485 69

16358 46

Checks issued 4788 32

Bal on hand March 31st 11570 14

The secretary reported the amount charged on fuel adjustment March 1st Town - \$328⁰⁰ and March 15th Rural - \$338²⁶ Total - \$666²⁶.

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:40

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

A special meeting was called Thursday, April 21st at 1:00 P.M. All Commissioners present also Mr. Fairbank and the secretary and a delegation from the E.S.P.S.C consisting of Messrs. Taylor, Calloway and Dryden. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of the E.S.P.S.C using the Utilities' line location passing the Morse property on the Highway.

Mr. Taylor explained that the ESPSC would replace every other pole with poles 50 or 55 ft in length which would be the poles they would use. They would furnish cross arms on these poles for the Utilities use. They would do all the work as to transferring lines to new poles. Their wires would be stretched so as to give a clearance of at least four feet mid span over the Utilities' poles. Mr. Fairbank explained to them that ~~these~~ existing poles are to be replaced with 35 ft poles. They agreed to clear the 35 ft poles as stated.

The ESPSC wires would eventually carry 22000 voltage and there will be two circuits on the one pole line.

The ESPSC would maintain their own poles and the Utilities will maintain the shorter poles and cross arms on the long poles.

The ESPSC would carry insurance to cover any damage that might occur from their lines.

Mr. Fairbank suggested that while making the change the ESPSC replace all poles, the Utilities furnishing the 35 ft poles.

At the suggestion of Mr. Shannahan

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Mr Taylor agreed to put this entire matter in writing and the Utilities Commission would act on it as soon as it is received.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

May 1949

The May meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was called to order 7:30 P.M. May 11, 1949 by the President. Those present were Messrs Shannahan, Jones Lee, Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of April regular meeting and special meeting read and approved.

Letter from the ESPSC with agreement read. Motion made and carried that Mr. Shannahan sign the agreement and return a copy to the Company.

Mr. Fairbank reported he had been granted permission to run pole line in Miles River Neck along woods and permission to trim trees. The line would be about 3000 ft and would cost approximately \$400.00 for materials.

Mr. Dabney had been given an estimate of \$1200.00 for his part of the line. Mr. Fairbank suggested a franchise for the line on the County Road.

Motion made and carried to approve the extension of the Miles River Neck line subject to Franchise granted.

Mr. Shannahan instructed Mr. Fairbank to contact Mr. T. Hughlett Henry about Franchise.

Mr. Shannahan reported he and Mr. Fairbank went to Balto to appear before the Public Service Commission for hearing about Pea Neck Line and Kirkham Line. The P.S.C. approved the purchase of the Pea Neck Line from Mr & Mrs Seherer and the taking over of the Kirkham Line.

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✓ A letter from Mr. Theodore Fletcher read saying he was moving to Log Haven and to erect the three wire line.

✓ The question arose whether or not it was legal to show Arrears on postal card bills. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Henry on the subject.

Mr. Shannahan presented a bill of \$11⁸³ covering his and Mr. Fairbank's expenses to Baltimore. Motion carried to pay expenses.

The following bills were ordered paid

Rowlenson Printing Co.	23 75
Stewart's Express 2 bills	3 40
Rumsey Electric Co. 5 bills	147 90
Master Trucking Co Inc.	1 75
Westinghouse Elec Corp. 2 bills	450 48
Westinghouse Supply Co.	20 20
J. I. Nells	735 00
C + P. Telephone Co.	12 17
PRR freight	2 10
Post cards + stamps	74
Bud's ^{Tydel} Service	6 23
Lee Elec. Service	6 35
Rudes Service Sta. 2 bills	26 92
Clifton Hope + Son	8 62
ESPSC	3693 50
Comptroller of the Treas.	112 30
The Joslyn Co.	<u>2 58</u>

Making a total of 5248 69

The following Meter Deposits ordered Refunded

G. W. Quinn	5 00
Jas. Thos. Morris	5 00
Frances Chester	5 00
Robert Welsh	5 00
Touissant Brooks	5 00
John Sinclair	5 00

Total 30 00

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Making a grand total of 527869
 A letter read from Comptroller of the Treas. in answer to secretary's letter asking if sales tax should be charged on fuel adjustment. The answer was that sales tax should be charged on the total bill.

It was agreed to enter the purchase of the Carr line according to the purchase price and classified as follows:

Poles	2000
Transformer	6944
Overhead Conductors	1056 10000

A letter from Miles River Yacht Club read asking for ad. to be inserted in this year's Regatta program. A motion to give them a \$10.00 ad made and carried.

Secretary was instructed to refund ~~pay~~ John Sinclair's meter deposit of \$5.00 as he had purchased the house he is living in.

Motion made and carried to furnish a 3KVA ^{trans} to the three customers, Lloyd Chardonier, Stanley Cook and Dr Penkins, provided they furnish the pole.

Mr. Lee mentioned that Mr. Fairbank had told him that as the Utilities had, several months past, stopped paying the long distance personal calls on Fairbanks telephone bill Mrs Fairbank refuses to answer any telephone calls in case of storm or any other emergency of the Utilities Mrs. Fairbank feels that she is due that much compensation for inconvenience caused her at such times. It was agreed to allow Mrs Fairbank \$2.00 a month for long distance calls.

The matter of having name painted on Ford Truck was discussed. Mr. Jones was

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asked to take care of this also having sign on the building changed

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Clifton L. Hoyle, sec.

JUNE - 1949

The Regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, June 8th. Those present were Messrs. Shannahan, Jones, Lee, + Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of the May meeting read and approved. Mr. Jones reported having talked to Wharton about lettering on trucks. But had not been able to see Kenneth Shockley. Mr. Lee mentioned that gold letters could be hot which could be applied like decals. He offered to find out more about them.

Mr. Fairbank reported that Philco had a new two-way radio on the market and that he had written for information.

Mr. Fairbank reported that Mr. Fred Harper had accepted his figures on changing and repairing his line and that the work was about three fourths finished.

He also reported the line down Pea Neck was nearing completion. They had gotten down as far as Schofields with the line and that Mr. H. McGill was hooked up.

Ordinance No. 73 pertaining to the extension of the Miles River Neck Line having been approved by the Town Commissioners had been sent to Mr. Henry.

A letter from Mr. Henry was read stating he had looked into the matter of showing "Arrears" on postal card bills. He stated that he

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could find nothing pertaining to that particular question and that in his opinion the risk in showing arrears would be slight. The Commissioners decided to continue bills as heretofore.

A form letter from the P. S. C. read proposing to have monthly reports from all electric utilities in the State of Maryland.

A postal card from Rev. J. O. Griffin read asking about Meter Deposit Refund. The secretary was instructed to write Rev. Griffin stating the fact that the Trustees of the church were of the opinion that they had paid the deposit but if he could get them to authorize us to pay the deposit to him we would do so.

The following bills were ordered paid.

Westinghouse Elec. Corp. (3 bills)	115 89
Rumsey Elec. Co. (3 bills)	106 45
Addressor Multi. Corp (2 bills)	8 27
Stewarts Express (2 bills)	3 55
C. + P. Tel. Co (3 bills)	15 36
Bunnings Add. Mach. Co.	3 97
Westinghouse Elec. Supply Co. (2 bills)	69 67
Benson + Wales	46 81
Rowlenson Printing Co.	6 50
Artcraft Elec. Supply Co.	102 71
The Joslyn Co.	13 40
Comptroller of the Treas.	105 66
E. S. P. S. C. of Md	3686 86
Postage -	1 00
Rudes Service Sta:	24 81
Clifton Hope + Son	3 18
Lee Elec. Service	21 22
Easton Star Democrat	36 42
Making a total of	<u>4371 73</u>

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The following Meter Deposits were ordered refunded.

Raymond Marshall	500
E. O. Prah	500
Mrs. Wm. McDonald	500
Hilda Colson	500
Mrs. Edgar H. Burns	500

Making a total of 2500

Making a grand total of 4396 73

A motion made and carried that Mr. Fairbank should hereafter be known a Superintendent, and that his salary should be charged to Gen. Office & Misc. Expenses, instead of being divided into several accounts. The secretaries salary is to be charged to Gen. Office Salary instead of being divided.

Mr. Shannahan gave instructions that hereafter all orders sent out should go thru the office and be numbered and a copy be kept in the office and filed under "Orders."

A letter read from Mr. Henry in regard to financing the building of lines for customers.

Mr. Fairbank was asked to make an estimate of cost of line in to Murdock - Lee & Lewis property so a plan could be submitted to the Town Commissioners for their approval.

A motion was made and carried to have the 1948 audit published in the Star Democrat.

It was called to Mr. Fairbank's attention that the trees down Kirkham Road had grown into the wires.

Mr. Shannahan suggested there be something rigged up on the line truck to help in tree trimming, so the utilities men could do the work.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Clifton L. Hoja, sec.

July - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, July 13, 1949. The meeting was called to order by the president. Those present were Messrs Shannahan, Lee, Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of the June meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the Philco two way radio would cost \$1400⁰⁰ f.o.b. The cost being so high it was decided to forget the Philco and look into the one first talked about.

Mr. Lee reported that the gold decal letters were not satisfactory for signs.

Mr. Shannahan mentioned that Mr. Fred Harper told him of four houses near Royal Oak about 300 feet from the present line which wanted current. Mr. Shannahan informed Mr. Harper that the Utilities would run line in if they paid for transformer.

The plan submitted to the Town Commissioners for approval of financing the line to Murdock-Lee-Lewis was approved and Mr. Murdock had been informed that the Utilities Commissioners were ready to talk business. No reply as yet from Mr. Murdock.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the Diamonds Corner line was in progress of completion. The C & P Tel Co. have granted permission for the Utilities to run wires on pole passing the stretch of woods on Mrs. Sammons property. The Utilities have furnished the long poles and the Tel. Co. have set them. Mr. Fairbank expected to have the line completed in another week.

A letter from Raymond Ebenhart read - It was

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a proposition to build the line in Miles River Neck from the end of the present line down to the private lines of Hope House and others. His price was \$1000.00

It was suggested the Utilities might use the telephone poles and Mr. Fairbank was instructed to look into it.

The following bills were ordered paid.

St. Michaels Service Station	3 22
Clifton Hope & Son	2 56
Lee Elec. Service	17 13
Artcraft Elec. Supply Co.	150 62
Malcolm Caplan - Envelopes	43 30
Joslyn Co.	32 20
Westinghouse Elec. Corp (3 bills)	464 07
Freight (+)	15 21
Rowlenson Painting Co.	3 75
Rimsey Elec. Co. (8 bills)	488 66
Central Elec. Supply Co. (3 bills)	328 35
Addresso-Multi. Corp.	2 11
O. W. Conkran	150 00
C & P. Tel. Co.	16 58
Stewarts Express	9 17
Rudes Service Sta.	14 86
E. S. P. S. C. of Md.	3672 28
Easton Star Democrat	42 38
making a total of	<u>5456 45</u>
Net. Pop. Refunds ordered paid to	
Ralph Kirwan	5 00
Judd Rourke	<u>5 00</u> 10 00

making a grand total of

The Firemen have asked for a transformer and line to supply current for their carnival in August. Permission granted.

Mr. Fred Kuehne has asked for a shade to be placed on the light in front of his

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apartment. The secretary was instructed to write The Town Commissioners regarding this.

The line to Mr Norman Marshall's property in Bentley Hay is completed.

Mr. Lee reported that Mr. Mitchell Price is building a six family apartment house on his property at Newcomb. He is desirous of having a line running to this house and has asked what the Utilities can do. It was decided that the Utilities would run a line straight in from the highway furnishing all materials providing Mr. Price would buy the transformer and guarantee us the minimum rate for seven meters from the time the transformer is installed. There will be seven meters used in the house. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Price in duplicate asking him if this was agreeable he would sign one copy and return it to us.

A letter read from Mr. Henry stating he had heard from some of our Kirkham Road customers and they knew nothing about turning their line over to the Commission. Mr. Shannahan agreed to talk to J. McKenny Willis, Jr. and Mrs. Barclay Trippe and asked Mr. Fairbank to talk to Mr. Collins.

A means of communication between office and shop was discussed and it was agreed to purchase the set now owned by Eugene Rude for \$10⁰⁰.

It was agreed to put up pole for Mrs P.K. Wright.

There being no further business The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P. M.

Cliff L. Hoge, sec.

August - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, August 10, 1949. The meeting was called to order by the president at 7:30. Those present were Messrs. Shannahan, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary.

The minutes of the July meeting read and approved. Mr. Shannahan reported having talked to McKenny Willis, Jr about turning over line on Kirkham Road to the Commission. Mr. Willis said he is willing to do this if Mr. Barclay Trippe is willing.

The following bills were ordered paid

Freight - ^{3.14} 2.51	5 65
Envelopes -	32
Ramsey Elec. Co. 6 bills	324 62
Central Elec. Sup. Co	54 33
Gas. J. Morris.	30 00
J. I. Wells Co.	558 60
Ches. + Pot. Tel. Co.	19 21
E. S. P. S. C.	3915 56
Artcraft Elec. Sup. Co.	94 56
Comptroller of the Treas	121 81
St. Mich. Ser. Sta.	4 90
Westinghouse Elec. Corp. 5 bills	534 81
Addressograph - Multi Corp.	2 22
Marshall's Express	3 76
Rudes Service Sta.	18 80
Lee Elec Service	14 84
Refund - Lester Pardoe	<u>5 00</u>
Making a total of	5708 99

The balance in the treasury after paying these bills will be \$9820.41.

The secretary reported that Mr. George Carey has requested a refund on several bills which he feels were too high. A new meter has been installed and his Aug. 1st bill was much lower. Due to the fact

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that the meter was not in for a whole month before reading the Commissioners decided to use the next three months bills as a basis of calculation. The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Carey to that effect.

Mr. Fairbank reported the Diamonds Corner line is completed. Also that Claude Ireland is figuring on the line running back to Murock Lee and Lewis. The Telephone Company men are working ~~to~~ on the Miles River Neck extension line.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the chimney outside the shop is about to fall down and should be fixed before time to have a fire. Mr. Shannahan suggested he have it fixed at once.

Mr. Fairbank said the Telephone Co. had put up poles at Mrs. P. K. Wright's.

~~There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30~~

The question of lowering rates in the higher brackets was discussed. The secretary was asked to find out how many customers used more than 200 KWH in one month. Also more than 250 KWH and more than 300 K. W. H. A special meeting to be called when these figures are available.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30

Olestad L. Noye, sec.

A special meeting was held August 13th for the purpose of determining the reduction of rates.

The secretary presented the following figures taken from one month's billing.

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Customers using more than 200 K.W.H - 150,
 Total K.W.H which would have reduced rates - 48,783

Customers using more than 250 KWH - 112
 Total KWH having reduced rates - 41,958

Customers using more than 300 KWH - 92.
 Total KWH having reduced rates - 37,295

Customers using more than 500 KWH - 51
 Total KWH having reduced rates - 23,624

It was decided to reduce the rates as follows:
 Between 200 KWH and 500 KWH the rate to be
 reduced $\frac{1}{2}$ cent making the rate $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents. All
 over 500 K.W.H. to be reduced 1¢ making
 the rate 2¢.

The secretary was instructed to write the
 Town Commissioners asking their approval
 and requesting they act at once so as
 to advertise in time to use new rates on
 next billing.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

September - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, September 14th. All members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by the president

Minutes of August regular meeting and special meeting of August 12th read and approved.

It was reported that the Town Commissioners had approved of the change in rates, that the Public Service Commission had been notified and that the rates had been duly advertised. The new rate to go into effect beginning with the September 15th bills

Motion made and carried to approve the action of the president to increase the salaries of the employees. The increases are as follows - Milton H. Fairbank from \$65⁰⁰ per week to \$67⁵⁰. Donney D LeCompte from \$40⁵⁰ per week to \$43⁰⁰. Franklin R. Kilmon and Thomas S. Schnaitman from \$32⁵⁰ to \$35⁰⁰ and Clifton L. Hoyle from \$167²⁰ per month to \$178⁰⁰. This change to take effect the first week in Sept.

A letter read from Lee J. Smith and A. Earle Robinson requesting electric service on property in Old Bloomfield Road. Mr. Fairbank was asked to investigate and secretary instructed to write Messrs Smith and Robinson saying we would let them know as soon as possible.

Mr. Lee reported the Telephone Company had asked if the Utilities would cooperate with them in trimming trees in Pea Neck. It was agreed to do this

It was reported that Mr. Davis Burroughs' meter had been checked by the Public Service Commission representative and found to be

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accurate!

The following bills were ordered paid

Eugene Rude - ampliphone	10 00
Jas T. Morris - ins	105 90
Malcolm Caplan - cards	40 00
Lucas Bros	7 31
Rumsey Elec. Co 5 bills	22.6 17
C + P. Tel. Co.	24 35
Pub. Ser. Com. (D Burroughs)	1 00
Aircraft Elec. Supply Co.	26 66
Rowlenson Print. Co.	20 00
E. S. P. S. Co.	4263 43
Comptroller of The Treasury	129 26
Easton Star Democrat	15 00
Westinghouse Elec. Corp. 2 bills	451 62
Clifton Hope & Son	3 41
J. C. Harper	42 00
Lee Elec. Service	13 41
Westinghouse Elec. Sup. Co. 2 bills	370 31
W.C. Mills - Agent - ins	112 00
Kenneth Shockley	3 75

Making a total of 5865 58

The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

Thomas Cotee - garage	5 00
Wm. Keith Evans	5 00
Arthur M. Wedel	5 00
Joseph Messick	5 00
Robert F. Mothershead	5 00
	<u>25 00</u>
	5890 58

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45

Clifton L. Hope - sec.

October - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of The St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held, Wednesday night, October 12th. Those present were Messrs. Shannahan, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of the September meeting read and approved.

The secretary was instructed to have new rates printed so as to stick them on present rate schedule folder.

Dr. Lee J. Smith and Mr. A. Earle Robinson were present for the purpose of following up their former request for current on their property in Old Bloomfield Road. As their proposed line would mean the E.S.P.S.C. poles would have to be changed, therefore creating a good bit of expense and trouble they were advised to ask Dr. Cullen's permission to run line along his property. Dr. Lee agreed to contact Mr. Morse, vice pres of the Railroad Co. asking permission to run part of line along railroad.

Mr. Fairbank brot up the matter of the line from Diamond's Corner which would connect Clyde Blades, Thomas Blades and Arthur Dennis. It was agreed that The Utilities would furnish the transformer and the Bladeses would furnish their line. It was suggested by Mr. Lee that the secretary write Mr. Blade to the effect that there would be a fluctuation of voltage on his line.

Mr. Fairbank reported that to trim trees the Utilities men would have to have constant supervision by a State Forestry representative.

The matter of changing the location of the transformers from the Fire House to some point at the South end of town was discussed. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to look around for a lot or part of a lot which the town might buy for this purpose.

A card of thanks from The Schnaitman family read.

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The secretary reported having received a letter from Mr. Dyer stating he would be here on Oct 20th for the purpose of giving instructions on changing the system of keeping records.

A letter from the Town Commissioners read ordering two new lights placed.

A letter read from The St. Michaels Civic Association asking for a donation for improving Church Cove Park. A motion made and carried to donate \$25⁰⁰.

The secretary mentioned that the Sept. 15th bill of Mr. C. I. Helkes was over \$28⁰⁰ due to short circuit. The Commissioners decided there was no reason to reduce the bill.

Mr. Shanaghan reported that the insurance adjuster had been here and the amount allowed for funeral expenses is \$300⁰⁰. This comes under the law of the State.

The secretary was asked to write Mr. J. Hingblett Henry asking for a bill for his services.

The following bills were ordered paid.

Rudes Service Sta. Aug. Bill	26 88
Rumsey Elec. Co. 4 bills	207 56
Westinghouse Elec Corp.	252 56
Artcraft Elec. Sup. Co.	11 86
Malcolm Caplan box rent	75
Ches. + Pot. Tel. Co. 2 bills	7 92
Addresso-Multi. Corp	2 88
James J. Morris - ins	49 37
Westinghouse Elec. Sup. Co. 2 bills	273 38
Clifton Hope + Son	2 30
ES PSC	3809 00
Lee Elec. Ser.	6 71
Gertrude Roe	10 00
Rudes Ser. Sta. Sept Bill	42 32
Comptroller of the Treas.	114 23

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Collector of Int. Rev.	219 20	
St. Mich Civic Assn	<u>25 00</u>	
Making a total of _____		5061 89
Meter Deposit to be refunded to John C. Wharton	5 00	

There being no further business the meeting
adjourned at 9:30.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

November - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, November 9th.

Minutes of the October meeting read and approved.

A letter read from Dr. Cullen to Messrs Lee J. Smith and A. Earle Robinson, shifting the responsibility of giving permission to tap the line to the Utilities. Mr. Lee will now contact Mr. Morse to obtain permission to carry line along railroad.

Mr. Fairbank reported he was not able to buy a lot at the south end of the town for installing transformers but R. Eugene Rude would lease a part of lot owned by him.

A letter read from John E. Schnaitman in regard to the death of his son, Thomas, while employed by the Utilities. The letter implies carelessness on the part of the Utilities. Mr. Fairbank stated that the Utilities has sufficient safety equipment and such equipment was available for use, being in the truck they were using at that time.

Mr. Shannahan suggested that he take Mr. Schnaitman's letter to our attorney and have him write a letter that would be a befitting answer for the Utilities to send Mr. Schnaitman.

Mr. Fairbank stated he had received a letter from the State Forestry giving permission to cutting brush and undergrowth along the roads at given points. The State Forestry are training a man to supervise tree trimming so there will be some one available at the times the Utilities workmen can work on trees. This will save paying a salary and expenses ^{of supervisor} at times when the Utilities men have to be working elsewhere.

Mr. Shannahan suggested Mr. Fairbank get several colored men at once to do the

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cutting and brush work.

A letter from D. Hughes LeCompte read making final payment on Town House and Coffee Shop bills after liquidation. The Utilities received \$48⁰⁰ leaving a balance of \$73¹⁴ to be charged off.

Mr. Lee and Mr. Fairbank made plans to see about getting two way radios.

Card from Edward Swanhaus read stating he had not used electric current in October, and not to bill him for it. It was decided that as Mr. Swanhaus had not asked for the current to be disconnected before the bills went out that he is entitled to pay the bill.

It was agreed to pay Mr. George N. Carey \$10³⁶ as a refund on previous bills which were claimed by him to be too high. The last three bills sent him were used as a basis for figuring the amount to be refunded.

The following bills were ordered paid.

Lucas Bros. Inc.	4 37
Westinghouse Elec. Supply Co. (7 bills)	425 87
Ches + Pat. Tel. Co.	24 45
Freight (3 bills)	7 47
N. C. Mills ins.	110 00
Geo. B. Taylor + Son	10 50
Rumsey Elec. Co. (3 bills)	295 68
Stewarts Express	5 15
Malcolm Caplan	5 00
Benson + Wales	44 81
Harry Evans + Son	2 00
Rowlenson Print. Co	4 25
Clifton Hope + Son	2 39
Lee Elec. Service	12 45
Malcolm Caplan - refund	38
Rndes Service Station Kero	4 28

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ESPSC	3991 06	
Comptroller of Treasury	112 69	
George W. Carey	10 36	
Making a total of		5073 16
The following meter deposits were ordered refunded		
Carl E Prager	5 00	
Otho Smith	5 00	
Walter Dobson	5 00	
Wm. H. Mitchell	5 00	
T. L. German (Town House + Coffee Shop)	20 00	
Cornelius Mulder	5 00	
Lillian Spurry	2 00	
John J. McKenzie	5 00	52 00
Making a grand total of		5125 16

The secretary was instructed to figure Boy Scouts and Woman's Club bill at cost - the same as bills for town.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Hays, Sec.

December - 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, December 14th 1949. All members present.

Minutes of The November read and approved.

Mr. Lee reported having heard from the R.R. Company in regard to building line along the track to the property of Lee Smith and Earle Robinson in Old Bloomfield Road. The correspondence had to do with obtaining more information. No definite commitment made yet.

Mr. Fairbank reported he had about one more day's work to finish cutting underbrush. No word had been received from the Forestry about the supervisor for tree trimming.

Mr. Fairbank reported having cleared up part of the radio disturbance at Royal Oak. Dr. Jones reported disturbance in radios on Railroad Ave. mostly in daytime.

Transformers are to be moved to the south end of Talbot St on lot owned by R. Eugene Rude.

The following bills were ordered paid

Rude's Service Sta - 3 bills	68 70
Easton Star Democrat	6 90
Rowlenson Print. Co.	27 00
Westinghouse	13 60
Addresso - Multi. Corp	1 89
C + P. Tel. Co.	15 79
Marshall's Express	2 33
Rmsey - (8 bills)	1386 72
Elwood Harrison - chimney	84 03
Lee Elec. Service	20 38
Central Elec. Sup. Co.	827 04
E. S. P. S. Co.	4260 67
Comptroller of The Treas.	118 67
Clifton Hope & Son	24 79
Stewart's Express	5 76

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Burroughs Adding Mach. Co.	13 50	
Henry & Henry	286 10	
Making a total of	7163 87	7163 87
The following meter deposits were ordered refunded		
John Ball	5 00	
James Collins	5 00	
Dr. R. H. Boink	5 00	
Russell Newnam	10 00	
Total	25 00	25 00

Making a grand total of 7188 87

It was decided to charge the new drug store \$10.00 meter deposit.

The bills of Otis Stoker and Wm Mordock for work on their lines were ordered charged off as both parties have sold their property and moved away. Amounts were \$49.94 and \$18.69 respectively.

Mr. Shanahan asked the secretary to make out an itemized bill for Mr. Frank Siccardi and he would contact him about it.

\$2.00 was voted out for T.B. Christmas seals.

A letter from the Department of Labor & Industry had been received containing a copy of a section of Child Labor Law.

Mr. Fairbank informed the Commission that a two way radio had been ordered.

Motion made by Mr. Jones that instead of giving the employees the usual \$10.00 for Christmas it be raised to \$25.00. Motion carried.

The secretary asked the approval ^{of the Commissioners} of her having some one help her a few hours a week - she taking care of expense. No objection.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:15.

Cliff L. Jones, Sec.

January - 1950

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, Jan. 11, 1950. All members present.

Letter read from Town Commissioners reappointing J. Clifton Jones Utilities Commissioner for the period of three years beginning Jan. 1, 1950.

The same officers were reelected for the present year. - Mr. Norman M. Shannahan, president, J. Clifton Jones, Treas. Clifton L. Hope, Secretary.

Minutes of December meeting read and approved.

Mr. Shannahan, as representative of the Episcopal Church, gave Mr. Fairbank permission to trim the big mulberry tree in the back of the church yard.

Mr. Fairbank reported new wires are up between Fire House and corner of Talbot + Mulberry Sts. Mr. Shannahan suggested Mr. Fairbank get straightened out with Eugene Rude concerning lot on South Talbot Street and have Mr. Henry draw up papers for same.

Mr. Lee reported that Lee Smith and Earle Robinson on Old Bloomfield Road now prefer to cut across Mrs. P.K. Wright's property rather than following railroad. Mrs. Wright is to consult her lawyer and advise what she would do.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the installing of the two way radio would be held up due to an accident Mr. Harrison had. He now has his arm in a cast and will have to wear same until Feb. 4th. Mr. Fairbank in the meantime will find out about the rules and regulations.

Motion Carried to donate \$10.00 to the March of Dimes.

The following bills were ordered paid.
Geo. B. Taylor + Son 9.50

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Ramsey Elec. Co. (4 bills)	157 00
Malcolm Caplan cards	50 00
C + P. Telephone Co.	12 98
Lucas Bros.	2 99
Addressograph-Multi. Corp.	2 75
Westinghouse	81 00
Freight	3 29
Comptroller of Treas.	111 45
Collector of Int. Rev.	203 40
ES PSC.	4739 44
Stewart's Express	7 07
Denson & Wales	50 68
J. J. Wells -	552 33
Aircraft Elec. Sup. Co.	24 90
Rowlenson Print. Co.	28 75
Clifton Hope & Son.	12 55
Lee Elec. Service	10 44
Rude's Ser. Sta. kero.	4 96
" " " gas etc.	22 91
Ready Made Sign Co.	3 71

Making a total of 6102 10

The question whether the Utilities would come under the Wage and Labor Law was discussed. Mr. Stannahan and Mr. Jones are to look into the matter. It was suggested that time sheets and payroll book be kept so as to have record.

Mr. Fairbank mentioned that Mr. Ireland had started cutting out the right of way thru the wood in Mites River Neck.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cliff J. Hayes, sec.

February - 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, Febr. 8, 1950. Those present were Messrs Jones, Lee & Fairbank and the secretary. Mr. Jones presided in the absence of the president.

Minutes of January meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank gave an estimate on erecting line for Messrs Smith and Robinson in Old Bloomfield Road. His estimate was \$800⁰⁰. It was suggested to ask \$100⁰⁰ from each party before starting work and when work was completed if they could not pay cash to give them eighteen months to pay the balance - securing a note from each with signatures of the men and wives. Secretary was instructed to write letter to both parties with this information.

Motion made and carried to buy an all steel buck type pole trailer Model 20BA complete with pole binders & US Royal Tires. Price \$180⁰⁰ F.O.B.

The following bills ordered paid

P. N. Harrison - rent	10 00
Westinghouse Elec. Sup. Co 3 bills	280 03
St. Michaels Bank	2 00
Rumsey Elec. Co. 7 bills	238 23
C. & P. Tel. Co.	11 93
Red Fags & Postage	1 00
Freight -	4 79
Rudlos Service Sta. 2 bills	41 92
Lee Elec. Service	15 31
Claude Ireland	25 00
Clifton Hope & Son	6 50
ES PSC	4484 09
Making a total of	5120 80

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The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

Malcolm Mulder	5 00
Walter B Wright	5 00
Jas. O Robinson	10 00
Destor Walls	5 00
Clarence Stewart	5 01
Total	<u>30 01</u>

The secretary called attention to the following:
A house on the farm belonging to Glen Stewart has recently been given a separate meter. Mrs. Stewart says she will be responsible for bill should the tenant, Layton Reed, move without paying. Neither Mrs. Stewart or Mr Reed are willing to pay meter deposit. The decision was that as it is to Mrs. Stewart's advantage to have current in the house the Commission would not demand a deposit.

It was also decided that The Community House at Newcomb would not have to pay a meter deposit.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Scherer concerning bill of \$22.28.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Cletha L. Hoje, sec.

March - 1950

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, March 8, 1950. Those present were Messrs Shannahan, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of February meeting read and approved.

Dr. Fairbank reported the bill to Messrs Smith and ~~Robinson~~ is \$725.60 instead of \$800.00 as originally estimated. This was due to using one less pole and materials which had been figured on.

The secretary was instructed to send each party a promisory note to be signed by themselves and wives to cover a period of eighteen months making monthly payments \$14.60 each.

Dr. Lee had not heard from Mr Morse in regard to selling the Utilities a plot of ground at the South end of town.

A letter read from Mrs. James T. Ferguson, Corresponding Secretary of the Community Mothers' Club of Royal Oak inquiring as to the possibilities of having street lights in Royal Oak. The secretary was instructed to write Mrs Ferguson that the Utilities would be glad to install such lights as they wished provided satisfactory financial arrangements could be made.

Mr. Shannahan stated that Mr. John Schnaitman had talked to him saying he had been told by the insurance adjustor that the Utilities should pay him the same amount that the Insurance Company paid at the time of his son, Thomas's death. He was not going to sue but if it was due him he wanted it. The Utilities Commission is not responsible for any payment but it was suggested that the amount of \$300.00 be paid Mr. & Mrs Schnaitman and have them sign a release.

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A letter from E. Carroll Jones read objecting to the bill sent for erecting line to his place. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Jones saying that the charges made him were in accordance with charges made other customers under the same condition on private property.

It was decided to increase the Fire Insurance Policy on stock in the Utilities shop from \$600⁰⁰ to 2500⁰⁰.

Mr. Shannahan suggested the Commission give some thought to reduction of rates, in the near future.

It was decided to offer Harvey Hall and J.R. Thomas \$100⁰⁰ for transformer.

The following bills were ordered paid

George B Taylor + Son	950
Westinghouse (5 bills)	8364
Rimsey Electric Co. (5 bills)	49314
Ches. + Pot. Tel Co.	1270
Lucas Bros.	185
Superior Switchboard + Devices Co.	996
Addresso - Multi. Corp.	111
Freight - (3 bills)	513
Malcolm Caplan env.	1748
Central Electric Supply Co.	6460
Lee Electric Service	2193
Rudes Service Sta.	1512
Aircraft Elec. Supply Co.	3181
E.S. PSC.	404416
Comptroller of the Treas.	11923
Burroughs Adding Mach. Co.	60
Total	493196

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Cliff L. Wye, sec.

April - 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night - April 12, 1950. All members present.

Minutes of March meeting read and approved.

Mr. Shannahan said he had talked to John Schnaitman, ^{but} not as a Utilities Commissioner, saying if the Commissioners would agree to pay him \$300⁰⁰ he could sign a release when payment was made. Nothing had been heard from him.

Mr. Fairbank reported having completed the extension to Miles River Neck line. Four colored houses on line had been wired.

Mr. Lee reported he had heard from Mr. Morse in regard to his selling the Utilities a piece of ground at the edge of town for transformers. Mr. Morse was not in favor of selling to the Utilities or for the transformers being placed near the main street of the town.

The secretary reported that Mr. V. K. Hopkins wants his meter moved from across the creek to nearer his house. As the meter was placed there in the first place for the accommodation of the Utilities men he felt that the meter should be moved without expense to him. It was decided to move meter for Mr. Hopkins free gratis.

The following bills were ordered paid.

Superior Switchboard & Devices Co.	22 79
Rudes Service Station	49 15
Jas. T. Morris	50 83

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Postage + Notary	1 42	
Westinghouse Electric Supply Co.	433 92	
Hattle St. W. Lumber Co.	6 42	
Central Elec. Sup. Co.	198 30	
The Joslyn Co.	194 63	
P.O. Box Rent	75	
C. & P. Tel. Co.	13 99	
Venton R Harrison	150 00	
Lee Elec. Service	4 34	
United States Pencil Co.	7 45	
E.S. P.S.C.	4381 80	
J. I. Wells Co.	401 80	
Comptroller of The Treas.	121 51	
Collector of Internal Rev.	193 00	
Geo. B. Taylor + Son	9 75	
Making a total of	6238 85	6238 85
The following Meter Deposits were ordered re funded		
EE Langrell, Jr.	5 00	
Engene Murdoch	5 00	
J. Wesley Seymour	5 00	
Jonathan Eddy	5 00	
Marion B. Daffin	5 00	
Clifton Swanhans	5 00	30 00
Making a grand total of		6268 00

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Matthai from Royal Oak came to talk about having ^{street} lights installed in Royal Oak. Mr. Fairbank made an appointment to meet Mrs Ferguson April 15th to look the place over so as to decide where lights would be needed. Mr. Fairbank is to give them an estimate of the cost of installing lights. Mr. Shannahan made it clear to them that some one person should be responsible for electric bills. Mr. Fairbank said he now has to give a report

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to Public Service Commission each month. They require certain test to be made and to make these tests it will require a recording volt meter. Motion made and carried to have Mr. Fairbank order the meter needed.

The secretary was instructed to write the Town Commissioners asking them to give the Utilities, in writing, permission to have use of entire building except their office space after the Fire Department vacates.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoja, sec.

May - 1950

The regular meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, May 10, 1950. All members present.

Minutes of April meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported having ordered the volt meter.

The secretary reported that the Town Commissioners were not ready to say whether the Utilities would be permitted to use entire building until it was definitely decided where the ambulance is to be kept.

The question ~~to~~ how to bill Mr. W. Mitchell Price for apartment house was decided to bill him for each ^{vacant} apartment separately.

Letter from Miles River Yacht Club in regard to ad in regatta program. It was decided give them the same ad as last year - price \$10⁰⁰.

Letter from W.C. Miller of Pennsylvania Railroad asking cost of installing transformers at ~~Oak Creek~~ ^{Royal Oak} drawbridge.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to figure cost to them the same as to anyone else

The following bills were ordered paid,

Clifton Hoze & Son	4 59
Marshall's Express	20 46
Rowlenson Printing Co.	31 25
Westinghouse	305 45
Gen. Elec. Sup. Corp.	216 00
C & P. Tel. Co.	15 84
freight - cash	6 59
Stewarts Express	10 58
Claude Ireland	26 25
Addresso - Multi.	1 11
Rimsey Elec. Co.	601 13
Banson & Wales	46 81
Lee Elec. Service	8 05
E. S. P. S. C.	4298 70
Comptroller of Treas.	115 84

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Rudes Service Sta.	9 80	
St. Mich. Iron Fdy	1 50	
Miles River Yacht Club.	<u>10 00</u>	
Making a total of		572995
The following meter deposits were ordered refunded		
Chas. Stanfield	5 00	
Chas. V. Stanfield Jr.	5 00	
J. O. Wright	5 00	
Elmer Kahline	5 00	
Ernest Luongo	5 00	
Jas. Harper Jr.	5 00	
Jack Shores	<u>5 00</u>	
Total		35 00

Motion made and carried to pay to the Town Commissioners the surplus of Dec. 31, 1949, the amount being 4735 31

Mr. Shannahan reported that Mr. Hunter of Public Service Commission had talked to him in regard to Mr. E. Carroll Jones. Mr. Hunter was under the impression that the Utilities furnished transformers for all customers. He asked that a policy of what the Utilities would do on rural routes be written and sent them to look over and check. Mr. Fairbank submitted a policy which was agreeable to the Commissioners.

Mr. Lee suggested the wires over the new fire engine house be moved while the building is still under construction. It was agreed by the others that this should be done for safety.

Mr. Fairbank proposed when rebuilding line from here to the plant a new line be put up down Canton Alley and across marsh making a dual system. Motion made and carried to let Mr. Fairbank go ahead with his proposition

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and to get permission from cemetery Committee to cross cemetery.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoja, sec.

June - 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, June 14, 1950.

Messrs Shannon, Jones and Fairbank and the secretary present.

Minutes of May meeting read and approved.

The question was brot up concerning vacation for Thos. E. Blades. As he has been with the Commission less than a year it was decided to grant him one week's vacation with pay. As Blades is a National Guard a motion was made and carried to pay him one week salary and allow him to go to camp for two weeks if he so desired. This being his vacation.

Mr. Fairbank reported having obtained permission from the Olivet Cemetery Committee to cross the cemetery with electric line.

It was reported that Herbert Fairbanks would lease a piece of his property for substation for \$35⁰⁰ per year provided station was built back 150 ft. Dawson Taylor had also consented to lease a piece of property belonging to the coal yard. Mr. Fairbank favored using the Taylor property which would mean the ESPSC poles could be used providing permission was given.

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A motion was made and carried to order three 250 KVA transformers at \$1214⁰⁰ each and one automatic recloser at \$785⁰⁰ provided permission would be granted by the Town Commissioners. The secretary was instructed to write the Town Commissioner concerning same. Motion made and carried to order 1 25 KVA transformer for Miles River Neck as the line is over loaded.

Mr. Shannahan suggested that Mr. Fairbank make a sketch of the lot offered by Dawson Taylor and have Mr. Henry draw up a lease for 20 years renewable. He was also instructed to ask the ESPSC for permission to use their poles. It was decided to offer Taylor \$15⁰⁰ a year for lot.

Mr. Shannahan stated Mr. Jimenis said the Utilities men had left a pole on his property several months back but no work had yet been done. Mr. Fairbank said he would take care of it as soon as he could get to it.

A letter read from Venton R. Harrison stating he had had notice to report to active duty in the army before he had time to complete the two-way radio. He had spent the \$150⁰⁰ the Utilities had paid him but he would refund it as soon as possible.

The secretary reported Mr. E. Carroll Jones having been in the office in regards to bill received by him for work done on line on his property. As Mr. Fairbank had written to

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the affect that Mr. Jones was to pay for the transformer and wire Mr Jones is willing to pay for transformer and wire only. The secretary was instoncted to inform Mr. Jones that the Commission expects him to pay the bill as rendered.

A letter read from Insurance Company giving cost of combined liability insurance for town and utilities. As the Utilities is sufficiently covered it was decided to inform the Town commissioners we would not be interested in the proposition.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Malcolm Caplan - cards	5000
Rudas Service Station	66 15
Central Elec. Sup. Co.	564 62
Freight	4 29
Notary + Postage	1 00
C + P. Tel. Co.	17 88
Westinghouse	488 07
Rumsey Elec. Co.	190 17
Addresso - Multi. Corp.	2 90
ESPSC	4109 45
Stewarts Express	1 75
Lee Elec. Service	15 69
Clifton Hope + Son	1 97
Comptroller of the Treasury	111 90
Rowlenson Print. Co.	28 00
Marshall's Express	1 24
The Joslyn Co.	30 85
Total	5685 93

The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

Frances E. Bedsworth	10 00
Wm. W. LaBeaume	5 00
Total	15 00

Mr Fairbank reported he had received permission from the Pennsylvania R.R. to hook up

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motor at the draw at Newcomb.

Mr. Shannahan reported having talked to Mr. Hughlett Henry about the policy we were to submit to Public Service Commission. Mr. Henry did not think it was explicit enough. Mr. Shannahan then submitted a policy in more detail which it was decided to send to the Public Service Commission to be checked.

The question arose as to the advisability of changing all inside meter to outside. As this would cost so much the matter was dropped.

Mr. Jones suggested that due to the increase in office work and to be prepared in case the secretary was taken sick or took a vacation that the Utilities employ some one to help in the office. It was decided to get some one for five mornings and one afternoon per week granting the secretary an afternoon a week off. The salary to be \$1,500 per week. The secretary suggested Mrs. Carrie M. Fink as the person to be asked to take this position. This was agreeable to the Commissioners.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:30

Cliff L. Hoge, sec.

July - 1950

The regular meeting of The St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, July 12, 1950. Those present were Messrs Shannon and Lee and the Secretary.

Minutes for June meeting read and approved. Letters from Bartlett Tree Experts and Bowman Tree Experts giving estimates on trimming trees in the sections of Miles River Neck, Doncaster, Kirkham and Royal Oak. The Bartlett Co gave an estimate of not more than \$3213.00. The Bowman Company quoted \$1150.00. It was decided to lay this aside until Mr. Fairbank returns from his vacation.

Mr. Lee suggested that the trees within the town of St. Michaels were badly in need of trimming and that many service drop wires were too small. He would like for the Utilities to replace all service drops into homes in St. Michaels where wires are less than No. 8. or where wires are worn and also that trees be trimmed to clear the wires.

Letter from E. S. P. S. C. granting permission to use their pole nos. 150-155 inclusive under conditions specified. Permission was also to be obtained from the P. R. R. which letter the secretary had already written.

Letter from Hugh H. Hunter, Chief Engineer of Public Service Commission stating that the policy of the St. Mich Utilities on construction of rural lines which was submitted to them is in proper form for filing as a supplement to present rates.

The secretary to take a week's vacation the week of July 16th - Salary for Mrs. Fink for full week to be \$30.00.

The secretary was instructed to write

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Mr. Jas. T. Dorris in regard to bond to cover both office employees.

The matter of changing the Fire Co rates for current was discussed. It was decided to allow the Fire Co. 200 K.H.W. each month free of charge the Company to pay all in excess of 200K WH at the rate above 200.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoja, sec.

The following bills were ordered paid

Westing house (2 bills)	203 72	
Superior Switch board + Devices	40 59	
C + P. Tel. Co.	18 76	
Malcolm Caplan box rent	75	
Freight	1 78	
Joslyn Co. (2 bills)	30 60	
Leo Elec. Service	22 62	
Collector of Int. Rev.	218 50	
Comptroller of Treas.	121 50	
Rudes Service Sta.	23 28	
ESPSC.	4087 05	
Rumsey	33 99	
Cent Elec. Sup Co.	51 59	
Total		4854 77
Refunds of Peter Deposits		
Mrs W. Messersmith	5 00	
Corner Nook	10 00	
Rev J.W. Mickle	5 00	
Preston Dean	10 00	
J.R. Willis	10 00	
Wm. T. Jones	5 00	
Lee Newnam	5 00	50 00

Clifton L. Hoja

September - 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, September 13, 1950. All members present.

Minutes of July meeting read and approved.

The following bills were authorized to be paid:
Bills upto time of August meeting

C & P. Tel. Co	14 00	
Stewarts Express	3 45	
Rumsey Electric Company	813 14	
Addressograph-Multi. Corp.	2 47	
Central Elec. Sup. Co.	44 83	
Westinghouse	157 55	
O. W. Cockran	150 00	
Freight	1 70	
Jas T. Morris	45 00	
Lee Elec. Service	19 89	
J. I. Wells Co.	109 76	
Clifton Hope & Son	5 90	
Claude Ireland	6 00	
Comptroller of Treas.	120 78	
ESPSC	4457 50	
Making a total of		5981 97

The following Meter deposits ordered refunded

Chas. E. Blue	5 00
Toby Truban	5 00

Making a total of 10 00

Making a grand total of 5991 97

Bills since time for August meeting were ordered paid

Easton Star Democrat	5 05
Westinghouse	344 77
Rumsey	132 47
Rudus Service Star 2 bills	76 94
C & P. Tel. Co.	14 68
Jas T. Morris	156 80
Rowlenson Print Co	8 00

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Stewarts Express	5 25	
Marshalls Express	5 07	
Central Elec. Sup. Co.	38 80	
Clifton Hope & Son	15 95	
Lucas Bros.	49 78	
Lee Elec. Service	15 28	
Comptroller of Treas	123 26	
CSDB	486 24	
Bowman Tree Experts	300 00	
Total		6153 34

The following refunds to be made

John W. Coleman	5 00	
Russell Barrow	5 00	
Eleanor Daffin	5 00	
W. Raymond Marshall	10 00	
Jack Kemp	5 00	
Robert S. Seymour for Anna L. Parks	5 00	
Total		35 00
Grand Total		6188 34

The bill of Bowman Tree Experts to August 31st amounted to \$422.80. It was decided to pay them \$300⁰⁰ on account.

It was decided to refund the meter deposit which was in the name of Anna L. Parks to Robert S. Seymour.

It was agreed that Rev Pruitt, preacher at Union Meth. Church who has been trying to claim exemption from sales tax, should pay tax until he can produce a certificate from the ^{state} Tax Division showing him to be exempt.

The Ladies Auxilliary of the Episcopal Church needing current while having a sale, Dr Fairbank was instructed to cut in current without charge for connecting. Bill only for current used.

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Dr. Fairbank brot to the attention of the Commissioners that the wiring in the rear of Mrs Alex Haddaway's house was dangerous and should be changed. The secretary was instructed to write a letter to Mrs Haddaway giving her thirty days to make the change or current to be disconnected.

A letter from Robert D. Allen Jr. of the Telephone Company stating that the pole line to Dr Thos. S. Cullen is in poor condition and requires rebuilding. The Telephone Co. is to rebuild the line and asks the Utilities if they would be willing to assume ownership of the electric plant on these poles. Motion made and carried to accept this proposition.

Letter read from Motorola in regard to 2-way radio. Dr. Fairbank was instructed to look into it.

The secretary was instructed to write to Venitor R Harrison in regard to the \$150.00 paid to him in advance for radio reminding him that this amount had not been refunded to the Utilities.

A letter to be written to Dr. H. H. Merriman about trimming trees on electric line

It was agreed that Dr. Fairbank get Bowman Tree Experts to trim trees on Water St. on time basis

It was reported that Penney DeCompte and Thos. E. Blade had left the Utilities. Their last working day Sept. 9th. It is necessary to have more workmen and the Commissioners agreed to pay an inexperienced man \$35.00 a week to start. If an experienced man could be obtained the salary would be set later.

Motion made and carried to raise Franklin R. Kilmon's salary \$10.00 per week making it \$45.00 and Milton H. Fairbank's raised \$15.00

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per week making his salary \$82.30 per week. Kilmon's salary raised with the provision he have telephone installed so he can be on call at any line.

Mr. Fairbank was given permission to hire Wm. H. Seymour at \$100 an hour for part time work if he needed him.

Mr. Jones asked if it were possible to cut the rates above 5000 KWH. He stated the St. Michaels Milling Co last month used over 10000 KWH and they expected to go higher. It was proven to Mr. Jones that The St. Mich. Milling Co paid very little more per KWH on average than it cost the utilities. Mr. Jones was asked to keep a record for a month of the time of day for each day that the ~~engine~~^{motor} is operating so as to check the demand with the ESPSC chart.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the ESPSC saying the Commission thinks the fuel charge on bills should now be based on cost of coal since the current comes from Vienna.

The secretary asked The Commissioners to think about buying an electric adding machine for the office.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:15.

Cliff L. Hoyer, sec.

October - 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the St. M. N. C. was held Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1950. All members present.

Minutes of September meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported that Mrs Haddaway was having wiring changed on her property and Oliver Kirby was doing the work.

It was reported that Mr. Merriman was having his trees trimmed.

Mr. Fairbank reported the General Electric salesman for communication equipment had been to see him. A two-way radio including station and one mobile unit would cost about \$1240⁰⁰ and it would take about five months to complete. The matter was left in the hands of Mr. Fairbank and Mr Lee to secure permission from the Town Commissioners and ordering set.

The secretary reported that the Burroughs Adding machine sales man had given her figures on an electric adding machine. The cost to the Utilities after the regular government discount was deducted would be \$288⁰⁰ for an eight column machine. The amount allowed on the old machine would be \$20⁰⁰.

Mr. Shannahan reported that Miss Mary J. Bassett had complained to him of unsatisfactory service. that is when her refrigerator goes on her lights go out. Mr. Lee mentioned that he had advised her to move her transformer closer to her house and add another transformer at the cottage. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to give Miss Bassett an estimate of making this change.

Mr. Fairbank had a map showing where Messrs Lewis, Lee and Mordock wanted the line

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taken in to their farms. They wanted the approval of the Commission of building the line at that location provided they could obtain the right of way through that property.

Mr. Fairbank reported that Danney LeCompte had come back to work. It was decided to raise his pay to \$5500 per week.

Mr. Fairbank had a photostat copy of the demand chart from the ESPSC. The peak proved to be - daytime - from 11:00 to 12:00 and night from 7:00 to 8:00 o'clock.

Letter read from ESPSC stating that due to an operating condition it was necessary to continue to operate the oil engines at St. M. for a while. After they are shut down and the St. M. supply will come from Vienna the fuel charge will be on the basis of coal.

Letter from Federal Power Commission offering to send a report "Typical Residential Electric Bills, Cities of 2500 Population and More, Jan, 1, 1950". The Secretary was instructed to send for report.

The following bills were ordered paid.

Wm. C. Mills - agent	212 00
Malcolm Caplan env.	7 46
C + P. Tel. Co.	13 08
Malcolm Caplan box rent	75
Address - Multi Corp.	4 61
Aircraft Elec. Sup Co.	139 95
Freight	2 63
Rumsey	191 04
Old Dept of Forests + Parks (2)	192 72
Central Elec Sup Co. (4)	555 17
Westinghouse (2)	954 24
Lee Elec. Service (2)	35 92
Marshall Express	12 12

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Bowman Tree Experts	300 00
ESPSC	4786 58
Collector of Int. Rev.	249 10
Rowlenson Print Co.	7 50
Comptroller of Treas	134 34
Kastenhuber & Anderson	20 00
Making a total of	<u>7819 21</u>

The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

R.C. Mossman	5 00
W. Wallace Fritz	5 00
John Neavitt.	5 00
Dawson Taylor	5 00
Eugene Koerner Jr.	5 00
Allen Higgins	5 00
Marshall Lampel	5 00
Fred Kuehne	5 00
Philip H. Hope, Jr.	<u>5 00</u>

Making a total of 45 00

The lowering of rates in the higher bracket was again discussed. It was decided to wait to see if the ESPSC would lower their rates.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cliff L. Nye, secy

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The regular monthly meeting of St. Mich's Util. Com. was held Wednesday night, November 8, 1950. Those present were Messrs Jones, Lee, Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of October meeting read and approved.

The work at Mrs Alex Haddaway's is temporarily held up waiting for an order of underground cable. Mr. Kirby will finish the job as soon as cable is received.

The following bills ordered paid

Easton Star Democrat		2 25	
Rumsey	2	77 23	
Central Elec. Sup Co.	2	117 31	
Freight	3	5 75	
Rowlenson Print Co.		25 00	
Bowman Tree Experts final		780 40	
C + P, Tel. Co.		14 32	
Geo. B. Taylor & Son		10 00	
Westinghouse		4476 30	
Westinghouse		57 02	
Clifton Hoyle & Son		12 36	
Lee Elec. Ser.		10 88	
Rudes Ser. Sta.		27 83	
ES PSC.		5034 60	
St. Mich Bank		2 00	
Banson & Wales		42 80	
Comptroller of Treas.		131 04	
With holding tax		122 40	
Henry & Henry		50 00	
Making a total of			10999 49
Meter Deposits to be refunded			
Roland Lomax		5 00	
Chas. P. Waite		5 00	10 00
			11009 49

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Mr. Frank Bache came in to talk over rates etc. He has had two meters installed. He thought he should receive one bill for entire farm instead of a bill for each meter. He wanted information as to method of billing also advice as to wiring. Mr. Lee consented to check on voltage etc. and Mr. Bache would advise the Commission at some later date what changes he would make.

✓ Mr. Jones stated that Mr. Shannahan had talked to him and Mr. Lee about establishing sick leave for the Utilities employees. It was agreed to grant one week sick leave for the period of one year. This leave to be accumulative and to take effect beginning Nov 1st, 1950.

It was reported that the mobile unit and transmitter had been ordered.

Letter read from Venton R. Harrison saying he would forward a check, Dec. 1st, ^{refunding} ~~the~~ payment of radio he was to make for the Utilities.

Mr. Fairbank stated he had run wire and put up transformer for Mr. C. H. Sherman. He questioned whether Mr. Sherman should be billed for transformer. The question was also raised whether J. Norman Marshall should be paid for his transformer as there were now five customers connected to it. These matters were laid on the table until the December meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:15.

Olivia L. Noyce, sec.

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The regular monthly meeting of St. Mich Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, December 13th. Those present were Messrs Shannahan, Jones, Fairbank and the secretary. Minutes of November meeting read and approved.

It was decided that Mr. C.H. Sherman pay for the transformer that is to serve his property and if two more ^{year around} customers join on he will be reimbursed at that time.

It was also decided that as several other customers had joined on to J. Norman Marshall's transformer he is to be reimbursed the amount paid for it which was \$154⁰⁰.

The secretary reported having received a check from Venton R. Harrison for the full amount advanced to him on radio.

The following bills ordered paid

Artcraft	599 71
Westinghouse	808 75
Rumsey	87 84
J. I. Wells	323 40
Md. Dept of Forests + Parks	17 74
Ches. + Pot. Tel. Co.	14 10
Claude Ireland	32 50
Addresso - Multi	1 88
Comptroller of Treas.	131 03
Clifton Hope + Son	2 20
Lee Elec. Ser.	20 09
ESPSC.	52 58 93
Rude's Ser. Sta.	75 19
With holding Tap	119 60
Central Electric	37 30
Talbot Co. TB Ass'n	2 00
Burroughs Add. Mach Co.	16 40
Making a total of	7548 66

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The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

Percy Walley	5 00
EH Koerner - shop	5 00
Waynard Stewart	5 00
Wm. Murphey	5 00
Kenneth Jenkins, Jr.	5 00
Samuel Harrison	5 00
Thos. A. Johnston	5 00

Making total of 35 00
Grand total 7583 66

Letter read from Town Commissioners reappointing Mr. Shannahan as Utilities Commissioner for a period of three years beginning Jan. 1, 1951

Letter from Town Commissioners giving permission to Utilities to use entire building vacated by Fire Co.

Letter from Eastern Shore Public Service Co. stating that beginning Jan. 1, 1951 the fuel charge would be based on coal used at Vienna Plant.

Mr. Shannahan reported Mrs Burkes had talked to him about line they wanted built to their place. It was decided that the Utilities would build line for them provided it was paid for in advance. Mr. Shannahan was to give Mrs Burkes this information.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the right of way back to Murdock's had not been completed. Mr. ^{Richard} Lee had said he would get wire for this line.

Mr. Jones reported that several people in Claiborne had complained to him about low voltage especially in the evening. Mr. Fairbank was to look into this and do what ever was needed to be done.

There was also a complaint from John R Smith on Maple Hill Farm that voltage was

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low. Mr. Fairbank said this could be remedied by taking current in from another direction. It would take four pole and another transformer

Mr. Booraem wants to get a four-party telephone line on his farm. The telephone Co. will let the line go in provided the Utilities own the ^{electric} wire. To get the telephone service Mr. Booraem is willing to deed the poles to the Telephone Company and the wire to the Utilities.

Mr. Fred Harper wants an electric line run back to some of his property near Royal Oak. This is off the County Road, and at present only one house to be connected. Cost of building line and transformer would be \$397.15. It was decided to advise Mr. Harper he would have to pay for line and if the County took over the road the cost of the line would be refunded and if three or more houses connected the cost of the transformer would be refunded.

Mr. Shannahan reported that some one had told him they were figuring on buying a piece of property where there would probably be around fifteen homes built. It would require a line about a mile long. He wanted to know if he would be reimbursed for the line if the County took the road over. Nothing more had been heard from him.

The question was asked whether St. Michaels or Easton would get the electric business of the plant that is to be built in Mr. Dudrow's field. The general opinion was that St. Michaels would connect with anything this side of Court House Bridge.

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Mr. Fairbank brot up the matter of collecting bills, the time it took to collect small bills amounted to more than the bill.

The Commission ordered that when bills were past due the men are to cut off the current and not bother about asking for payment.

Attention was called to the fact that Mr. L. P. Scherer was in Florida and he now owes two months' bill.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Scherer, sending letter by registered mail with request for returned receipt, that payment for bills must be in office by Dec 26th or meters would be disconnected.

Motion was made and carried to give employees Christmas presents as follows: the three men and Secretary each \$50⁰⁰ and Mrs. Fink \$25⁰⁰.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Olga L. Joyce, sec.

January - 1951

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, January 10th, 1951. All members present.

Motion made and carried that the Officers remain the same for 1951 as in 1950.

Minutes of December meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank made the following reports:

Mr. Durdock has asked Mr. Claude Ireland to build his line as Ireland can get the wire.

The Voltage at Claiborne Wharf had been checked and found to be 116. Has been stepped up to 122. Another transformer has been installed this end of Claiborne.

The Burkes line will cost \$310⁰⁰ which has been paid. Secretary instructed to send contract for her signature.

Correspondence from W. Ditchell Poice read. He wishes to change his apartment house to one meter instead of seven. Is willing to pay for the other six meter sockets so they can be left there.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr Poice that he could pay \$278.75 which was the cost of the line plus cost of the six sockets. The line would then belong to him and he could use one meter and be charged only for current used. Otherwise he would be charged for current plus the minimum charge for the other six services. This would run for forty-two months and the line would belong to him. Maintenance of the line would be charged to him after the one meter installation. It would be satisfactory for him to install one meter in the proposed second apartment house.

Letter from Mr. Eric Nelson of Porter's Pride

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(The old Sharon Farm) in regard to his large electric bills and the changes he wished made at the expense of the Utilities.

A letter to be written Mr. Nelson telling him the Utility men have never made any recommendations as they have never been consulted as to the equipment Mr. Nelson expected to use, and that as this was a private owned line Mr. Nelson would have to bare the cost.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Westing house - 3 bills	993 18
Malcolm Caplan - env.	7 48
C + P. Tel Co.	16 47
Geo. B. Taylor + Son	15 38
Lucas Bros.	2 37
Clifton Hope + Son	3 32
Benson + Wales	50 68
Remington Rand	11 32
Rodes Ser. Sta. - 2 bills	57 76
Lee Elec. Ser.	13 98
Rumsey - 3 bills	586 38
Freight	15 73
Comptroller of Treas.	139 61
ESPSC.	5671 25
Box rent, Notary Reg Mail	130
Making a total of	7586 21
Refund to Thornton Burns	5 00
Total	7591 21

The secretary referred to a telephone conversation with Mr. W. Corkran saying that he had found that Town employees which would include the Utilities could be covered by Social Security if the employees preferred and the Commission agreed.

Motion made and carried to adopt the Social Security plan provided 60% of the employees agreed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned Clifton Hope

February - 1951

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, February 14, 1951. Those present were Messrs Jones, Lee, Fairbank and The Secretary.

Minutes of January meeting read and approved. The Secretary reported there ^{was} no definite information to date as to Social Security Coverage for the Utilities employees

The following bills were ordered paid

Notary fee (radio)	1 00
Freight - 2 bills	11 86
Rumsey 3 bills	81 94
Remington Rand	21 79
C & P. Tel Co.	17 41
Malcolm Caplan (cards)	50 00
Westinghouse 8 bills	1882 52
Addresso - Multi	1 88
Postage, + bank service	1 00
ESPSC.	5323 25
ESPSC. Error in back bill	30 00
Rudes Service Station 2 bills	42 24
Lee Elec. Ser.	10 54
Clifton Hope + Son	1 67
Comptroller of Treas.	152 00
St. M. Bank - With holding tax	121 40
Central Elec.	497 05

Making a total of

The following meter deposits were ordered refunded

James Frampton	5 00
Robert McKinney	5 00
Noble Seymour	5 00
Ronald Coleman	5 00
George C Barr	5 00
G. T. Hallowell	5 00
Helen Conabre	5 00
	35 00

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The secretary mentioned there was a meter deposit for Josephine Bond who died several months ago. The question was whether to pay this to her son. It was decided to contact the administrator and ask his advice.

Letter read from Department of State Forests & Parks advising increase in salary of Tree Supervisors. The secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt of letter.

Mr. Eugene Rude came in and said The High School P.T.A. wanted flood lights on the school and want information about installing them. Mr. Fairbank was asked to contact Mr. George and find out what was wanted and report to Mr. Rude

Letter read from John E. Blann. He has purchased property in Doncaster next to Mrs. H. Wehr Bartlett. He wanted information regarding line.

Letter from Mrs. Driggs complimenting the Utilities men for their service in recent sleet storm.

Mr. Lee said that Thomas E. Blades, a former employee of the Utilities had offered his services for any emergency.

Mr. Fairbank reported that nine poles had been broken off during sleet storm. Everything was in working order by the close of the second day.

The secretary reported Mr. J. R. Hopkins had questioned a bill sent him for material and work done for him Aug 1st. The secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Hopkins that as the repairs were done to a line on private property the property owner was responsible.

Mr. Jones called attention to low voltage at Mr. Redford Voshells. Mr. Fairbank advised that the present transformer was not large enough to accommodate all that had hooked on to it. He was instructed to change the transformer to one large enough to take care of load.

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Mr. Fairbank reported the Chevrolet truck was worn out and was dangerous to use. He was instructed to get prices from several dealers.

Mr. Fairbank reported Mr. Samuel Jackson had talked to him about the utilities furnishing them current for the new factory to be erected on Dudrow's property near Easton. The question was brot up as to whether or not Mr Jackson would be required to pay for the transformer. It was decided to await Mr Shannahans return before making a decision. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to order a transformer of sufficient size to take care of the load.

Mr Fairbank said the people living next to where the factory is to be want to have their house wired. The transformer that ^{they} would be hooked to has several hooked to it and would not accomodate any more. It was decided to replace the transformer with a larger one.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Joyce, sec.

March - 1951

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, March 14, 1951. Those present Messrs. Jones, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary

Minutes of February meeting read and approved. Mr. Jones reported Mr. Yashell had expressed his appreciation of the higher voltage in his neighborhood.

Mr. Osalee Warner and Mr. Herman Nixdorf are having trouble with television. Mr. Fairbank has checked everything and cannot find the trouble. He will look into it again.

Letter read from Town Commissioners giving the Utilities permission to buy a new truck.

Mr. Fairbank had prices for International, Ford and Chevrolet. As the International was the only one in stock Mr. Fairbank was instructed to order the truck at once. Cost will be \$154⁰⁰ over trade in of Chevrolet.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to see Mr. Ivan Martin about having name of Utilities on the new truck and the Ford.

Letter read from F. H. Longfellow complaining about bill of his store property which he claims to be unoccupied with the only thing turned on to be 5-8 watt bulbs and 6 ft deep freeze. This being a chronic complaint the secretary was instructed to write the Public Service Commission to have them check the meter on Mr. Longfellow's property and inform Mr. Longfellow this is to be done.

Secretary was instructed to write the Fire Department asking them to remove the sign from the front of the Utilities Building.

The following bills were ordered paid

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C + P Tel. Co.	16 98	
Central Elec.	38 13	
Westinghouse	1233 30	
Malcolm Caplan	17 46	
Rowlenson Print Co.	29 50	
Burroughs Add. Mach.	69	
Rudes Service Station	39 67	
Clifton Hope & Son	2 08	
George B. Taylor & Son	10 60	
Rumsey	49 55	
Lee Elec. Service	3 14	
ES PSC	4688 95	
With holding Tax	119 60	
Comptroller of Treas.	135 50	
Lucas Bros.	9 32	
Remington Rand	11 10	
Making total of		6405 57
The following meter deposits were ordered refunded		
Howard Coleman	5 00	
Alex Hill	5 00	
John Howell	5 00	
Roy Spitzer	5 00	
John Lee Dunlap	5 00	
Total		<u>25 00</u>
Grand total		6430 57

There being no further business the meeting
adjourned

Clifton L. Hope, sec

April - 1951

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, April 11, 1951. All members present.

Minutes of March meeting read and approved.

The following bills were ordered paid

Lucas Boos,	30
Westinghouse (5 bills)	398 08
Public Ser. Com. (Price)	1 00
C. + P. Tel. Co.	14 87
Freight	7 22
J. J. Nells Co.	235 20
Benson + Wales	1 03
Central Elec. Sup. Co. (2 bills)	411 38
Claude Ireland	18 75
General Electric	55 80
Lee Elec. Service	21 98
Rudes Service Sta.	42 45
Addresso-Multi. Corp.	1 73
Comptroller of Treas.	122 51
Collector of Internal Rev.	144 00
Rowlenson Print. Co.	9 00
ESPSC.	<u>4882 41</u>

Making a total of 6367 71

The following meter deposits refunded

Maurice Northern	5 00
Fred Honckel	5 00
John M Holland	5 00
H J Lane	5 00
James H. Shores	5 00
Gordon Whitby	5 00
Harry M Baldwin	10 00
H.C. Tribett	5 00
Chas Dnback	5 00
Total	<u>50 00</u>

A letter from Ambulance Association read

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asking for donation. It was moved and carried to donate \$10⁰⁰ to the Association.

Mr. Fairbank reported he had no more information from Mr. Jackson as to how much power would be needed for the new factory. It was decided Mr. Jackson is to pay for the transformer used for the factory.

Mr. Fairbank showed a contract he had drawn up to be signed by Charles Gary, Thomas Collier and others to relinquish all claim on transformer and wires to the Utilities and the Utilities would service the transformer and make any changes necessary for the betterment of the service. A larger transformer is to be installed in place of the present one.

Mrs. Burckes wants a line built to the camp in Pea Neck.

Mr. Hughlette Henry has written Mr. Hunter, Chief Engineer of the Public Service Commission in regard to Mr. W. Mitchell Price. Mr. Hunter wishes to talk to Mr. Henry after April 19th about the case.

Mr. Shannahan to be present. The secretary had written Mr. Price telling him he would hear from us as soon as the matter is clarified.

A letter from Mr. Eric Nelson saying he would like to have his transformer changed from a 5KVA to a 10KVA.

Mr. Fairbank reported he had received a form from the Interior Department in regard to materials that would be needed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Oletha L. Hoja, Sec.

May - 1951

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held, Wednesday night, May 9, 1951, All members present.

Minutes of April meeting read and approved.

Mr. Shannahan stated he had been told by a Public Service Commission representative that the Easton Utilities could not supply current to Mr. Samuel Jackson's Fusee Plant unless the St. Mich. Utilities could not furnish it.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr Jackson asking him to let us know in writing what electric load he would have at his plant.

Mr. Fairbank reported the transformer at Eric Nelsons had been changed from 5 to 10 KVA, and the transformer which supplied customers in the vicinity of Buzz's garage had been changed.

Letter read, signed by six men asking for current in Church Neck, on road to Oakwood Inn.

They claimed the road was taken over by the county May 1st. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to contact the County Commissioners to check on this and at the same time check on road near Royal Oak running to property of Mr. Fred Harper.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the Childrens Aide had taken George Squires Jr. who started to work for the utilities Apr. 30th and had sent him to a Reform School for thirty days. No charges against him except Mrs. Trader head of the Childrens Aide claimed he would not stick to a job. Mr. Hughlett Henry had checked the case and reported there was nothing he could do as Mrs. Trader would not recommend his release. Mr. Shannahan appointed Mr Lee to see Mrs. Trader and Judge Carter to see if they would recommend his release so he could

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come back to work, with the proviso that if he did not make good he would be turned back to the Children's Aide.

Mr. Lee suggested that street lights now located in the center of the streets be changed to poles and brackets. It was agreed that this change should be made gradually until all lights were on poles.

Motion made and carried to order a second radio-mobile unit for the other truck provided the cost would not be more than \$500.00.

Letters from Public Service Commission stating the meter at Longfellow's store had been tested and found .5% fast and that of W. Mitchell Price to be .1% fast, both being within the limits of accuracy prescribed by the Commission.

Attention was called by Mr. Corkran, auditor that the inventory for Dec. 31, 1950 showed the amount of materials on hand to be about \$17,000.00 and the insurance on same to be \$2,500.00. It was moved and carried to increase the insurance to \$10,000 and have Mr. W. C. Mills write the new policy for \$7,500 for 3 years full coverage.

The following bills were ordered paid.

C. & P. Tel Co.	15 86
Westinghouse 6 bills	307 36
Rumsey	91 68
Clifton Hope & Son	8 72
Freight	2 14
With holding tax	119 60
Lee Elec Ser.	16 17
Benson & Wales	54 06
Comptroller of Treas.	134 58

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Lucas Bros	3 32	
General Electric	1183 00	
ESPSC	4755 87	
Rudes Ser. Sta.	21 15	
Morton Sign Service	7 50	
Making a total of		6721 01
Meter deposits ordered refunded		
C.H. Sherman	5 00	
Theodore Allen	5 00	
Eugene Lewis	5 00	
Joseph D. Harper	5 00	
Gerald Anderson	5 00	25 00
Grand Total		6746 01

Mr. Fairbank called attention to the fact that several months ago the Commission had agreed to buy the transformer owned by J.R. Thomas and Harvey Hall. They were very anxious for this transaction to be completed. Motion made to pay J.R. Thomas and Harvey Hall each \$500 for the transformer.

Mr. Jones called attention to a promise made the last time the men's salaries were raised - that another raise would be considered in six months. It was moved and carried to raise each man's salary \$500 per week.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cliff L. Agan, sec.

June - 1951

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, June 13th. All members present.

Minutes of May meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported the transformer servicing J. R. Thomas and Harvey Hall had been signed over by them to the Utilities and they had been paid for same.

Letter had been received from Mr. Samuel Jackson concerning load at Foose Plant but still was not definite as to what power he would need.

Mr. Fairbank reported having met with the County Commissioners and was told the road running to Mr. Fred Harper's property near Royal Oak is a county road but the one running to Oakwood Inn is not a county road. A letter had been written Mr. Scott telling him the Oakwood Inn Road was not maintained by the County therefore the electric line to their properties would have to be paid for by the customers. Mr. Fairbank had since been out there and given them an estimate for erecting line across the property of Oliver R. Kirby.

The line to Mr. Daniel Murdock's property has been completed and Mr. Murdock connected. Mr. Lewis had asked to be connected but there had been no provision made for meter.

The second mobile ^{radio} unit had been order. Cost to be less than \$500.00.

The secretary reported having asked.

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Mr. Mills for \$7500.00 insurance on materials and that an inspector had been here and inspected the entire building but so far no policy had been received.

Mr. Shannahan reported having had a caller from the Choptank Electric Cooperative. He claimed they were losing money and wanted relief on their rates. He had suggested the Utilities release them from their contract so they could hook up with the ESPSC. It was the decision of the Commission that the hook up would stay as it is.

Dr. Fairbank reported that George Squires Jr returned to work June 4th and is doing very well. Mr. Shannahan said the Judge brot him home on The say so of the Commission. He has to report to the Judge Dec. 14th.

Letter read from the Middle Atlantic Utility Radio Association saying their records showed that Clifton L. Hope is the Active Member representing this Commission. As it was not clear what this meant the secretary was instructed to write the Association for information.

Letter from W. Clarke Grieb, manager of Hope House stating he did not think our regulations would require him to pay a meter deposit. It was decided that Mr. Grieb would not be required to pay the deposit.

The following bills authorized to be paid.

Westinghouse	1081 36
Rumsey	132 99
C + P. Telephone Co.	15 32
Addresso - Multi	1 13
Quattle Lumber Co.	19 48
Freight	32 9
Nightman's Electronic Engineer Co.	367 95
Rndrs Ser. Sta.	49 07
Elliott Equip Co.	11 25
ESPSC	4762 92

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Lee Elec. Ser.	19 00	
Clifton Hope + Son	19 07	
J. J. Wells Co.	39 20	
Notary	1 00	
Comptroller o Treas	122 29	
With holding tax	127 80	
Graybar Elec. Co.	53 49	
Total		6826 61
Refunds		
Edgar Dennis	5 00	
Robert Flowers	5 00	
Eleanor Harper	5 00	
A. D. Robinson	5 00	
Virginia Robinson	5 00	
Dr. Chas. P. Waite res + office	10 00	
Charles Cooper	5 00	
Total		40 00
Grand Total		6866 61

The meter deposit of Mrs Emma Burrons beauty shop was discussed. Mrs Burrons had paid a \$10.00 deposit but seldom used more than the minimum due to the fact that her lights were on the house meter paid by Mr. Collingwood. It was decided the deposit should stay as it due to the classification.

The secretary asked if Mrs Fink would get two weeks vacation. It was decided that as she had been working a year she would be granted two weeks.

It was decided that Clifton Jones and George Lee should have license to operate the radio in case of emergency.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to have four more door keys made so that he could have

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one also Mr. Lee and Mr. Shannahan and one extra to stay in shop. Mr. Jones already had a key.

Mr. Fairbank said a boy in Newcomb had applied for a job for the summer. He was instructed to hire the boy for groundwork.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Chas. L. Hoja, Sec

July - 1951

The regular meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, July 11th. Those present were - Messrs Shannahan, Lee, & Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Shannahan had looked into the matter of insurance on materials and found a binder had been issued until the building had been re-rated.

The secretary reported a letter had been received from Mr. Odorn suggesting Mr Fairbank be named the active member representing the Utilities in the Middle Atlantic Utility Radio Association. The Association had been so notified.

It was agreed to pay for 1/8 page space in the Miles River Yacht Club Regatta program.

The following bills ordered paid

Freight	19 63
Malcolm Caplan cards	50 00
Claude Ireland	3 00
C & P. Tel Co.	15 43
Westinghouse	404 80
Graybar	164 18
With holding tax	180 30
Box rent	75
Malcolm Caplan env	17 48
Nightman's	6 45
Artcraft	551 84
Star Democrat	21 80
Comptroller of Treas	150 19
Rowlenson Paint Co.	32 50
R.O. Ser. Sta.	3 75
Lucas Bros	5 42
ESPSC.	4684 66
Rudes Ser Sta.	46 81
D.W. Corkran & Co	150 00

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Total		6508.99
Refunds to		
Das. T. Pastorfield	5.00	
Pearl Palmer	5.00	
Mrs Newton Roming	5.00	
Roland Seymour	5.00	
Total		20.00
Grand Total		6528.99

The secretary reported Mrs Fristoe had asked that the cards to be sent out to residence of St. M in regard to house numbers be addressed on the 'Utilities' addressograph. The secretary had agreed to address cards when time permitted and it was her opinion that anyone outside of the office not be permitted to use the addressograph. This was agreed to by The Commission.

Mr. Fairbank planning to take his vacation the week of July 15th. In case of emergency he could be reached at Hastings Hotel, Ocean City.

Richard Lee has been waiting to be hooked up. His bill of \$181.77 pending since May 1st had not been paid. Mr. Fairbank had taken a bill and a note to be signed for him to designate which way he wanted to pay. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to connect him the following Monday and if bill was not paid in a reasonable time it would be given Mr. Hughlett Henry to collect.

Mr. Jackson's Fusee plant had been granted a ten day temporary cut in card for testing machinery. The tester had been called to N.J. and they will not be able to test for an indefinite time. It was decided to cut off the connection and cut in when they were ready to test.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned
 Clifton L. Nye, sec.

July 1951 Special

A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening July 25th, 7:30. Those in attendance were Messrs Shannahan and Jones. J. Clifton Jones acted as secretary.

It was voted at this meeting to employ William Seymour to work for the Utilities Commission beginning August 6th at a salary of \$50⁰⁰ per week and after a month if his services and conduct prove satisfactory to raise his salary to \$55⁰⁰ per week. Then after another month if his services and conduct continue to improve to raise his salary to \$60⁰⁰ per week.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

J. Clifton Jones, acting sec.

Copied by Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held July 30th 8:00 P.M. All Commissioners present. It was decided to trade in the old Ford Truck for a new one as soon as permission of Town Commissioners was granted.

The amount of \$255.38 will be allowed on the old truck. Cost to Utilities will be \$1350⁰⁰ plus \$21⁰⁰ for a spot light plus \$72⁰⁰ to change tires from 600x16 to 650x16 six ply.

J. Clifton Jones - acting sec.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

August - 1951

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, August 8, 1951. Those present were Messrs Shannahan + Jones and the secretary.

Minutes of July regular meeting and special meetings of July 25th and 30th read and approved.

The secretary reported Richard Lee had signed a note for his bill but had omitted his wife's signature and that of a witness. Note had been returned for other signatures.

As William Seymour reported for work July 30 his first raise, ^{to 55⁰⁰} will be in effect the week ^{beginning} ~~of~~ Sept 3rd and the second, ^{raise} the week beginning Oct. 1st if services continue to be satisfactory. It was also decided to raise Franklin R. Kilman's salary at the same time to the same figures.

The Fire department having asked for lights for their carnival for the week it was decided to give them whatever they wanted.

Switches for Miles River Neck and Newcomb have been ordered which will take care of part of line cutting out. Trouble

Harrison + Jarboe at McDaniel have been having trouble which appears to be not enough power to run machinery. Mr. Shannahan said he would talk to Mr. Fairbank about putting up another transformer.

Letter from Mrs. Audrey Huppman complaining about current being off so many times lately and that lights flicker and fans run slow speed. Secretary was instructed to answer letter.

It has been decided to put numbers on all poles belonging to the Utilities. The secretary was instructed to find out where to buy them and prices.

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It was suggested a larger map be secured if possible so poles could be shown. Secretary to try to locate map 2" to 1 mi.

The following bills ordered paid.

Wm. C. Mills Agent	120 75
Rumsey	370 44
Freight	6 84
Las. T. Morris	45 00
R. L. Cohee	3 97
C + P. Tel Co.	19 06
Westinghouse	342 43
Clifton Hope & Son	7 25
Aircraft	12 99
Addresso Multi.	3 08
General Electric	470 00
Lee Elec. Service	19 15
Star Democrat	1 50
Noble Motor Co.	1443 00
Superior Switchboard + Devices	12 60
Claude Ireland	13 20
With holding tax	151 00
ESPSC.	52 73 67
Stamps	1 00
Rudes Per Sta.	38 70
Hudsons Pharmacy	1 75
Total	<u>8357 07</u>

Refunds

Norman Oyster	5 00
Rev Wm. R. C. Mills	5 00
Mrs. W. Thomas	5 00
Dr. P. B. Lewis	5 00
Mrs. Philip Lang	5 00
Grand total	<u>25 00</u>
	8382 07

The Secretary reported that after these bills are paid the balance in bank would be \$2709.22.

Clifton L. Hope, sec.

September 4, 1951

A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission and members of the Board of Town Commissioners was held at the Town Office Sept. 4th. All members of both Utilities and Town Commissioners were present.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss a letter received from the Macungie Silk Company who plan to locate a plant on the St. Michaels - Easton Road, providing suitable electric service can be obtained to operate said plant. In order to render such service, it would require the St. Michaels Utilities Commission to rebuild their line with heavier wire from Kirkham to the farm of R. B. Dixon and from R. B. Dixon's to the site of the plant at an estimated cost of \$650000 not including transformers.

After a lengthy discussion by members of the Utilities and Town Commissioners, a motion was made by James M. Waters and seconded by R. Eugene Rude that a contract be made between Easton Utilities Commission and St. Michaels Utilities Commission whereby we relinquish our rights for them to serve the Macungie Silk Company with current provided they agree only to serve said company and no others. A vote was taken and it was unanimously carried. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

J. Clifton Jones

acting secretary

Copied by Elfta L. Hoja, sec.

September, 1951

The regular meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, September 12th, 1951. All members present

Minutes of the August regular meeting and Special meeting of September 4th read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported having hired George W. Simmons at \$40.00 per week. He started to work Tuesday Sept 11th

A contract has been drawn up between Easton Utilities and St. Michaels whereby Easton Util. is to serve the Macumdie Silk Company with electric current. No other party in the St. Michaels Utilities jurisdiction to be served by Easton.

Richard Lee has returned note fully signed and has been making payments.

The matter of two bills issued to Mr. R. Eugene Rude September 1st was discussed. 80 cents had been added to each bill for gross rates of bills of Aug. 1st. These were not paid until Aug. 16th which was one day after the dead line. Mr. Rude claimed the check was mailed Aug. 15th. The post mark date was Aug 16th 11 A.M. After a lengthy discussion a motion was made and carried to cancel the charges of \$1.60 against Mr. Rude.

Motion made and carried to accept payments for net rates of those from Town customers received in the morning mail of the 16th of the month and from Rural customers received in the morning mail of the first day of the month.

Motion made and carried to raise Franklin R. Wilmon's salary \$5.00 per week, making it \$55.00 per week.

Demands thru
Sept. 51

Sept. 15	48 at 8 P.M.	Sept 1-51 -	9.00 PM.
16	39 at 8:30 P.M.	2-45	"
17	45 at 7: P.M.	3-43 -	9.30 PM
18	45 at 7	4-45	9.15
19	44 at 7	5-46	9.00
20	46 at 8	6-45	"
21	48 at 7:30	7-46	"
22	47 at 8	8-46	"
23	43 7	9-42	"
24	44 8	10-45	"
25	43 7:30	11-45	"
26	46 7	12-46	"
27	45 7	13-47	"
28	46 7	14-47	"
29	45 7		
30	42 7		

Demands thru
Sept. 51

Sept. 15	48 at 8 P.M.	Sept 1-51 - 9.00 P.M.
16	39 at 8:30 P.M.	2-45 "
17	45 at 7: P.M.	3-43 - 9.30 P.M.
18	45 at 7	4-45 9.15
19	44 at 7	5-46 9.00
20	46 at 8	6-45 "
21	48 at 7:30	7-46 "
22	47 at 8	8-46 "
23	43 7	9-42 "
24	44 8	10-45 "
25	43 7:30	11-45 "
26	46 7	12-46 "
27	45 7	13-47 "
28	46 7	14-47 "
29	45 7	
30	42 7	

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It was reported that William H. Seymour has been suspended. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to hire him in the future only if he needed him for line work. He is not to read meters or take truck out. His salary to be \$1.14 per hour.

Mr. Samuel Jackson Jr, has asked if there was any way possible to reduce the cost of his line by using a smaller transformer. After some discussion it was decided to write Mr. Jackson saying that it was the opinion of the Commission that things should be left as they are.

Mr. L.A. Gibson has been complaining about low voltage.

Mr. Lee reported Mr. Love is having trouble with low voltage. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to check transformer. It was suggested the transformer should be closer to the house.

The numbers for poles have come. Mr. Fairbank proposes to number all poles in town beginning with No. 1. and out of town begin with No. 1. numbering the main lines to the end and each branch line beginning with no. 1.

The ESPSC man to be here Sept. 13th to check on line where the Utilities is to use their poles.

A bid from Bowman Tree Experts had been received Motion made to accept the bid as outlined by letter.

The trouble which had occurred in the vicinity of Hudsons and American Store has been corrected by adding another Transformer.

It is an order of The Commission that Utility trucks are not to be used for any purpose except business. Mr. Fairbank to be responsible for trucks and give permission for use.

Mr. Lee reported Mr. Quillen had asked him to bring up the question about reducing his rates. It was decided to meet with Mr. Quillen and find out what he proposes to do.

The secretary was instructed to have the ad in the Star Democrat discontinued.

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Mr. Fairbank asked for an oil heater for the shop. Request granted

Mr. N. E. Bartlett wishes to turn electric line over to the Utilities. Mr. Fairbank says it is not advisable.

Mr. Shannahan has had information that Social Security for municipal employees would go into effect October 1st. Secretary was instructed to write for information.

The following bills to be paid

Freight	24 79
Gray Bar Electric	314 81
Westinghouse	113 07
St. M. Fender & Welding Shop	8 00
C. & P. Tel. Co	23 52
James T. Morris	145 00
Artcraft	308 02
Rumsey	921 55
Clifton Hope & Son	9 73
Lee Electric Service	37 03
Cook the Florist	10 00
Huttie Lumber Co.	29 57
Star Democrat	7 50
G. W. Kelley	3 70
Rudes Ser. Sta.	3 62
Comptroller of Treas	145 04
ESPSC.	5560 39
Wm. C. Mills Agent	212 00
Malcolm Caplan	7 46
Withholding tax	176 90
St. M. Bank	2 00

Total

Refunds

Ernest Luongo 5 00

John Armstrong 5 00

There being no further business the meeting adjourned Clifton Hope

October - 1951

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, October 10th, Messrs. Shannahan, Lee, Fairbank and the secretary present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved
The following bills were ordered paid

Henry & Henry	25 00	
Claude Ireland	43 75	
Nightman's	31 10	
Coppenweld Steel Co.	360 87	
Rowlenson Print. Co.	4 50	
Rumsey	1131 43	
Westinghouse	682 25	
C & P. Tel. Co.	17 52	
Malcolm Caplan Box rent	75	
Lucas Bros	9 60	
With holding tax	125 70	
Cook the Florist	5 00	
Addresso-Multi Corp.	7 08	
Artercraft	49 79	
Clifton Hope & Son	9 28	
Lee Elec. Service	10 03	
Comptroller of Treas.	154 94	
ESPSC	5259 55	
Rude's Ser. Sta	23 51	
J. I. Wells	439 04	
Stewart's Express	5 03	
Noble Motor Co.	20 40	
Easton Star Democrat	42 90	8459 01
Total		
Refunds -		
Margaret Brooks	5 00	
Elmer Fields	5 00	
Ennice Chester	5 00	
Eugene Cecil	5 00	20 00
		8479 01

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The Girl Scouts have asked permission to use the room over The Shop for their meetings. The secretary was instructed to write a letter to The Girl Scouts giving them permission to use The room until it is needed by The Utilities.

A check on the demand of August and September showed September was less than August. Mr. Lee suggested a recording demand meter for the St. Michaels Milling Co. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to get one.

Mr. Frank Bearman wanted to know if the Utilities had put up a pole for him. He was under the impression that Clando Inland had done it. Mr. Fairbank stated that the pole was put up by the Utilities.

It was agreed to raise the salary of Franklin R. Kilmon \$5⁰⁰ per week making his salary \$60⁰⁰ per week, this to be in effect the week beginning October 15th.

Mr. Fairbank reported that George Squires Jr. was making out allright with his work. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec

MEMO

To: Demand
7 Months of Oct. 1951

1-52 - 5:00 PM.	21-44 - 4:30 - Sun
2-52 - 7:30 PM.	22-55 - 6.00
3-53 - 8.00 PM.	23-57 - 5.30
4-51 - 7.40 PM.	24-55 - 6.15
5-54 - 7.15 PM.	25-57 - 5.45
6-54 - 8.30 PM.	26-55 - 5.30
7-42 - 6.30 PM, Sun	27-54 - 5.30
8-50 - 7.15 PM.	28-45 - 8.00 - Sun
9-57 - 7.30 PM.	29-57 - 5.30
10-58 - 7.30	30-60 - 5.30
11-54 - 7.45	31-55 - 5.00
12-58 - 8.10	
13-56 - 8.15	
14-46 - 6.45 Sun.	
15-53 - 6.30	
16-58 - 6.15	
17-55 - 5.30	
18-54 - 6.00	
19-58 - 6.30	
20-55 - 6.00	

ERNEST W.M. MOORE

~~116 Elm Avenue~~

Phone. Salisbury 2-1394

~~Salisbury, Maryland~~

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY

November 1951

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, November 14, 1951. All members present.

Minutes of October meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported a letter had been written to the Potomac Electric Co asking about a recording demand meter for St. Michaels Milling Co. As there had been no reply he had ordered one from the factory.

Bowman Tree Experts are still trimming trees. They have finished Newcomb's Royal Oak and Claiborne.

Changing the high power line to the new location along the railroad track has been held up waiting for drawings of the area.

The following bills ordered paid

Freight	15 95	
C & P. Tel Co	17 92	
Gray bar.	135 14	
Artercraft	270 69	
Clifton Hope & Son	1 60	
Benson & Nales	42 96	
Bowman Tree Experts	304 50	
St. Mich. Ser. Sta	3 25	
Lee Elec Ser.	72 74	
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	3 75	
ESPSC.	5546 29	
Comptroller of Treas	135 18	
Withholding tax	125.00	
Rumsey	62 17	
Rudes Ser. Sta.	<u>39 37</u>	
Total		
Refunds		
Norman Roberts	5 00	
Henry Abram	5 00	
Maj. Howard Morgan	<u>5 00</u>	
Total		15 00
Grand Total		

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Letter read from Benson & Wales stating the Adjustmen Bureau had denied liability on Ford truck on the grounds that this was not a theft but claimed it was merely unauthorized use of the car.

The secretary was instructed to write Benson & Wales saying the Commissioners did not agree with the decision and feel the claim should be paid.

A letter read from Town Commissioners stating they had given the Girl Scouts permission to use the room over the garage for their meetings.

The demand chart for October showed the demand was highest October 30, at 530 P.M. - 720 KW. Mr. Jones is to check to see if the St. Michaels Milling Co was running at that time.

Mr. Roy Malin at Newcomb had expressed a desire to read meters. A discussion followed as to the advisability of having some one read all meters. Motion made and carried to offer Mr. Malin \$100⁰⁰ a month to read meters, he furnishing his own car. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to have Mr. Malin come down and explain the situation to him.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clyde L. Hope, sec.

December 1951

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, December 12th 1951. Those present were Messrs. Shannahan, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary. Minutes of the November meeting read and approved.

The lease for a plot of ground adjoining Taylor's coal yard had been received, signed and notarized. This ^{ground} to be used by the Utilities for a sub station.

Mr. Fairbank reported Mr. Ray Malin had gone with him to read meters in the town but has informed him he cannot take the job, due to his physical condition. It was the decision of the Commissioners that there was no salary due Mr. Malin as he had done no actual work.

It was decided to pay for the 300 TB seals received. Mr. Fairbank reported the demand meter for the mill had come.

As December 14th was the day set for George Squires to report to Judge Carter, Mr. Lee was asked to accompany him.

The secretary called attention to bills past due. Maxwell's Inc's bill was past due and. The present occupants are planning to leave the last of Dec. Mr. Lee called the owner, Mr. Collingwood, asking what to do about it. Mr. Collingwood asked that the current not be disconnected and said he would take care of it.

The secretary was instructed to charge off the bills of Oliver R. Kirby for materials and J.A. Andrew and Mrs. Penney he Compte for current.

It was decided to continue paying Orrroughs Adding Machine Company to service the adding machine.

The following bills were ordered paid

Geo. B. Taylor & Son	7 91
Bonman Tree Experts	525 00

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Rumsey	156 41
Kastenhuber & Anderson	21 60
Mid Dept Forests & Parks	44 46
Address-Multi.	4 64
C & P. Tel Co	15 02
Rowlenson Print Co	5 50
Gray bar	2 00
Jas. T. Morris	11 50
Sarn's Ser Sta	2 90
Lee Elec Ser.	21 82
Burroughs Add. Machine Co.	20 49
Clifton Hope & Son	4 07
Rudes Ser Sta	46 50
ESPSC.	5794 56
Freight	2 37
Flora Harrison	1 50
Art craft	114 67
Westinghouse	25 76
Comptroller of Treas.	140 08
Withholding tax	174 90
G. Dawson Taylor	15 00
Malcolm Caplan p cards	110 00
Total	7268 40

The Episcopal Church has asked The Utilities to furnish light for illuminating window for Christmas Services. Request granted.

It was moved and carried to give employees Christmas gifts as follows. Fairbank, Kilmon, Hope \$50⁰⁰ each, Fink, Squires \$25⁰⁰ each and Simmons \$25⁰⁰ provided he is staying with the Utilities.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton Hope, sec.

January - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, Jan 9th, 1952. Those present were Messrs Shannahan, Lee, Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read & approved.

An estimate for fencing new substation adjoining Taylor's Coal yard received from Anchor Post Products, Inc. The amount stated was \$552.66. This was accepted, subject to the approval of the Town Commissioners. The secretary was instructed to write the Commissioners asking their approval.

Mr. Lee reported having escorted George Squires to Court Dec. 14th. By order of The Judge, Squires is to continue as before for another six months and to report back in June.

A letter from the Town Commissioners read stating George S Lee had been appointed Utilities Commissioner for another period of three years, beginning Jan. 1, 1952, and also expressed their appreciation for the splendid job the Commission is doing.

A meeting for Civil Defense to be held in Easton Jan 14th & 15th. The Utilities have been asked to send a representative to the meetings. Mr. Fairbank was appointed to represent the Utilities.

The following bills were ordered paid.

Comptroller of Treasury	144 92
Superior Switch boards	21 33
Rowlenson Printing Co.	25 00
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	13 27
Md. Dept. of Forests & Parks	44 39
Alfred L. Smith	17 50
Malcolm Caplan stamps	10 00
Bowman Tree Experts	131 25
Malcolm Caplan Box rent	75
C. & P. Tel Co.	14 42
Freight	10 08

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Benson & Wales	52 71	
Rmsey	179 69	
Westinghouse	335 92	
Art craft	49 20	
Lucas Bros	47 63	
With holding tax	142 50	
Gray bar	54 40	
Clifton Hope & Son	7 04	
Noble P Szymour	16 42	
Lee Electric Service	20 57	
ESPSC	6136 60	
PN Harrison	10 00	
Rudes Service Sta.	49 64	
Geo S Lee	60 00	
Total	7595 23	7595 23
Refunds		
J.A. Andrew (on bill)	5 00	
Ronald Coleman garage	10 00	
Eleanor Harper	5 00	
C1 Heikus for Jerry Coulson	5 00	
Harry Baldwin	5 00	30 00
		7625 23

Motion carried to donate \$10⁰⁰ to The March of Dimes

Mr Fairbank reported that the Utilities' part of the Deep Water Point Farm line is about finished. The Telephone Co planted the poles and the Utilities put up the wire and replaced five poles

George Simmons who had been working for the Utilities has left. Mr. Fairbank asked for suggestions about getting help. Mr. Lee was asked to place an ad for linemen in Baltimore paper.

Mr. Lee stated Dr Milholland had asked if the Utilities would be willing for him to install

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a radio in his car on the same frequency as the utilities so he could be called in case of an emergency. It was decided not to grant this.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, March 12, 1952. Messrs Jones, Lee, and Fairbank and the secretary present.

Minutes of January meeting read and approved.

It was reported that the fencing for the new substation had arrived.

Card received from The St. Michaels Ambulance Association asking for contribution. Motion carried to donate \$5⁰⁰.

The following bills for two months authorized to be paid.

Malcolm Caplan stamps	10 00
March of Dimes	10 00
Bowman Tree Experts	319 37
Rumsey	364 46
George B. Taylor & Son	16 49
C & P. Telephone Co.	34 72
Huttel Lumber Co.	3 34
Nesting house	75 15
Lee Elec. Service	30 68
Nesting house	582 12
Comptroller of Treasury	303 30
With holding Tax	316 30
Roads Ser. Sta.	97 94
ESPSC.	11521 82
George C Barr Inc.	47 25
Addresso-Multi Corp.	5 17

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Notary + Postage	2 00	
Gray bar	39 71	
J. I. Wells Co.	392 00	
Malcolm Caplan	17 46	
Clifton Hope + Son	9 80	
Henry + Henry	24 00	14223 08
The following refunds authorized		
Howard Dennis	5 00	
Maxwell's Inc	10 00	
Robert Baynard	5 00	
Dowey Green	5 00	25 00
<u>Total</u>		<u>14248 08</u>

The map^{tracing} of the area serviced by the Utilities which the secretary had been drawing had been finished. An estimate for photographing and printing three copies had been received, from Renninger + Graves, Inc. Philadelphia The cost to be \$40.16. Motion made and carried to have three copies made.

Letter from Hugo R. Hoffman read. Complaining about the \$1.60 charged for not paying his two bills of December 15th before the last of month. He has paid for two months since that time and both times has deducted 80 cents from each bill.

Motion made and carried to increase George Squires Jr's salary to \$40.00 per week.

Motion made and carried to increase Ellis Hednum's salary to \$45.00 per week. Both to take effect at once.

Letter from Bentley Brandt Jr. referred to. He has asked for a 10KVA transformer to replace the one already in use. Mr. Fairbank said he would take care of it.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoja, sec.

April - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, April 10, 1952. Those present were Messrs Jones, Lee and Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of March meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported that Mr. Berkley Brandt's Transformer had been taken care of.

Mr. Norman Shannahan is in Memorial Hospital, Easton.

Note of thanks from Mrs Shannahan for basket of fruit sent to him.

Mr. Lee asked when the high power line would be taken from Water Street. He pointed out the danger in case of fire.

The secretary reported there had been no reply from the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. giving permission to cross railroad track. That permission will have to be received before new line can be connected and present line removed.

Mr. Fairbank said he had been trying for over a year to get a battery charger. Mr. Lee is to order one for the Utilities.

Charles W. Johnson has been hired for work at \$40.00 per week.

The following bills were authorized paid.

George B. Taylor & son	4 56
George W. Simmons	2 37
Rumsey	278 22
States Co.	22 31
Gray bar	99 60
Anchor Past Products Inc.	552 66
Postage etc	3 55
Penninger & Graves	40 16
Rowlenson Print Co.	23 00
Rudes Service Sta.	30 32
Sam's Service Sta.	4 12

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Clifton Hope + Son	175	
E. S. P. S. C.	556584	
Comptroller of treas	14146	
J. J. Nells	47530	
C. + P. Tel Co.	1280	
Malcolm Caplan	75	
With holding tax	14470	
Claude Ireland	3950	
Lee Elec. Ser.	2527	
Westinghouse	18830	
Total		765654
Refunds to		
John Ferraro	500	
E Frances Bedsworth	500	
Herbert Floyd	500	
Chas. Phoenix	500	
William Prahl	500	
Total		2500
Grand total		768154

Mr. Jos. Evans has been asking for a light on the pole by his house. Mr Fairbank said he would take care of it.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hope, sec.

May, 1952

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday, May 14, 1952. Those present were Messrs. Jones, Lee, Fairbank and the Secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved
Permission has been granted by The Pennsylvania RR to cross the tracks with electric line.

Note of thanks read from Mrs. Ethel V. Shannahan.

Motion made and carried to pass resolutions for Mr. Norman M. Shannahan who died May 8th and have same spread on the minutes of this meeting. Also sending a copy to the family.

WHEREAS

The Almighty Father of the Universe has seen fit to call from this life of labor to rest, Norman M. Shannahan, president and fellow member of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission of Saint Michaels, Maryland, and

WHEREAS

By his passing, the Commission has lost a faithful and conscientious member, a true friend, a man of brilliant mind and one who had the interest of this community at heart,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

That an expression of our sympathy and regrets be spread upon the minutes of the commission and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That a copy be sent to the family of the deceased and that a copy be sent to the county paper.

J. Clifton Jones
George N. Lee

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Letter read from W.M. Scott asking the Utilities to service ^{in Church Neck} three year round customers and one part time customer. The Telephone Co. is to install phone at his place and at Nickersons. An estimate of cost for electric line was asked for. Mr. Fairbank had already looked over the place and had given estimate. Nickerson and Scott preferred to pay cash. Mr. Yugas preferred 12 month plan. Permission has been granted by Telephone Co. to use poles. Motion made and carried to approve running line on telephone poles to these places.

Letter from Dr. Wm. A. Karsunky accepting estimate of \$1405.99 to build line in Pea Neck.

Letter from Fred J Greenfield, Jr. pres. of the Volunteer Fire Department asking for service for carnival to be held July 28th thru August 2nd on High School grounds. Motion carried to grant service as in past years.

The following bills authorized paid

Geo. B Taylor & Son	536
Stewart's Express	804
Rimsey -	14860
postage 39 flags 1.21	160
P. O. Ser. Sta	314
C. & P. Tel Co	1425
Rand McNally & Co.	1658
Addresso - Nutt Corp	304
Westinghouse -	8229
Graybar	26432
C. Hope & Son	1043
Danson & Nales	5304
Nuttle Lumber Co.	323

Lee Elec Ser.	19 02	
Comptroller of Treas.	146 69	
Withholding tax	136 60	
W.C. Mills Agent	120 75	
ESPSC.	5384 64	
freight	4 04	
Malcolm Caplan cards	100 00	6525 66
Total		

The following refunds to be made

Leroy Newnam	10 00	
L.T. Gen. Richard Nugent	5 00	
William Newnam	5 00	
Lillian Spurrey	5 00	
Harry Hudson	5 00	30 00
Grand Total		6555 66

Letter from the Federal Communications Commission in regard to irregularities in operating radio. The secretary was instructed to write the Commission saying we were willing to cooperate in every way and asking them to advise who we could get to check the carrier frequency and modulation as we knew of no one in this territory to do it.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

June - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night June 11, 1952. All members present. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Letter read from the Town Commissioners appointing A Gunby Reese Utilities Commissioner in the place of the Norman M Shannahan. Term expires January 1, 1954.

Mr. J. Clifton Jones was elected president of the Commission for the balance of the year. Clifton L. Hope elected secretary + treasurer.

Mr. Fairbank reported the line in Church Neck to Mr. Scott's property was completed and Mr. Scott had been turned on.

It was reported that the radios had been checked and report sent to the Federal Communications Commission.

It was moved and carried to accept the proposition of George Sevier to service the radios at \$20⁰⁰ per month. Secretary was instructed to write Mr Sevier asking that he put proposition in writing so we can have it in our files.

Note^{read} from Ethel V Shannahan expressing appreciation of Resolutions.

Letter read from Town Commissioners calling attention to the irregularity of Street lights coming on at night.

It was moved and carried to have Mr. Lee build a Light Control Relay. Mr. Lee estimated the cost would be about \$200⁰⁰.

Letter read from Miles River Yacht Club in reference to ad in 1952 regatta program book. Motion made and carried to insert same ad as last year. cost \$8⁰⁰.

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The following bills ordered paid	
C + P. Tel Co	17 17
Nightman's	30 45
Central Electric	117 18
Gray bar	133 81
Rumsey	19 13
Sirkin	1 17
Westinghouse	170 74
Paster board	1 00
Rudes Service Sta.	94 86
St. D. Bank	2 00
Cook the Florist	15 00
Lee Electric	37 24
ESPSC.	526 52
With holding tax	172 00
Sales tax	139 25
Rowlenson	33 50
Star Democrat	2 25
Total	6248 27
The following refunds paid	
James Lednum	5 00
Otis George	5 00
Thomas Jump	10 00
Earl Harrison	5 00
Milford Warner	5 00
Total	30 00

As a number of customers have moved from our service without paying their bills and without a meter deposit large enough to cover the bill it was suggested Mr. Fairbank work out a schedule for meter deposits that would be sufficient to take care of such cases in the future.

Mr. Jos Fairbank has asked for a street light to be installed close to his

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house. He has been asked to write a letter stating his case.

The Town Commissioners have suggested that the doors to the garage be repaired and window lights put in. It was ~~at that~~ pointed out by Mr. Fairbank that the doors were too rotten to hold nails or to hold the window glass. It was also pointed out that that part of the front of the building that is shingled is ready to fall down. The Town Commissioners were called to the office and after looking over the situation and discussing the matter it was suggested by them to have bids on new doors for the garage and putting a brick face on the rest of the front wall. The Town Commissioners would prefer that the Utilities have the work done and they would give their approval on spending the money to have the work done. Mr. Ed Fitzpatrick and Mr. Charles Brewster were the contractors mentioned.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifford A. Dejea, sec.

July - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, July 9th, 1952. Those present were Messrs. Jones, Lee, Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read + approved.

Mr. Jones read a letter from Mr. Enby Reese saying he could not attend the meeting and to call on him at any time he could be of assistance.

Mr. Fairbank reported having contacted Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Brewster for bids on garage doors and front of building.

Mr. Brewster had been to look at the building but Mr. Fitzpatrick had not been here. It was decided to give Mr. Fitzpatrick one more chance to make a bid.

The secretary reported having written George Sevier but there had been no reply. It was suggested to write him again asking for immediate reply.

At the ^{shipyard} property belonging to the H. P. Brown estate Mr. Earle Haddaway has a drop cord to convey current to his house which is next door. This being a fire hazard the secretary was instructed to write the attorney, Mr. Wm. Reddie suggesting he have the house closed and have the current cut off.

A schedule for meter deposits has been worked out by Mr. Fairbank and the secretary. The minimum deposit to be \$5⁰⁰ which includes lights and four small appliances, such as radio, toaster, mixer, sweeper, waffle iron, percolator, roaster, fan. If over four - \$1⁰⁰ extra will be charged and \$1⁰⁰ each of other appliances. ~~As~~ As far as possible

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The customer is to check and sign a list. The list to be kept as a record. The Commissioners approved this schedule.

- As the ES PSC are contemplating raising their rates their contract with us has been sent Mr. Hughtett Henry to examine to see if the Utilities rates could lawfully be raised if the ES PSC so desired.

- It was decided to retain Mr. Lee S. Gillis as the Utilities lawyer beginning August 1, 1952.

Letter read from the Town Commissioners asking \$100⁰⁰ per month rent for the use of the building. This to begin July 1st

Complimentary letter from Mrs. G. K. Bashore
Letter from Choptank Electric Cooperative, Inc. stating their take-off pole is in bad condition and should be replaced. They asked if the Utilities could do it or would we prefer them to do the work and bill the Utilities

- The secretary was instructed to write Choptank and ask for estimate cost for doing the work if the Utilities furnished the pole

The secretary had received by telephone a request from Mrs Block of Civil Defense for use of radio in time of emergency. It was suggested this request be in writing as it was not clearly understood how it would work.

- Mr. Lee suggested - beginning with the July 15th bills, the customers owing for two months should be sent registered letters with return receipt. Form letter to be printed

As there has been so much complaint

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in regard to the reading of meters Mr. Fairbank was instructed to tell Mr. Lomax he would be given one more month to improve his meter reading and if not satisfactory at the end of that time his services would no longer be needed.

Mr. Fairbank was informed that Mr. W. M. Coleman would like to have his transformer moved.

It was suggested that the office be kept open continuously from 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. and Mrs. Fink's hours be increased so that she will work five days from 9:00 A.M. to 12:30 and one day from 12:30 to 4:30. Her salary to be \$20⁰⁰ per week.

The following bills authorized paid

Freight -	17 49
Stamps	1 00
Miles River Yacht Club	8 00
Rumsey	134 39
Lucas Bros	6 32
C + P. Tel Co	15 14
Artcraft	148 26
Westinghouse	82 03
C. Hope + Son	5 92
Malcolm Caplan	12 46
Lee Elec Ser.	24 32
ESPSC.	5302 88
Dawson Taylor rent	15 00
Comptroller of Treas	156 12
With holding tax	133 90
Social Security	135 94
Hastings Brothers	9 50
Gray bar	104 27
Central Electric	73 60
Roun Com. rent	100 00
	6484 54

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The following Refunds

A.C. Whittington

5 00

Thos. Burckes

5 00

Gilbert Morris

5 00

Robert Garland

5 00

Prentice Winchell

5 00

Fletcher Hanks

5 00 30 00

Mr. Fairbank stated he is taking his vacation the week of July 20th

The secretary had planned a week's vacation beginning after bills were mailed or July 16th to July 22 inclusive. Any change in plans the Commissioners would be notified.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Oliver L. Noyce sec.

August - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, August 13th, 1952. Messrs Jones, Lee, Fairbank and the secretary present.

Minutes of The previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from C M Brewster, contractor, giving estimate on brick veneer front and sliding doors. He did not think it would run over \$1000⁰⁰.

No word yet from Mr. Fitzpatrick. The Commissioners decided to wait a week for Mr. Fitzpatrick's figures. If no word from him by that time to give contract to Mr. Brewster.

Letter from George F Sevier giving Radio Service plans. The Commissioners decided to accept his plan #1 which means Mr. Sevier will make frequency measurements etc at six month intervals. Cost of service to be \$60⁰⁰ per year paid in sums of \$30⁰⁰ each six months. Any repairs in between to be made by Mr. Whiteman. Mr. Fairbank was asked to contact Mr. Whiteman to see if he would take care of repair work.

Letter from Dr. T Hughlett Henry in regard to Eastern Shore Public Service Co. raising rates. Mr. Henry that it would not be legal to raise our rates according to contract, except the rate on fuel. The secretary reported Mr. John Dyer had been in and said the ESPSC could raise rate at any time.

Mr. Lee reported that he had talked to Lee S. Gillis and he consented to act as the Utilities' attorney.

Letter from Mr Yeoman of Choptank Electric not available at time of this meeting. It

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was written to say it would not be necessary to replace pole as they are moving their cutouts to the next pole

The secretary was instructed to write Dr. Ernest Bailey, the electric wiring inspector, in regard to temporary cutins we have in our files.

It was decided to continue sending "two month" bills by registered mail with return receipt.

The secretary was instructed to write Clifford Taylor about his bill on which he has made no payment for several months.

Letter from Mrs Bache complaining about having to write two checks each month to pay town and rural bills, and asked that we send all bills at the same time. The Commissioners stated that this could not be done.

The following bills authorized paid:

Jas. T. Morris	4500
Roxenon Point Co	750
C + P. Tel Co.	1503
Registered mail	2183
Colored pencils	50
Graybar	12931
Rumsey	3693
Addresso - Multi	294
ESPSC	619380
Claude Ireland	2625
Lee Elec. Ser.	2998
C. Hope + Son	519
Withholding Tax	13540
Sales Tax	15241
J. I. Wells Co.	32340
Commissioners of St. M. rent	10000

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Artcraft	5463	
Precision Equip Co	464	
N. E. Nixdorf	<u>835</u>	
Total		729349
Refunds to:		
John T. Spencer	500	
C. Paul Cox	500	
Wm. F. Harrison	500	
L. Herbert Griffith	500	
J. C. Sutphin	800	
Robert J. Allen	500	
Fred O'Dell	500	
Ellis Lednum	500	
Geo. W. Simmons	<u>1000</u>	<u>5300</u>
		734649

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr Gunby Reese saying we understand our meeting night conflicts with his other engagements and asking him if then ^{either} 4th Wednesday or 1st Tuesday would be convenient for him for a meeting night.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Hoje, sec.

September - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held, Wednesday evening, September 24th 1952. Those present were Messrs Lee, Reese, Fairbank and the secretary.

Mr. Lee presided in the absence of the president, Mr. V. Clifton Jones.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from Mr. Reese stating that the 4th Wednesday would suit him for monthly meetings.

Attention was called to the fact that the 4th Wednesday of November would be the night before Thanksgiving Day and the 4th Wednesday of December would be Christmas Eve. It was decided to continue the meetings on the 4th Wednesday thru

October and November and decide on a different date for December, later

letter read from Mr. John T Love. His August 15th bill was issued for 4706 KWH where previous bills had averaged 862 KWH. He claimed to have used less current during that period than when bills were less. He enclosed a check for \$30⁰⁰ which he stated was more than the average previous bills. He had had several tests made as to wiring, equipment etc and every thing checked out OK. He asked for an adjustment and stated he would be glad to cooperate should we want to make any further tests. A copy of his letter had been sent (by him) to the Public Service Commission. In regard to which a letter

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has been received from them asking for a reply.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to find out from Mr. Love when he started his equipment, size of his incubators, how many eggs set at a time and any thing else that would aid in checking for the amount of current that would be used. Mr. Fairbank was also instructed to attach a meter so as to give the equipment an eight hour test.

Mr. Henry Trippé's bill also jumped from 121+130 to 528 KNH for the August 15th bill.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Trippé stating we have decided to have the Public Service Commission make a check and the decision would be left in their hands. If found correct he would be held accountable for the bill.

The secretary was instructed to write The Public Service Commission asking them to check the meters of Mr. Love and Mr. Trippé.

The following bills were authorized paid:

Rmsey Elec. Co.	780 36
Lucas Bros	8 52
Wostinghouse	485 65
O. W. Corkran	150 00
Gray bar	515 24
Jas. T. Morris	148 10
C + P. Tel Co. 2mo	27 44
Miscellaneous	1 19
Town Commissioners rent	100 00
Freight	13 36
Clifton Hope + Son	11 55
Artcraft	477 28
Rudes Ser. Sta	22 67
ESPSC	6008 60
Lee Electric	33 57
Cambridge Office Supply Co.	1 15

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Malcolm Caplan P.M.	41 35	
With holding tax	172 90	
Comptroller of Treas	189 52	
Ready Made Sign Co.	18 48	
Muttle	2 69	
Geo B Taylor + Son	4 51	
Total		9114 16
The following Refunds authorized		
Reighly Creighton	10 00	
Bradford Corry	5 00	
Tanckious Swens	5 00	
Roy Spitzer	5 00	
Vernon Chance	5 00	
Alma Moore	5 00	
C L Murray	5 00	
Edgar Haddaway - Shipyard	5 00	
Russell H. Foss	5 00	
Laurence Roe	5 00	
Joseph Cherbannier	15 00	
Total		70 00
Grand Total		9184 16

As Mr. Brewster had not been notified to erect the new brick veneer front to the building and replace garage doors Mr. Fairbank requested that something be done to the shop before the front was changed. After heavy rains and during high tides the water covers the floor several inches and the side walls are rotting near the floor. The floor should be raised at least 14 inches.

It was decided to hold up the erecting of the brick front until a joint meeting with the Town Commissioners could be held to discuss the matter. Mr. Lee called Mr.

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Rude and arranged a joint meeting for Friday, September 26th at 7:00 o'clock. Mr. Rude to notify the other Commissioners.

Mr. Fairbank reported Charles Johnson had gone to North Carolina for a week and had been gone for two and a half weeks and no word from him. He said there should be some one to replace him as he had a lot of work on hand.

He also reported Mr. Lornax is no longer reading meters and there should also be some one to do that job.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Joyce, sec.

September - 1952 Special

A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission and the Town Commissioners was held Friday evening, Sept 26th.

Those present were all the Utilities Commissioners with Mr. Fairbank and the Secretary and Mr. Rude of the Town Com.

This meeting was called for the purpose of discussing improvements to the Utilities Shop.

Mr. Rude went into detail regarding the need of the Town to require as much money as possible for the next three years ^{to pay for the new sewer system now being installed} and persuaded the Utilities Commissioners to refrain from making any extensive improvements for that length of time.

He agreed to inform the other ^{Town} Commissioners that the Utilities men felt it would be throwing money away to refront the shop when it would have to be torn out at a future time when the rest is improved.

He also said he would ask the ^{Town} Commissioners to make an agreement that after three years when the sewer begins to pay its own expenses the Utilities will be authorized to rebuild the shop. He agreed to have that ^{in writing} part of the minutes given the Utilities ^{in writing} for their records.

He suggested that any repairs that needed to be made should be done.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Olfred R. Rude, sec

October - 1952

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, October 22, 1952. All members present.

Minutes of September regular meeting and September 26th Special meeting read and approved.

Letter read from Town Commissioners withdrawing their suggestion about repairing the building. As this letter did not cover the agreement mentioned at the September 26th Special meeting the Utilities Commissioners decided to attend the next meeting of the Town Commissioners, November 11th.

Letter from C. M. Brewster stating he had ordered the doors for garage.

Mr. Fairbank stated he had been trying to find some one to read meters. He had tried Mr. Chester Ritchey but Mr. Ritchey was not physically able to do the work. He had contact Bill Hunt but he did not come back for the job. It was mentioned that men able to work were making as much as \$25⁰⁰ a day oystering and they did not want a steady job. Sam Leonard had inquired about the job and Mr. Fairbank had offered him \$110⁰⁰ per month. He pointed out that reading rural meters covered a distance of 260 miles and town reading five to ten miles.

Mr. Fairbank also pointed out that he was the only ^{employer} man living in town and Ray Kilmon is the only other man that can be reached by telephone.

Motion made to raise Charles Johnson's

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salary to \$47.50 provided he would move back to St. Michaels. Motion carried.

Mr. Fairbank reported George Squires is not working regularly. He comes in late or does not show up at all. Mr. Lee offered to speak to George and warn him if he continues he will report him to Judge Carter.

The following bills authorized paid

Freight	2 27
W.C. Mills Agent	220 00
With holding tax	139 80
Social Security	132 13
Clifton Hope & Son	4 30
Lee Electric	24 98
J. I. Wells Co.	249 90
Artcraft	71 75
Claude Ireland	18 75
Rude's Service Station	39 00
ESPSC	6032 76
Sales tax	165 89
George B. Taylor & Son	4 79
Rowtensen Print. Co.	3 75
Gray bar	29 75
Rumsey	78 50
Com. of St. M.	100 00
Malcolm Caplan	112 58
C + P. Tel. Co.	
Addresso-Multi.	<u>19 16</u>
Total	
Meter Deposit Refunds	
Raymond Porter	5 00
Alfred Henckel	5 00
Carroll Seymour	5 00
Floyd Lomax	5 00

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Prestley Carter	8 00	
James Mullikin	5 00	
Marion Bailey	5 00	38 00
Grand Total		

Motion made and carried to buy an electric adding machine for the exclusive use of the Utilities.

The Village League had asked if it were possible for the Utilities to supply current to Archie Wharton free of charge. It was questioned if it would be allowed by the Public Service Commission. Each of the three Commissioners agreed to pay one month's bill. November 1st - Reese, December 1st - Jones, January 1st - Lee.

Mr. Lee reported the Photo Cell Controll which he has been building is practically finished.

The August 15th bill of George Stanford was discussed. Stanford had been billed for 616 K.W.H. Up to that time he had been billed for 40 to 60 K.W.H and since then over 100 K.W.H. It was decided to bill Stanford for 116 K.W.H and charge off the balance.

The Commissioners thought it advisable to wait to hear from the Public Service Commission before deciding what to do about the bills of John Love and Henry Trippe.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to order the transformers for the pumping stations.

Mr. Lee asked that all Transformers be inspected ^{for overload} once a week.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Noya, sec.

November - 1952

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, November 26th. All members present.

Minutes of October meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported that George Squires had missed one week at work since the last regular meeting.

There has been no decision received from Public Service Commission in regard to bills of John T. Love and Henry Trippe. The Commissioners decided to wait another month before clearing up the cases.

Letter read from Town Commissioners stating action taken in form of a motion that the present Commissioners wish to pass on to the Commissioners of the year 1956 that it is their desire that in the year 1956 permission be granted to the Utilities Commission to remodel the building to meet their requirements. The need for such structural changes are very clearly apparent but they did not wish the Utilities to expend their funds for this purpose at this time due to ^{the} Sewage Disposal System requirements.

Motion made and carried to turn over to the Town Commissioners \$5000.00 for the use of Sewage System upon receipt of letter requesting same.

The December Utilities meeting to be held December 18th at 8:00 o'clock as the regular meeting night would fall on Christmas Eve.

Mrs. James Dixon has complained about her Oct. 15th bill being higher than Sept. 15th bill. The Commissioners decided that as her

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meter is registering correctly and that the meter read higher when checked than when read for the bill that the bill would be considered correct and a letter should be written to her to that effect, also suggesting she have her refrigerator checked by her service man.

Letter from Talbot County Tuberculosis Association with 300 Christmas seals. Motion made and carried to buy the 300 seals

The following bills authorized paid	
C + P. Tel. Co	14 06
Addresso-Multi	2 28
J. J. Wells Co	872 20
Hallow E'en Parade	12 00
Geo. B Taylor + Son	7 62
Artcraft-	370 62
Jas. T. Morris	54 77
J. B. Reese + Son	3 00
Lee Elec. Ser.	269 12
Newtenson Print. Co.	25 00
Clifton Hope + Son	11 75
Malcolm Caplan	5 18
Notary	2 5
postal cards	50
Benson + Nales	57 64
Gray bar	96 33
Elliott Equip Co.	18 00
Ralph Good	32 10
Rude's Ser Station	80 52
ESPSC	6578 88
Wimsey	724 21
Comp. of Treas	151 09
Nirs holding tax	164 10
Boroughs Add. Mack Co.	306 00
Claude Ireland	18 75
Nestinghouse	908 9895 55

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Water Deposits refunded to		
Lister Baynard	5 00	
Clayton W. Ettenger	5 00	
Carrol P. Harrison	5 00	
Marion Sampson	5 00	
Wm. G. Hazen	5 00	25 00

Letter read from Harold Fulton thanking the Commission for donation toward the Halloween parade

The Town Commissioners have asked that the Utilities men put up wiring for the Christmas decorations. A letter read from the Village League to the Town Commissioners with suggestion as to decorating the town for Christmas. Their idea is to have Christmas trees at street corners with lights. As the light strings that have been used would not be safe to use on trees Mr Fairbank is to contact the Town Commissioners regarding same. The Utilities men will be permitted to help with decorations providing more important work does not have to be done at that time.

Mr. Lee stated that Mrs Hendric Booraem is selling her property in Church Neck and is moving elsewhere in the Neck. She wishes the Utilities to take over her electric line. Mr. Fairbank is to contact Mrs Booraem and if necessary ask Mr. Gillis, attorney, to look into it.

Mr. Byron of Church Neck wants current and was to contact other parties in the same vicinity. Mr. Fairbank is to see Mr. Byron the 28th concerning line

Calvin M. Joyce, sec

December - 1952

St. Michaels Utilities Commission met for their regular monthly meeting Thursday night, December 18th, all members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

It has been advised by Public Service Com representative to wait until spring to make a decision concerning the account of John T. Love. At that time he will be using a maximum amount of current and can be compared with same time for 1952

Motion made and carried to bill Henry Trippe for \$7.00 for his August 15th bill

A recent bill sent W H Coleman for materials and labor in moving transformer was discussed. This transformer which is the property of Mr. Coleman had been used by the Utilities for five years supplying current to several other customers. The former president, Mr. Norman M Shannahan had told Mr. Coleman there would be no charge to him to move the transformer closer to his residence. As Mr. Coleman had made no charge for the use of the transformer a motion was made to transfer the Coleman account to Maintenance of Transmission Lines. The Secretary to write Mr Coleman the bill had been cancelled and to inform him that property owners do not pay meter deposits.

Mr. Fairbank reported Mrs Booraem thinks the Utilities should pay her for her line, and that she is not going to sell or do anything else until after the first of the year.

Motion made and carried to write Mrs Booraem to the effect that the Utilities Commissioners were not willing to buy the line. If she wants to

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turn it over to the Utilities they will accept it. And suggest she get in touch with the Telephone Company as they own all the poles in that locality.

Mr. Fairbank said that according to Mr. Byron there are five or six parties that want current in Church Neck. He is waiting for Mr. Byron to contact these people. Mr. Fairbank has given them an estimate of approximately \$375.00

Letter read from the Town Commissioners asking for \$5000.00 before December 1st rather than waiting until after the last of the year. This had been granted pending receipt of letter.

Letter from Mrs. William H. Mothershead asking for a refund of \$500 meter deposit which she claims to have made about twenty years ago. As Mrs. Mothershead had no receipt and there is no record in the office of this deposit the secretary was instructed to write Mrs. Mothershead that we could not pay this amount to her.

Letter from L. Clark Ewing, attorney, in regard to George Leidner bankruptcy case. Mr. Leidner owes the Utilities \$63.25 for current used while operating his business. Mr. James A. Quick who started to buy the business owes \$39.96.

Motion made to turn this over to Lee Gillis the Utilities attorney.

As Federal and State employees have been granted a holiday for December 26th it was question as to whether this would include municipal employees. The Commissioners

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were not in favor of the Utilities taking holiday that day.

Motion made and carried that the St. Michaels Utilities Commission does not recognize extra state holidays proclaimed by the governor applicable to banks and other state institutions.

The following Bills authorized being paid

Rudes Service Station	52 48	
With holding tax	135 50	
Clifton Hope & Son	15 17	
Lee Electric Service	21 34	
Rumsey	17 61	
Zac's Service Station	3 99	
Wightman's	19 45	
Sales tax	167 25	
Westinghouse	781 76	
J. J. Wells	465 50	
Gray bar	11 54	
Registered Mail (Malcolm Caplan)	14 80	
Las B. Biddle Co.	269 87	
Artcraft	6 32	
R.O. Service Station	4 01	
Malcolm Caplan (env.)	17 48	
E-SPSC.	6598 12	
Geo. D. Taylor	<u>7 05</u>	
Total		8609 24
Refunds to		
Charles Oulikin	5 00	
Columbus Brown	5 00	
Calvin Brittingham	5 00	
Howard Edinger	5 00	
E. C. Walls	5 00	
John C. Dorman	9 00	
Nathan Harrison	5 00	
Norman McDaniel	<u>5 00</u>	
		44 00
		<u>8653 24</u>

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The secretary was authorized to pay the ES PSC bill for December out of 1952 funds

Motion made to issue Christmas Checks to employees as follows: to Milton H. Fairbank, Franklin R. Kilman, and Clifton L. Hope fifty dollars each. To Carrie M. Fink, Ellis C. Lednum and Charles W. Johnson twenty-five dollars each.

Mr. Jones stated that this month, December completed six years he has served as a Utilities Commissioner. He expressed his pleasure in his association with the Commissioners and employees and wished all good luck for the future. Mr. Jones has asked the Town Commissioners to appoint some one else in his place for the next term.

Mr. Fairbank told the Commission that registering the two months' bills has been a big help to him. He feels that the customers are more apt to pay their bills and it does not take up so much time to collect. The secretary reported that the same customers get the registered bills over and over.

The question of interest on meter deposits was brot up. It was decided to start paying interest Jan. 1st to town customers and Jan 15th to Rural customers, rate of 6%, to be paid annually and the first payment to be for no more than one year. Amount of interest to be deducted from January bills.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hope, sec.

January - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, January 28th

Those present were Messrs Lee, Reese, Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Lee S. Gillis, Attorney by request of the Commissioners was present to discuss his services and fee. He left it to the decision of the Commission as to how they wished to pay. A retainer fee of \$100⁰⁰ a year would cover any small job not requiring a lot of time or extra research. Bills would be presented for other services. Or without a retainer fee bills would be presented for all services. The Commissioners decided to wait until the new Commissioner was appointed.

The Secretary reported that all but three old meter deposits by former customers had been refunded. The names are George Smith, Dr G. T. Smith and T. W. Warfield. An effort to be made to locate these persons or their heirs.

The following bills authorized paid	
Malcolm Caplan	6860
Lucas Bros	584
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	959
Burrows Pdd Mach. Co	221
C & P. Tel Co. 2 mo	3207
Addresso - Multi. Corp.	626
Benson & Wales	7339
Clifton Hope & Son	124
Lee Electric Service	2574
Rowlenson Print. Co.	350
Westinghouse	36527

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St. M. Bank checks	2 00	
Social Security	121 05	
With holding tax	118 80	
Wm S. Dayer	3 58	
Rudes Ser. Sta.	35 45	
Freight	3 08	
Wightman's	6 95	
St. M. Fender + Welding Shop	1 50	
Total		886 12

The following refunds of Meter Deposits

Bartlett Bridges	5 00	
Milton Campbell	10 00	
Union Meth. Church	2 50	
Samuel Ireland	5 00	
Robert Miller	5 00	
John Bond (Josephine)	5 00	
Margaret Dickson	5 00	
Y. F. Hardcastle (estate)	5 00	
Eric Hatch	5 00	
Wm. P. Kemp	5 00	
Harry Kinnaman	5 00	
V. Melville	5 00	
Wm H. Norris	5 00	
John Trader	5 00	
Glenn Wheeler	5 00	
H. J. Lane (estate)	5 00	
Howard Roberts	5 00	
John P. Stelle	5 00	
A. G. Neibauer	5 00	
Bill Newnam	5 00	
H. C. Tunis	5 00	
Henry L. Pope	6 00	
Virgil W. Maxwell	5 00	
Total	118 50	

Mr. Fairbank reported that the Telephone

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Company was willing to take over from Mrs. Booraem the poles and right of way if the Utilities would be responsible for the wires.

Mrs. Booraem, feeling she should in some way be paid for her line suggested the Utilities give the labor involved in erecting her new line.

Motion made and carried to accept the responsibility of the lines and in return we will aid Mrs. Booraem in putting in the new line, she bearing all costs of materials.

Attention was called to the fact that E.O. Prah of Newcomb and Thomas Jump, St. Michaels have only temporary services making both dangerous situations.

Motion made and carried to write Mr. Prah and Mr. Jump that service must be completed and pass inspection within ten days of date of letter or current will be discontinued.

Copy of letters to be sent the electrician, E.R. Kirby.

Motion made and carried to raise salary of Ellis C. Lednum from \$45⁰⁰ to \$50⁰⁰ provided he would move to St. Michaels.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Oliver L. Hooper, sec

February - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday, February 25th

All members present.

Mr. George S Lee was elected president for this year. Clifton L. Hope to continue as Secretary-Treasurer.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter read from Town Commissioners announcing the appointment of Mr. Wilson L. Harrison as Utilities Commissioners for the three year term commencing Jan 1, 1953.

Motion made and carried to accept proposition of Mr. Lee S. Gillis, ^{Attorney} to pay him retainers fee of \$100.00 a year. Secretary instructed to write Mr. Gillis and send him our check for full payment.

The following bills authorized paid	
Rowenson Print Co.	15 00
Clifton Hope & Son	2 18
Addresso - Multi	7 08
Com of St. Mich rent	100 00
Zac's Service Station	3 71
Lee Electric Service	11 59
Nightmans	6 95
Cambridge Supply Office	7 35
Graybar	56 37
St. M. Bk With holding tax.	153 64
Rumsey	129 00
Comp of Treas.	166 26
Stewarts Express	2 30
ESPSC	6753 93
Westinghouse	15 84

Waston Electrical Instrument Corp	88 52	
Registered Mail	12 95	
Postage, Notary - Acct book	1 41	
Globe Office Supply Co.	51 00	
C & P. Tel. Co.	14 86	
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	9 73	
Alfred L. Smith	11 50	
Freight - P. R. R.	2 37	
Total		7623 54
Refunds to		
E Frances Bedsworth	9 00	
John. D. Williams	5 00	
Elmer Burrows	2 50	
John Dollman	5 00	
Total		21 50
Grand Total		<u>7645 04</u>

Mr. Fairbank reported the work at EO Prahls had been completed and inspectors seal attached tho no cut-in card had been received. According to Mr. Lee the inspector was holding up the cut-in card until he was sure Mr. Fairbank had approved of the position of the hook up. The work at Thomas Jump's has been held up on account of the fact that water had not been taken to his house and therefore could not make permanent ground. It was suggested a pipe could be driven for ground. Mr. Fairbank said he would contact Mr. Kirby and will see that both jobs are done right.

The secretary asked if the last two months bills of Helen Parker could be charged off and for her not to be billed again until she was home from the hospital and using current. It was decided the secretary should

write to the sister, Lavinia Jewett and ask her if she wished to pay the bills or should we disconnect the service.

Mr. Lee stated he had been approached by Mr. Donald Jones of the C & P Telephone Co. saying the company would like to take over the Utilities Communication Equipment. They would be responsible for the maintenance of same and the Utilities would pay a rental fee. Mr. Lee said he would look into the matter further so as to compare the cost of the present situation and the cost should the change be made.

Mr. Fairbank asked the Commissioners to be on the look out for a meter reader, man or woman.

Motion made to notify St. Michaels Bank that Wilson L. Harrison had been authorized to sign Utilities Checks.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cliff L. Hoja, Sec.

March - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, March 25th, 1953. All members present also Mr. Melvin Lebowitz, Town Commissioner.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported that to date the maintenance on Communication equipment had amounted to \$104.05. Mr. Lee stated that he understood the rental fee to the Telephone Co would amount to \$60⁰⁰ per month for the fixed station and \$24⁰⁰ per month for each mobile unit.

The secretary call it to the attention of the Commission that fire insurance premium on \$2500⁰⁰ insurance had increased from \$66.88 for three years to \$100⁶³. Mr. Wilson Harrison and the secretary were asked to look into the matter and find out the rates in a Mutual Company. It was also suggested the amount of insurance be raised as the \$2500⁰⁰ and the \$7500⁰⁰ with another company does not cover 80% of the value.

Letter read from Town Commissioners asking for monthly financial report. Motion carried to supply the Commissioners with the monthly statement each month immediately after the Utilities meeting.

Card from the Ambulance Assotiation asking for \$1.00 dues. Motion carried to donate \$5⁰⁰ to the Association

The following bills authorized paid.

E.S.P.S.C.	582058
Rudes Ser. Sta	5674
Postage	100
St. Michaels Commissioners	10000
Clifton Hope & Son	1996

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Lee Electric Service	14 25	
With holding tax	127 16	
Freight	2 37	
Rowlenson Print Co.	3 25	
Rumsey	2 27	
Graybar	257 37	
Westinghouse	433 71	
Aircraft	949 46	
Com of St. D. (table)	2 00	
Registered mail	29 97	
Sales tax	164 85	
Jas. T. Morris	100 63	
John C. Harper	2 05	
Claude Ireland	235 39	
Box Rent	75	
C + P. Tel Co.	13 71	
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	10 01	
Total		8347 48
The following Refunds made		
Milford Warner	7 00	
James Little	8 00	
Gordon Fisher Jr.	5 00	
Mrs Jos Carey	5 00	25 00
Grand Total		8372 48

Mr. Fairbank reported Thomas E Blades had applied for the meter reading job. He was told he had the authority to hire any one he saw fit to hire.

Mr. Lebowitz asked the Commission to state an amount they that might be turned over to the town for the next three years. Mr. Lee explained that it would be impossible to give a definite amount as it could not be foreseen what might happen that would cause an out lay of cash. It might be possible to

Turn over \$3000⁰⁰ each year.

Mr. Fairbank asked if the Commission could supply the workmen with raincoats, hats and boots, as it is necessary to work in the rain at times.

Motion made and carried that Mr. Fairbank be authorized to buy four sets for the men, that they should be kept in the Utilities Shop when not in use and should be the property of the Utilities should the men quit their job.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoje, sec.

April - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, April 22, 1953. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported that a representative of the Insurance Company had been here. He had checked the building etc. for determining rates on the present insurance coverage and for increase coverage. His only suggestion at the time was lack of fire extinguishers and No Smoking signs. It was decided to let the matter lay until we hear from the Company.

Letter read from George M. McAins protesting the form letter sent him with two months' bill.

Notice from the United States District Court, of meeting of Creditors of George W. Leidner.

The following bills authorized paid.

Commissioners of St. M. (rent)	100 00
Malcolm Caplan cards	60 00
With holding Tax	124 60
Westinghouse	108 61
Gray bar	157 64
Artcraft	31 00
Clifton Hope + Son	24 58
Lee Electric	37 81
C. M. Brewster	300 00
ESPSC.	6117 28
acct book + stamps	1 00
Registered mail	21 66

Social Security	117 68	
Sales Tax	162 63	
Rudes Ser. Sta	45 39	
Rumsey	211 76	
C + P. Tel Co.	18 37	
Grainger	29 25	
Freight	4 80	
Geo B Taylor & Son	3 53	
Rowlenson Print Co.	18 50	
<u>Total</u>		7696 09
Refunds for Meter Deposits		
Mary Place	8 00	
Helen M Martin	5 00	
Dorsey Hack	6 00	
Wm A Sewell Sr.	5 00	24 00
		<u>7720 09</u>

Letter read from ^{Mrs} Catherine Norton thanking Mr. Lee for his kindness in having current restored for her.

Mr. Lee suggested that in case of desperate circumstances such as Mrs Norton's we be more lenient and give them a chance to pay.

Motion made and carried to pay to the Town Commissioners the surplus cash over \$5000⁰⁰ on hand December 31, 1952, the amount being \$3095.57.

The Secretary stated she wished to take off part of the following week as a vacation.

Mr. Fairbank suggested the Utilities take over the line in Church Neck just built for Nickerson, Cobb, Scott and Yugas. There are four others that wish to connect on the line farther on. The poles are

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owned by the Telephone Company and that Company refused to maintain lines where individuals own the electric line. Mr. Fairbank stated by moving the transformer one would serve all eight customers. The four original customers could be reimbursed for the amount they paid the Utilities and any future customers could hook on to the line at any time.

Motion made and carried to take over the line and reimburse the present owners. Mr. Fairbank is to contact the customers and Mr. Gillis to be asked to look into a release.

There being no further business The meeting adjourned

Left L. Hoge, sec.

		.00*
July 15-1952	1	4.43
		.37
July 31		7.03
	2	<u>1.83*</u>
Aug	1	1.10
		9.08
	2	<u>0.18*</u>
	1	4.06
		8.51
Sept		.20
	2	<u>2.77*</u>
	1	2.58
Oct		5.18
	1	<u>7.76*</u>
	1	5.54
		8.51
Nov		.40
	2	<u>4.45*</u>
	1	4.80
Dec		7.60
	2	<u>2.40*</u>
1953		
Jan	1	4.43
		8.71
	2	<u>3.14*</u>
	1	2.95
Feb	1	0.73
	2	<u>3.68*</u>
	1	9.24
		8.88
Mar		.20
	2	<u>8.32*</u>
	1	2.58
Apr		9.62
	2	<u>2.20*</u>
	1	4.80
May	1	0.36
	2	<u>5.16*</u>

\$257.89

June - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday, June 24. Those present were Messrs Lee, Reese, Fairbank and the Secretary.

Minutes of the April meeting read and approved.

Letter read from Mrs. Norman Lowery protesting registered letters.

The secretary pointed out that several registered letters are being returned being refused by the addressees.

The cost of registering bills for the past eleven months was given. This method was adopted in July, 1952. Cost for July was \$21.83. Cost of May, 1953 - \$25.16. This expense has run from \$17.76 to \$28.32 with a total of \$251.89 for the eleven months.

It was the decision of the Commissioners that ^{returned} registered letters containing bills be kept and if those bills are not paid on time current should be disconnected the same as those receiving bills. Mr. Fairbank was instructed that when current is discontinued for non payment of bills it is not to be connected until the next day if paid.

The secretary stated Mrs Fink would like to have a pasture chair. Instructions were to get prices and submit to Commissioners.

Bills for May and June authorized paid.

May -

Reg. mail	23 42
Rnd's Ser. Sta.	45 88
Ralph Good	45 90

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Duncan Elec. Mfg Co.	33 24	
Com of St. M.	100 00	
Withholding tax	124 60	
Real worth	100 56	
Lee Elec. Ser.	10 49	
Clifton Hope + Son	3 28	
Nickerson, Scott, Yugas, Cobb,	412 40	
ES PSC.	595 32	
Central Elec.	188 18	
Gray bar	230 01	
Art craft	165 42	
Banson + Wales	65 92	
C + P, Tel. Co.	17 79	
Addresso - Multi.	1 61	
Total		7525 02
Refunds		
Dorsey Hack	6 00	
Helen M. Martin	5 00	
Clyde Boggs	5 00	
Geneva's Beauty Hook	5 00	
Wm. Pahl	5 00	
Robert Tack	5 00	
Thos. E. Blades	25 00	
Dannis Jar button	5 00	
Garret Webb	5 00	
Frank Riley	5 00	
Boston Peoples	5 00	
Eliza Oxenham	5 00	
		81 00
		7606 02
Bills for June		
Com of St. M.	100 00	
withholding tax	154 12	
Clifton Hope + Son	3 52	
Lee Elec. Ser.	20 54	
Rowlenson Print. Co.	3 50	

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Artcraft -	229 32	
Remington Rand	20 60	
Rudes Ser. Sta.	18 43	
Sales tax -	152 54	
Westinghouse	70 26	
Graybar	96 95	
Central Elec.	29 44	
Addresso-Multi	5 06	
Reg mail	25 16	
ESPSC-	6155 08	
Nightman's	12 10	
Claude Ireland	36 25	
J. I. Wells Co.	465 50	
C & P. Tel Co.	16 53	
M. Caplan Box rent	1 10	
O W Corkran + Co.	150 00	
Freight	3 81	
Notary	25	
Total		7769 96
Refunds -		
Rev. L. J. Lawrence	5 00	
Rosalee Holland	5 00	
Franklin Farlow	12 00	
G. E. Parker	9 00	
Mabel Wharton	7 00	
St. O. Red Sox Ball Club.	5 00	43 00
		7812 96

Motion made and carried to furnish current for Fireman's carnival free of charge.

Letter from Miles River Yacht Club announcing regattas for this year and asking for ad for programs. Motion made and carried to buy usual amount of space as here to fore.

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Mr. Fairbank expressed his wish to take off the week of July 12th.

Mr. Lee suggested to Mr. Fairbank that he give Ray Kilmon more instructions so he can take over with more surity when left in charge.

A schedule of Insurance had been received from the Maryland Fire Underwriters Rating Bureau. The secretary was instructed to write the two agents with whom we have insurance and ask what the difference in rates would be should we increase the amount of insurance to cover 80% of inventory on a three year basis.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton R. Hoge, sec.

July - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, July 22, 1953.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from W. C. Mills, Insurance Agent giving rate for 80% coverage as \$1.14 a hundred for one year. Contents of building not insurable for 3 yrs under 80% plan. He advised against this plan

Rate from Jas. T. Morris given by phone - 80% coverage - 3.175 for 3 years.

The Commissioners decided to leave the insurance as it is for the present.

A note from Mary L Bigelow stating she is now married to L. Herbert Griffith, Jr. asking bills be sent in that name. The secretary pointed out that L. Herbert Griffith, Jr left our service owing a bill of \$13.86. The Commissioners instructed the secretary to write Mr Griffith in reference to his account stating that the amount of \$13.86 would appear on his August 15 bill unless that amount is paid before that time.

There has been complaint from Richard Baines and John Smith of Claiborne that voltage is too low. and causes much inconvenience.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to find out the cost of running a high power line to that section and the secretary to write four property owners giving them the estimate and asking if they would be willing to pay to have the line run. The transformer would not be charged to them.

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The secretary was instructed to have Lee Gillis write Calvin Brittingham concerning his unpaid bill

The matter of Borcherdings Drugstore bill was discussed. The secretary had written Mr. Collingwood asking if he would be responsible for the bills. An answer had been received by telephone thru Hughes LeCompte saying Mr. Collingwood did not want to pay but would if he had to. He also asked that the current not be disconnected as it would affect the apartments.

The Commissioners feel that in the future Mr. Collingwood should be responsible for the bills of the store as other parts of the building are supplied thru the same meter or a deposit of \$100⁰⁰ should be collected from the tenant. Mr. Lee offered to contact Mr. Collingwood.

The Fire Department having to make arrangements for sounding the siren after the dial telephone system goes into effect has asked the Utilities if they will help with this. The Commissioners agreed to give them the labor for wiring asking the Fire Dept. to furnish the material. Wire would cost \$100⁰⁰ to \$150⁰⁰.

As the work men are called out at all times and have not been receiving any compensation other than time off it was moved and carried to pay time and a half for over time beginning July 1st. Time to be handed in the first of the week for the previous week.

The secretary was instructed to write the Town Commissioners to the effect that

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The Utilities Commissioners were laboring under a handicap in not having a third Commissioner

As a customer had complained to some extent in regard to being charged gross rates on his bills because he failed to pay his bills on the 15th of the month it was discussed whether to extend the grace period another 24 hours. It was decided that payments should be in the office by the time the morning mail was opened to take advantage of the net rates.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoja, sec.

The following bills authorized paid

C & P. Tel. Co.	15 92
Registered Mail	23 31
With holding tax	124 60
Malcolm Caplan p. cards	60 00
Commissioners of St. M. rent	100 00
Dawson Taylor rent	15 00
Lucas Bros.	6 96
Westinghouse	1056 11
Miles River Yacht Club.	8 00
Aircraft	155 28
Rumsey	238 40
Gray bar	262 80
Social Security	128 95
C. Hope & Son	9 78
Lee Electric Service	27 30
Rudes Ser. Sta.	20 94
ESPSC	5903 43
Sales tax	169 87
Freight	3 58
Cambridge Office Supply Co.	50 00

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Wm S. Mayer	455	
Jas. T. Morris	4500	
Edw. Pridham refund	616	
Burrongs Add. Mach. Co.	409	
Total		8440 00

The following Peter Deposit Refunds

Clara Spencer	500	
Richard Maxwell	800	
George Roe	500	
J. Ramsey Speer	500	
Francis Maroney	500	
Boscherdings Drug Store	1000	
Lester Roe	500	
Total		4300

Grand Total

8483 00

Clifton L. Hoyle, rec.

August - 26th - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday, August 26th. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from the Town Commissioners informing the Utilities Commission of the appointment of the Rev. Paul F. Williams to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Wilson Harrison.

Mr. Lee welcomed Rev Williams as a member of the board.

Letter from Mrs L. Herbert Griffith in answer to the one written to her husband concerning old bill. Mrs. Griffith promised to pay the old bill. Secretary reported bill as having been paid.

Mr. Lee suggested Mr. Fairbank give Mr. Wilson of Royal Oak the estimate he had asked for, as soon as possible.

The Maple Hall correspondence ^{read} to Mr. John R. Smith, from and to Z. H. Stafford and Caleb R. Kelly, Jr, attorneys. Mr. Fairbank was advised to put a recording volt meter on the line. Motion made and carried to write Mr. Smith that we feel legal action would have no bearing on the matter, and that we wish to do all we can for them. Miss Cockey to be contact concerning right of way.

It was reported by the Secretary that Calvin Dittingham had paid half of his bill and promised to pay the balance next month.

The Fire Company telephone line is wired up and ready to run loop in when dial system goes into effect.

Letters from Town Commissioners in regard to special joint meeting of Town ^{Com.} and Utilities

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The letter designated ^① the 16th of the month to be considered an open date for payment of bills. Rules to remain the same but the Secretary to use her discretion as to allowing those coming in on 16th to pay minimum charges. Those chronically using this date should not be allowed to continue to do so.

② The telephone to be used in reminding customers of the 15th and prior to date of registered letters. List to be given to the Town clerk to make calls.

The secretary reported the town clerk had stated the Town Commissioners had rescinded the order of reminding the customers of the 15th and a note was read from James D. Wales changing the second part as prior to date of registered letters to prior to cut off.

The secretary stated that only a few calls could be made as they did not all have telephones. Also the Town Commissioners have instructed the Town Clerk not to make a call to any person a second time.

The Secretary asked if Chesapeake Haven should be cut off for non payment of two months' bill. Registered letter sent but no return receipt. No telephone listed. Instructions were given to have Post master send a tracer for registered letter.

Letter read from T. Hughlett Henry Jr., attorney stating Mr. Elijah H. Nostrand at Traveler's Rest would like St. Michaels Utilities to take over ownership and maintenance of line and

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asking on what basis the Commission would be interested. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to look over line and report.

Letter from Eugene Rude stating kerosine would cost .01 more this year buying it in small quantities (less than 50 gal.) He suggested the purchase of a 275 gallon tank. The Commissioners decided to keep the 50 gallon tank.

The following bills authorized paid

Artcraft	204 25	
Registered mail	20 72	
Comm. of St. D. Rent	100 00	
Clifton Hope + Son	3 95	
Rudes Filling Sta.	22 48	
Lee Elect. Ser.	23 47	
Sales tax	175 56	
Rowlenson Print. Co.	15 00	
Withholding tax	164 40	
ESPSC	6975 56	
Jas. T. Morris	192 30	
Rumsey	46 80	
Freight	10	
p. cards	1 00	
C + P. Tel	12 87	
Gray bar	184 70	
Lucas Bros	58	
Wightmans	9 95	8153 69
Refunds		
Mrs William Russell	5 00	
Pearl Jackson	5 00	
Florence Banley	6 00	
Cora Sigoman	5 00	
Thos. E. Blades	6 00	
Adella Henry	6 00	
Irvin Cobb	8 00	
Frank Nickerson	5 00	

Milikin Thomas

5 00 51 00

Total

820469

Mr. Fairbank stated there was no tree trimming last year and it was badly needed in Miles River Neck, Royal Oak, Newcomb and Kirkham Road. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to contact Bowman for the job.

The matter of listing telephone under the dial system was discussed. It was decided to list the phones of Milton Fairbank and Franklin R. Kilman under Utilities. Mr. Lee to see about having this done.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec.

September - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held, Wednesday night, September 23. Those present were Mr. Lee, Rev. Williams, Mr. Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter read from Mr. John R. Smith thanking the Commission for taking action to improve their electric service.

Mr. Fairbank brot in the record produced from the recording volt meter.

Mr. Lee reported Miss Cockey having signed the right of way. He was to see Miss Cockey the following day.

Mr. Fairbank had talked to Mr. Nostrand about the line he wished the Utilities to take over. Mr. Nostrand claims he has invested between \$4000⁰⁰ and \$5000⁰⁰ in the line and thinks the Utilities should reimburse him to some extent. The line is about a mile and a half long and Mr. Fairbank said to build a line it would cost the Utilities about \$2000⁰⁰ per mile.

Mr. Nostrand's plan is to have about 50 houses that would need current in the next eight or ten years.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Nostrand's lawyer asking what price Mr. Nostrand would want for the line.

Letter read from Choptank Electric Cooperative Inc. asking if the substation in St. Michaels is large enough to allow them to connect more load on their Royal Oak substation. Mr. Fairbank stated that if they are

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connecting 100 KW more the Utilities will have to spend two or three thousand dollars for heavier lines etc.

The secretary was instructed to write the Choptank Cooperative stating the voltage and asking them what type of load they proposed to add, residential, factory or what.

Letter to Town Commissioners from oystermen asking that an oyster fall be erected at the foot of Chew Avenue.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to take care of it.

Mr. Fairbank suggested that as Ray Kilmon's telephone is to be listed under the Utilities that the Commission pay his monthly bills. The Commissioners agreed to pay the regular charge.

The following bills were authorized paid

Line Material Co.	254
Com. of St. Mich	100 00
Orem C. Harrison	4 47
Rumsey	292 69
St. M. Bank	3 75
Freight	12 80
M. Caplan	12 46
Lee Elec.	10 19
C. Hope & Son	46 15
Rinde's Sen. Sta	33 86
Mayer's Country Store	4 20
ESPSC	6878 57
Gray bar	122 59
Artcraft	297 83
Sales tax	173 87
Withholding tax	132 78
Lee S. Gillis	17 00

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Rowlenson Print Co	7 00	
Westinghouse	1,555 73	
Registered mail	25 02	
M. Caplan cards	60 00	
ESPSC - cross arms	125 09	
C.C. Oliphant & Son Inc	90 00	
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	7 10	
M. Caplan Box rent	1 10	10,016 71
Meter Deposit Refunds		
Walter Eglseder	5 00	
Grace Shavelin	5 00	
Russell C. Fair bank	6 00	
Gladys Atkins	5 00	
Tracy Schoonmaker	5 00	26 00
		10,042 71

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cliff L. Hoyle, sec.

October - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, October 28th. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from T. Hughlett Henry, Jr. advising he was willing to meet with a Utilities representative at any time to discuss the proposition of Mr. Nostrand selling his line to us.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to first find out if the Telephone Co. owns the poles of the Trippe line which is the line from the State road to the beginning of Mr. Nostrand's line. The Commission thought it not advisable to own Mr. Nostrand's line if the line between that and the main line is privately owned. Mr. Fairbank is then to contact Mr. Henry and make him an offer of not more than \$2500⁰⁰ with the provision that the Town Commissioners approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported that the Maple Hall line has been completed. Also the change Gen. Arms had asked for is completed.

Letter from Hallow E'en Parade Committee asking for donation. Motion carried to donate \$10⁰⁰.

The following bills authorized paid.

Com. of St. M. rent	100 00
Malcolm Caplan - env.	18 87
C + P. Tel Co. - 2 mo	39 52
Social Security	129 88
Rumsey	879 89
Gray bar	24 30
W. C. Mills Agent	220 00

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With holding tax	114 30	
Addresso-Multi	2 41	
Lee Electric Service	21 56	
Aircraft	307 70	
Rudes Ser. Sta.	7 09	
Clifton Hope & Son	5 62	
Ralph Good	40 80	
ES PSC	6689 72	
Sales tax	203 34	
Registered mail	23 68	
Rowlenson Print. Co.	48 75	
Burroughs Corp	3 00	
Lucas Bros	5 66	
Freight tax	41	
George B. Taylor & Son	5 39	
Interest on Meter Deposits refunded	2 18	
Total		8894 07
Meter Deposit Refunds		
Mattie Perry	5 00	
Mrs Wm. Marks	5 00	
Mary White	5 00	
Mary Hall	5 00	
Catherine Norton	10 00	
Raymond Joshua	5 00	
Ethel Gregory	8 00	
Eleanor Morgan	5 00	
Eugene H Koerner Jr.	5 00	
Lester Lambdin	8 00	
Norman Davis	5 00	
Chas. Sidleck	7 00	
Total		73 00

8967 07

The secretary reported Geneva's Beauty Nook has owed an electric bill for several months to the amount of \$12.49. This Beauty Parlor has

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been moved to her home and account for same is in the name of her husband, Alphens Thomas. Mr. Fairbank stated that Alphens Thomas' service was still temporary and he should be notified to have permanent service installed.

The secretary was instructed to write Alphens Thomas to the effect that permanent service must be installed and the bill of Geneva's Beauty Nook must be paid ^{both} within 30 days of date of letter or service will be disconnected.

Mr. Fairbank reported that Lee Gillis is contemplating installing a 60 Horse power motor in place of the present oil burner at the ice and locker plant. This means his demand would be 45 KW and three months of the year he would run 24 hours a day. He wished to know what the demand charge would be.

The following facts were pointed out:

At present our high demand rate which is \$50.00 for the first 120 K.W. covers only the time between one hour after sunrise to one hour before sunset.

Should Mr Gillis run his motor at night at a time when all other demand was at the peak, he would be adding 45 KW more to the peak which would cost the Utilities \$90.00 and at the present rate we would be receiving from him only \$50.00 making a loss of \$40.00.

Mr. Fairbank was instructed to tell Mr. Gillis that the Demand Charge would be \$2.00 per. K.W.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned
C. W. & Hope, Sec.

November - 1953

The regular monthly meeting of St. Mich. Utilities Commission was held Tuesday night, November 24th. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported Geneva's Beauty Hook bill had been paid.

Mr. Lee said that he was responsible for Alpheus Thomas not being ready for permanent hook up and as Thomas had made an effort that we should extend the time.

Motion made and carried to leave the matter in the hands of the president.

Mr. Fairbank reported having checked with the Telephone Company in regard to the Kirkham Road line. The Telephone Co. owns the line from the state road to the property of Mr. Driver. Mr. Nostrand's line extends about 1.1 mile from Drivers on down the road. Mr. Fairbank contacted Mr. Henry, and made an offer of \$2000⁰⁰ for the line provided the Town Commissioners would give their permission to buy it.

Mr. Nostrand accepted the offer.

Motion made and carried that this report be approved and a request to be made to the Town Commissioners for their permission.

Letter from the Town Commissioners asking for an advance of \$4,350⁰⁰ before November 30. This was approved.

Letter read from Bowman Tree Experts giving prices on trimming trees. It was decided to accept their hourly rate and secretary instructed to write the District State Forester for permit.

Mr. Fairbank reported on the John Love

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account which has been standing for more than a year. Mr. Goldstein who has been investigating the case has suggested to Mr. Love and Mr. Fairbank that the account be settled by deducting 1000 KW from the original bill.

Motion carried to accept Mr. Goldstein's proposition and Mr. Reese gave the secretary a letter to write to Mr. Love

Letter with Christmas seals from the Talbot County Tuberculosis Association. Motion made and carried to send \$5.00 to the Association

The following bills authorized paid

Lee Electric	51 01
Eltop & Son	11 99
Common of St. M. - rent	100 00
Rude Ser. Sta.	22 06
ESPSC.	7166 01
Registered mail	20 35
John C. Harper	2 88
Geo. B. Taylor & Son	5 08
C & P Tel Co.	19 36
Tristate Elec. Sup. Co.	24 43
With holding tax	144 10
Benson & Wales	60 03
Artcraft	41 28
Sales tax	163 93
Gray bar	17 80
Burroughs Corp.	69
Westinghouse	294 52
Town Commissioners	4352 00
Talbot Co. T. B. Ass'n	5 00
Total	12592 52

The following meter deposit refunds

Georg McCliment	7 00
Wm. A. Jackson	5 00

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James Mason	7 00	
Robert LeCompte Jr.	<u>10 00</u>	
		<u>29 00</u>
Grand Total		12531 52

The December meeting to be held on the regular night unless it is found later that the date should be changed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Hoge, sec

December 1953

The regular meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, December 23rd - all three Commissioners and secretary present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Secretary reported the Town Commissioners had approved the purchase of the Nostrand line. Instructions given secretary to make out check for payment of line to be dated December 1953.

Letter from John T Love Jr. protesting the adjustment bill sent him. It was decided the account had run long enough and as there was no satisfactory explanation to the matter it be dropped and the account be charged off. Letter to be sent Mr. Love stating same.

Letter from Norman D. Marshall in regard to December 1st electric bill. A short circuit had charged the metal building at the rear of his house and caused the bill to be extremely high. He asked if an adjustment could be made. It was decided to adjust the bill by charging him for the number of KWH used at cost.

Bill from Lee S Gillis, Atty for retainers fee for 1954 presented. It was decided to pay this bill after Jan. 1st as it was not advisable to pay 1954 expenses in 1953.

The secretary stated that Mr. Hickman of Burrongs Corporation wanted to demonstrate a billing machine at the January meeting.

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As the town is greatly in need of funds The Commissioners decided it would not be advisable to contemplate purchasing a billing machine at this time and to inform Mr. Hickman that when they were ready he would let him know.

A Certificate of Appreciation read from the Adjutant General in recognition of faithful and cooperative spirit in the release of employees for performance of military duty in the National Guards.

It was decided to give the employees the regular Christmas checks - same as last year \$50⁰⁰ to Fairbank, Kilmon and Hope, \$25⁰⁰ to Lednum, Johnson and Fink and to the new meter reader, Dan Garner \$10⁰⁰

Bills authorized paid

Com. of St. M.	100 00
Zack Ser Sta.	334
M Caplan p. cards	60 00
Kirkham Ser. Sta.	3 09
Addresso - Multi	2 00
Rumsey	529 43
Nesting house	45 76
St. M. Bk Withholding tax	155 40
Lee Elec.	34 81
Freight	7 33
Gray bar	58 45
C Hope + Son	8 54
F. H. Hall	23 87
J. B. Reese + Son	24 75
Rude's Ser Sta	46 85
Rowlenson Print Co.	22 00
ESPSC.	7135 59
Comp. of Treas.	187 79
Reg. mail	21 83
G. Davenport	37 50

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Burroughs Corp.	18 00	
Jas. T. Morris	64 60	
Nuttle Lumber Co.	3 70	
C + P Tel Co.	21 72	
Marshall's Express	2 82	
Bowman Tree Exp.	255 45	
Art craft	29 99	
Benson + Nales	<u>64 82</u>	
Total		8969 43
Refunds		
Joseph Cherbannier	25 00	
Wm Keith Evans	10 00	
Perry Daffin	5 00	
Kennard Bridges	5 00	
Leroy Nichols	5 00	
Robert Ransch	5 00	
Elmer Parkerson	5 00	
Donald Parkerson	5 00	
L.A. Miller	10 00	
Thos. Jump	<u>5 00</u>	80 00
		9049 43

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hays, sec.

January - Special 1954

Thursday, January 21st a special meeting was called. Those present were W.C. Pierce, Manager of the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. of Md, Mr. Appleby and Mr Roach also of ESPSC, The St. Michaels Town Commissioners, - Messrs Wates, Rude and Lebowitz, The Utilities Commissioners - Messrs Lee and Reese and the Rev. Williams, Mr. Milton Fairbank and the Secretary.

The meeting was for the purpose of discussing a possible reduction in rates charged by the ESPSC.

Mr. Pierce pointed out that the present contract signed in 1948 terminates in 1960. The plant in St. Michaels was to remain until a second line could be built to take its place.

The ESPSC lines are tied into a network with Philadelphia Light & Power and Conowingo. The St. Michaels Plant is used to feed into the total system.

The transmission lines have given very little trouble. Most trouble occurs in towns, caused by trees.

There is a two way feed into Easton - lines coming from two different directions.

They are planning a 138000 volt line into Wye Mills.

The proposed new schedule rate is as follows:

Demand Charge:-

1st 100 KW \$220⁰⁰

Next 200 KW @ \$1.85 per KW.

All over 300KW @ \$1.25 per KW.

Energy Charge:

1st 100 hrs' use not to exceed 150000 KWH pr mo. @ 1.5¢ per KWH.

Next 200 hrs' use " " " " " " @ 1.0¢ " "

All over sum of 1st 2 blocks @ 0.8¢ per KWH.

The Contract would be extended to 1965. It would have incorporated in it "if and when the ESPSC want

to dismantle the plant in St. Michaels, ^{for economic reasons} they would have the privilege of doing so."

This proposed new rate, based on 1953 consumption would save \$12,577.05 per year.

At present they do not contemplate taking the Plant from St. Michaels or building a 2nd line in. The Plant at present is important to the system, and ^{capacity} ~~it~~ may even be increased.

They have plants at Cape Charles, Pocomoke, Berlin, St. Michaels, Laurel, Del and one other place ^{Dover} on the shore. (Dover)

Mr. Pierce agreed to draw up a contract so it can be reviewed by all members of both Commissions

If accepted it would date from January 1st, 1954.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Oliver L. Hoja, sec.

January - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, January 25th - all members present

Minutes of December meeting and Special meeting of January 21st read and approved.

Letter from Town Commissioners read appointing A Gunby Reese Utilities Commissioner for a period of three years - term beginning January 1, 1954

Officers elected for 1954. - George S. Lee, president, Chfta L. Hope, Secretary-treasurer.

Letter read from Charles W. Morgan complaining of letter he received with January 15th electric bill

Secretary reported Mr. Goldstein of Public Service Commission had asked that a copy of Mr. John T. Love's letter along with the reply from the Utilities be forwarded to the Public Service Commission to be filed with them.

Letter from Baltimore Claims Department stating Mr. Norman Marshall had been paid \$104.⁰⁰ for damages done to his property.

Mr. Lee stated the Town Commissioners had requested that in addition to the statement of Income and Expenses given them each month that the secretary prepare a statement showing all capital outlay and cash balance for each month.

Motion made by the Rev. Williams and seconded by Mr. Reese to decline the request of the Town Commissioners. The matter was discussed in detail. It would take considerable time to give an accurate account. The motion carried. Mr. Lee will see Mr. Wakes, president of the Town Commissioners and explain to him the reason for declining.

Mr. Fairbank called attention to the fact that the St. Michaels Milling Co. is running their

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machinery at night. The Rules and Regulations state that Larger Power Customers are to use power only between one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset. Tho Their demand has not, so far, caused any loss to the Utilities it is high enough to cause the peak to rise at any time.

Mr. Fairbank was asked to write Mr. Quillen explaining the matter to him.

It was suggested that should his use of current at night cause star demand to rise that rates would have to be changed to cover his case.

All bills authorized paid.

Mr. Fairbank stated the workmen had asked for raise in salary. It was decided that at this time it was not advisable to give any raises.

There being no further business The meeting adjourned.

Cliff L. Hoge, sec.

Special

A special meeting was held Thursday evening February 11th at the Town office. Those present were Messrs Pierce, Appleby, and Roach of the Eastern Shore Public Service Company, Messrs. Wales Rude and Lebowitz of the Town Commissioners, Mr. Lee, Rev Williams, Mr. Fairbank and the Secretary of St. Michaels Utilities Commission.

The meeting was called by Mr. Pierce in regard to taxes charged the ESPSC by the Town of St. Michaels. According to the present contract no taxes were to be charged the ESPSC. The Town had been billing them for personal property taxes but not real estate. The figures they showed did not correspond to the figures in the Town tax books. Mr. Pierce was to check with their tax department.

Mr. Pierce presented a proposed contract for the Town and Utilities Commissioners to look over and decide upon. He pointed out a change in regard to Town taxes. The 1953 assessment of \$95,610.00 is the figure used. It is to be agreed that if ^{above} that amount on the existing property the assessed value is increased, then any increase in the amount of taxes paid to the Town of St. Michaels shall be added to the rate for energy sold to the Utilities. Tho' not in the contract, Mr. Pierce pointed out that should there be any additions to the plant the increase in taxes from that would not increase the energy rate.

When asked why the ESPSC was offering a lower rate Mr. Pierce answered that they are trying to get their consumers on a uniform rate. At present they have five different rates and are trying to make them all the same.

As to dependability of service — they have better equipment than ever before. Switches which were

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operated manually are now automatic. Lines and poles are stronger. Lines are regularly patrolled by plains. They can spot even a cracked insulator. They can radio from the plain to office of any trouble.

According to Dr. Roach the road force can see 70% of the lines from the road. They have hot line operators that can make repairs without cutting off the current.

The Company has to keep on hand so much spinning reserve. They get credit for it and are often called upon from the power pool for current. They would be highly penalized if a plant was not in condition to run if called upon.

All the above refinements are put in so the customer can have current. As they make their profit by supplying current it is to their advantage to keep all equipment in first class condition.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton D. Hoja, sec.

February - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, February 24, 1954. All members present.

The Town Commissioners had been invited to attend the meeting so as to decide on the signing of the new contract with The Eastern Shore Public Service Company of Maryland.

After a lengthy discussion the Town Commissioners withdrew for the purpose of calling a special meeting. They reported having adopted the ordinance shown as Exhibit "B" in the contract and that the contract had been signed by James M. Wales, president and R. Eugene Rude, Attest - Mary A. Jewell.

Minutes of the January meeting and Special meeting of February 11th read and approved.

Motion made by The Rev. Paul F. Williams and seconded by A. Gunby Reese to adopt the following resolution

Resolved, that the contract between The Eastern Shore Public Service Company of Maryland, on the one part, and St. Michaels Utilities Commission and The Commissioners of St. Michaels on the other part, dated January 1, 1954, for the furnishing of electric energy by The Eastern Shore Public Service Company of Maryland to the St. Michaels Utilities Commission, submitted this (date to be inserted later) by The Eastern Shore Public Service Company of Maryland, be and the same is hereby accepted and approved; and the execution of said contract in behalf of St. Michaels Utilities Commission by the members constituting said St. Michaels Utilities Commission be and the same is hereby authorized.

A letter from Attorney Lee S. Gillis had

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been presented stating that from the standpoint of legality there was no objection to the contract.

The contract was signed by George S. Lee president, Paul F. Williams, and A. Gunby Reese, Attest, Clifton L. Hope.

Mr. Fairbank stated he had had no word from the State Roads Commission in regard to moving poles along road between Easton + Kirkham. It was suggested to Mr. Fairbank that when the time came to remove the poles that a new line be erected instead of moving the present line and to salvage all that would be usable from the present line. A heavier line is needed and it would avoid working on hot lines and discontinuance of service.

With the regular monthly report of Income and Expenses the Secretary submitted a second report to cover profit and loss for the month of January. It was decided to submit this report as an example to the Town Commissioners.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hope, sec.

March - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Tuesday night, March 23, 1954

Those present were Messrs Lee, Williams, Fairbank and the secretary

Mr. Crouch of the Maryland-Virginia Farm Agency was also present. He wanted information as to the best location of an electric line into the new development about a mile south of St. Michaels called "Reo Vista", also cost of erecting line etc.

Minutes of February read and approved. Letter from Mr. Wm. C. Pierce, Industrial Sales manager of The ESPSC of Md. with copy of new contract. Also check for \$2644.70 to rebate the difference between billings on rate in effect before Jan. 1, 1954 and rate covered by contract dated Jan. 1, 1954 for months of January and February, 1954.

Card from Ambulance Association requesting dues of \$1⁰⁰. Motion made and carried to send \$10⁰⁰

Letter read from Mr. Douglas Holland complaining about bill. As the letter was directed to Mr. Fairbank he was instructed to see Mr. Holland and try to make the matter clear to him.

Mr. Fairbank stated he felt there should be fire extinguishers on the premises. Motion made to buy four 6 pound extinguishers and two 2 pound for trucks for tire inflators.

The secretary asked if April meeting night could be changed as she wished to be out of town the night of the 28th. It was decided to hold the April meeting either Tuesday April 20th or Thursday, April 22nd.

In answer to anyone asking about reduction of rates it was decided there would be no reduction at this time. There being no further business the meeting adjourned - *Cliff L. Hoge*

April Special

A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Monday evening, April 5th - All Commissioners and Secretary present.

The purpose of the meeting was to meet Mr. Hickman of the Burroughs Corporation who demonstrated the Burroughs Billing Machine. Mr. Hickman showed the advantages of machine billing over hand billing - time saving being the greatest advantage.

The cost of the machine would be \$2628⁰⁰ less 10% governmental discount or \$2365.20. He stated that additional panels could be purchased for \$96⁰⁰ each in case the Town Commissioners wished to use the machine for their water, sewer or tax bills.

Motion made and carried to ask permission of the Town Commissioners to purchase the machine and at the same time let them know they could purchase these extra panels if at any time they wished the use of the machine. The secretary was instructed to write a letter to the Town Commissioners to that effect.

Mr. Reese volunteered to meet with the Town Commissioners if they wished him to do so to answer any questions they might like to ask.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Olga L. Hoge, sec

April - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Tuesday evening, April 20th 1954. Those present were Messrs Lee, Williams, and Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of March regular meeting and Special meeting read and approved.

It was reported that the billing machine was been ordered including an extra panel for use of the town clerk, the Utilities to pay for the entire machine.

Mr Fairbank stated that Mr. Robert Allen had asked if the Utilities would take over the ownership of his line. The Commissioners decided it was not advisable to do so.

The matter of reducing the demand charge to the Choptank Electric Cooperative was discussed. No decision made and Mr. Fairbank said he would discuss it with Mr. Goldstein.

Charts from St. Michaels Milling Co and the Eastern Shore charts were compared showing that the St. Michaels Milling Co had run up the demand by running at night. Mr. Fairbank figured it had boosted our demand about 48 KW. Mr. Fairbank was instructed to talk to Mr. Quillen and tell him if he continued to run at night there would have to be a different rate set. It was suggested the demand rate be \$1.50.

It was reported that Charles Johnson had gone for a two weeks vacation and ^{was} due back Monday, 19th but had not returned.

Don Garner, our meter reader, has been called in service. Rev. Williams mentioned Mr. Genese is looking for a job. There being no further business the meeting adjourned. *Edna*

May - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Thursday evening, May 27, 1954. Those present were Mr. Lee, Rev. Williams, Mr. Fairbank and the secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported the new line was finished from Kirkham to a little passed Bloomfield Road.

Letter read from Town Commissioners asking for an advance of \$7,352.00.

Motion made and carried to give them check for \$4028.83 the amount of surplus cash as of Dec. 31, 1954 and \$3323.17 to make up full amount.

Letter read from Wm H. Vogel complaining about bill for \$6.00 service charge

Secretary instructed to write Mr. Vogel that the service calls were to change fuses inside the house, the trouble being caused by wrapping of secondary ^{wires} on the load side of the meter.

Mr. Fairbank reported having talked to Mr. Quillen concerning his running his machinery at night and boosting our demand. Mr. Quillen told him it is necessary to run at night at times and he would be willing to pay for the extra demand at \$1.65 per K.W. Mr. Fairbank said the March demand would be 48 KW and April would be 24 K.W. Secretary was instructed to bill the St. Michaels Milling Co for this extra demand on the June 1 bill and inform Mr. Quillen that the extra charge would always be one month later as the

charts from Eastern Shore Public Service Co are not received until the tenth of the month.

The question of making a new rate for Large Power Customers to cover night usage was discussed but no action taken. Mr. Fairbank was asked to ask Mr Goldstein's advice.

Mr. Fairbank stated the work men were not satisfied with the wages they are receiving. Other Companies are paying much higher wages and have a plan for advancements which the workmen understand and know what to expect. It is hard to get men to work for The Utilities as they can start in at a much higher figure for other Companies than the Utilities will pay. Mr. Fairbank suggested The Commission draw up a plan for salary schedule for all employees. Mr. Fairbank was asked to contact other Companies to find out how their schedule was made and it would be discussed at a time when Mr. Reese could be present. Mr. Fairbank said he would try to satisfy the men by telling them it was pending.

There being no further business The meeting adjourned

Oletha L. Hoja, sec.

June - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night June 23rd 1954. Messrs Lee Williams, Fairbank and the Secretary present. Minutes of May meeting read and approved.

The following letter read from Ellis C Lednum

St. Michaels, Md.,
June 5, 1954.

St. Michaels Utilities Commission,
St. Michaels, Maryland.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby authorized to remove the sum of thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars from my pay, effective each week as ordered by Judge Carter, the same to be paid to my wife, Esther Lednum, as support for herself and children, in accordance with the court order of June 4th, 1954.

Respectfully yours,

Ellis C. Lednum

Mr. Fairbank said that Mr. Goldstein had not been here since our last meeting so could not ask about making new rate schedule.

Mr. Fairbank also stated that the St. Michaels Milling Co did not run at night during May but has been operating in June. Mr. Fairbank submitted a plan for a

salary schedule for work man. Motion made and carried to adopt the plan which is as follows.

"Schedule Pay Rate Based on 44 hour week

Starting salary - \$45⁰⁰

Increase \$2.50 each 6 months thereafter for five years until a maximum of \$70⁰⁰ is reached.

Time and a half for all over 44 hours at pay rate in effect at time of overtime."

Motion made and carried to raise the salaries of present employees as follows: Milton Fairbank salary to be raised to \$97.50. Franklin R. Kilmon to \$70⁰⁰ Ellis C. Lednum to \$57.50. George Squires if he is still with the Utilities at the end of the year to start him then at \$45⁰⁰. Clifton L. Hope to \$200⁰⁰ per month. Carrie M Fink to the equivalent of \$1.10 per hour or \$23.65 per week. These salaries to start with the first pay day in July

The Commissioners decided that from this date on the only paid holidays would be New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas and election day.

Mr. Fairbank stated the new line was finished as far as Dixon's Lane, and poles were in as far as Lee Haven

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hope, sec.

July - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, July 28th, Messrs Lee, Williams, Fairbank and the Secretary present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported that George Squires had left and that Thomas E. Blades started to work July 27th.

The new line from Kirkham to Dudron's farm is completed as far as Lee Haven with 8/10 of a mile yet to go.

Mr. Fairbank suggested a letter be sent to customers with instructions as to what to do when voltage is low after a storm and not enough to run motors properly. The Commissioners instructed Mr. Fairbank to draft these instructions and have them printed on card board if possible. Same to be sent to customers.

Another suggestion was that someone be in the office to take calls after a storm, and be paid for time. The secretary was designated as that person. This information to be in letter sent to customers.

The secretary pointed out the pleasant reaction from delinquent customers as a result of not sending registered letters with bills. It was decided to dispence with the registered letters for six months.

by Noble Motor Co. Mr. Fairbank said he had been offered \$650⁰⁰ on a trade in of the International Truck. Cash required would be about \$1100⁰⁰

He also showed The Commissioners a picture of a Baker Truck which he thought would be a good truck to have. He was instructed to get prices on the Baker. Also as the International is only three years old to get price on new engine for same.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clyde S. Hayes, sec.

August - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, Aug 25th. Messrs Lee, Williams, and Fairbank and the secretary present.

Mr. Fairbank reported a new motor for the International truck would cost approximately \$300⁰⁰ and as soon as he could find time and could spare the truck he would have the work done.

He submitted a letter to be written to customers with instructions when current is affected by storms of any kind. The Commissioners requested these letters be printed on white card board, size about 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 and be sent to customers.

The question was brought up as to whether the Utilities should own the line into Reo Vista. This being private property it was decided it would not be advisable to take ownership until the County takes over the roads.

Mr. Fairbank said he had one more pole to remove from the old line between Kirkham and Easton and had been asked by the State Roads Com. to begin work between Kirkham and St. Michaels. He was instructed - after removing the one pole beyond Kirkham to begin at once on the line into

Reo Vista. Mr. Fairbank asked Mr. Lee to do some wiring in the office

Blue Cross for employees was mentioned. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cliff L. Noyes, sec

September - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, September 22nd with Messrs Lee, Williams, Fairbank and the secretary present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fairbank reported the Red Vista line is in. Letter from The Commissioners of St. Michaels requesting new mercury vapor lights be installed in the entire business section of Talbot Street. Motion made and carried to order ^{lights} and install them from Seymour Avenue to Dodson Avenue, which will involve eighteen units. Mr. Fairbank stated he had three on hand and would order fifteen more.

Thomas E. Blades, one of the workman has had an offer of a job that would pay much more than his present salary with the Utilities. Mr. Fairbank said he would be willing to stay with the Utilities for \$55⁰⁰ per week with the \$2⁵⁰ raise every six months. He had worked for the Utilities in the past and is familiar with the work and with meter reading. Mr. Fairbank recommended the raise. Motion made and carried to raise Blades' salary to \$55⁰⁰ effective September 27th with the understanding his six month period would begin at same date.

Motion made and carried to buy side boxes and ladder rack for one truck.

Miss Oabel Dawson, Church Neck wishes to hook up to The ESPSC line. The Commission will not approve this or any other proposed action to persons living in our territory.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clyde L. Noyce, sec

October 26, 1954

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Tuesday evening, October 26th 1954

Those present were Messrs Lee, Williams and Fairbank and the secretary

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from Halloween Parade Committee asking for donation. Motion made and carried to donate same amount as last year which was \$10⁰⁰.

It was decided to hold the November meeting, Tuesday November 23rd instead of Wednesday which would be the night before Thanksgiving.

Mr. Fairbank reported having installed temporary service in Red Vista where six houses are being built.

Letter ^(MAURA) read from Middle Atlantic Utility Radio Association, in reference to an agreement to a plan for professional aid for the National Committee for Utilities Radio (NCUR). The Commissioners decided to vote for the agreement. Maximum cost \$500 per yr.

Letters of appreciation for services rendered after hurricane read from Mr. Goldsborough, Norman Oyster, Cecil Backus, N.S. McConnell Sr., Mr. Clark Withers had expressed his appreciation in person.

An ad to be placed in the Star Democrat thanking our customers for their patience and cooperation during and after the storm.

It was stated that customers were to pay for repairs on their own lines (caused by storm)

The St. Michaels Bank is to install night service and the Utilities Commission

has been asked if they wish to take advantage of this service. Motion made and carried to do so.

Mr. Fairbank said that Keith Evans had applied to him for a job. He was willing to start at \$45.00 per week. The commissioners told him if he needed another workman to hire him.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Chas. L. Hoze, rec.

November 23, 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Tuesday evening, November 23rd. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Motion made and carried to donate \$500 to The Talbot Co. TB Association.

Letter from Commodore L. S. Perry complaining about bill sent for repairs to line after Hurricane Hazel. Com. Perry feels that as Mr. Cassidy benefits from this line Mr. Cassidy should bear part of the expense.

Mr. Lee phoned Com. Perry concerning letter, explaining that Mr. Ireland was called to do the work on his line because he was very competent. He suggested Com. Perry and Mr. Cassidy get together and make some agreement as to maintenance of line. Mr. Lee also suggested an insurance company would cover the cost of repairs. Mr. Perry is to let us know what the insurance company decides.

Mr. A Earle Robinson has stated that it was his understanding that the Utilities had taken over the line built by him and Lee J. Smith Jr. and therefore should not be charged with repairs.

After a thorough search the Secretary stated there was no record of any such transaction and no correspondence pertaining to same.

Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Robinson explaining to him that the

Utilities could not accept the line as the poles are on other property.

Letter read from The Commissioners of St. Michaels asking for an advance of \$4,352.⁰⁰ Motion made and carried to advance them that amount.

Mr. Lee suggested the Utilities should have a recording volt meter as a protection to the Commission when there might be fluctuating current on the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. line.

Mr. Fairbank suggested a set of rules should be drawn up covering the installation of air conditioners or any other motors that required a higher voltage. He was asked to draft a set of rules for the approval of the Commissioners.

Mr. Fairbank also suggested an automatic answering service for his home telephone. In case he is called out and any one else calls there would be a record of the call. The Commissioners were in favor of giving this a try out.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Oliver L. Hooper

December - 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, December 22, 1954. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported nothing had been heard from Com. Perry or A Earle Robinson in regard to bills for repairs after hurricane.

The secretary was instructed to write both parties in regard to bills and ask if any information has been received from the insurance companies.

Mr. Fairbank reported he has a volt meter on hand to be installed for recording voltage received from the ESPSC.

Mr. Fairbank reported the recording device hooked to his telephone is satisfactory it having been tried out a few nights previous.

Mr. Lee suggested to Mr. Fairbank that whenever he goes out at night on trouble to turn on his radio just in case some one comes to the office so they can contact him.

Mr. Fairbank has been working on the rules covering installation of air conditioners and other motors and will have them ready to submit to the Commission in January.

Letter from The ^{Town} Commissioners to have a light installed on Maple Ave. This has been done.

Letter from the Commissioners reappointing George S Lee to the Utilities Commission for

another three year term, beginning January 1, 1955.

Mr. Lee said the ^{Town} Commissioners had asked him if the Utilities could advance them \$3110.93. for the purpose of completing payment on sewer system. Motion made and carried to advance that amount. The secretary said that would leave the balance in the checking account \$80.76 less than the usual \$5000.00 the Utilities is allowed to keep after Dec 31st for running expenses

Motion made and carried to give the employees the usual Christmas gifts. Fairbank, Kilmon and Hope \$50⁰⁰ each, Lednum and Blades and Fink \$25⁰⁰ and Evans who has been with the Utilities but a short time \$10⁰⁰.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoyer, sec.

January - 1955

The regular ^{monthly} meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held January 26th, 1955. All members present

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Election of officers - Motion made and carried to reelect present officers, George Shee, President, Clifton L Hope, Secretary-Treasurer.

Letter read from Com. Perry stating the Insurance Co had asked if all private line owners received bills for damage done to line by Hurricane Hazel. Also asking if Commission would consider taking over private lines after a specified number of years. He also stated that he and Mr Cassidy were making an agreement for maintenance of their joint line. The secretary had replied to this letter.

Mr. A Earle Robinson had called and stated his Insurance Co. had agreed to pay damages on his line

Rules for air conditioners and other meters discussed. Mr. Fairbank said he would try to have something soon to present to the Commission

Off peak rates also discussed

Mr. Lee said those interested in the WMCA project for St. Michaels had asked if the Utilities could give some consideration on electric current. They are to get rent free from Board of Education and water and sewer rent free from the Town Com. Motion made and carried to give them the first 200 KWH used per month - The same as is given the Fire Department

Mr. Fairbank asked permission to purchase metal tool boxes for second truck. Motion made and carried to grant request.

Repairing building and erecting new building was discussed.

No further business the meeting adjourned ^{Clifton L Hope}

February - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Thursday evening, February 24, 1955. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported that neither Commodore Perry nor A Earle Robinson had paid their repair bills. The secretary was instructed to write to Perry and Robinson saying if bills were not paid by March meeting action would be taken.

Attention was called to repair bill of Glenn Dndrow part of which has been standing since Febr. 1954, and the balance since Hurrican Hazel. A letter to be written Mr. Dndrow that bill must be paid by March meeting or action would be taken.

A bill to Mr. Theodore Fletcher for over \$1600⁰⁰ for work done at Rio Vista has not been paid. Secretary instructed to write Mr. Fletcher saying that when the line at Rio Vista was built it was with the understanding that he was to pay for same and with the further understanding that when the County took over the roads this Commission would take back the line paying back the cost less depreciation. Also asking for a check by return mail as this is last year's business and we wish to clear it up.

The G + S Construction Company has failed to pay for current used in constructing houses in Rio Vista.

Mr. Lee stated the Town Commissioners had agreed to making plans for a new Utilities Shop, garage and ware house. Mr. Fairbank was to draw plans and get figures on building. Mr. Fairbank submitted partial plans and

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would finish same as soon as possible. A suitable lot has not yet been located but the Town Commissioners are working on that part of it.

A letter read from Mrs Catherine Norton, complaining about being charged a meter deposit.

Mr. Lee brot up the subject of reducing rates for Large Power Customers. After much discussion the following rate was proposed -
 Energy - 1st 5000 KW @ $2\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ all over 5000 @ $1\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
 Demand - 1st 50 KW @ \$1.65 all over 50 @ \$1.25
 Fuel rate as present. No action taken on the matter. Mr. Fairbank suggested including a power factor.

Mr. Quillen is figuring on increasing his business and is anxious to know if there is any chance of rates being lowered.

Mr. Lee suggested there be some that given to house heating.

Mr. Fairbank suggested the following to be inserted in the rules & regulations: -
 Motors of $\frac{3}{4}$ H.P. or more shall be connected for 240 volt operation and should be connected on separate circuits so as not to cause undue fluctuation of customers' lighting as well as the lighting of neighboring customers.

Mr. Lee would like off peak rates for water heaters. Mr. Fairbank suggested if this was done to consider control switches installed at the shop so as to set clocks after an interruption to service.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Noyes, Sec.

March - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Mich. Utilities was held Wednesday, March 30th with all members of Utilities and Town Commissioners present.

The Town Commissioners were asked to be present for the purpose of discussing the project of building a new shop, garage and ware house.

Dr. Fairbank submitted a blue print of plans for the building with an estimate from Mr. Brewster of \$8585⁰⁰. Mr. Brewster had also offered to draw up specifications.

Lots have been purchased on Gloria Ave by the Town Commissioners which could be used for the building. Purchase price \$500⁰⁰.

Mr. Rude referred to Ordinances which showed the Utilities could erect buildings when needed. The zoning law shows that buildings for public utility purposes can be erected in residential districts.

The question as to the right of the Utilities to borrow money was discussed. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Lee Gillis Attorney to look into the matter and if we could buy the land have a deed in the Utilities' name.

It was agreed that copies of the specifications should be given to contractors ^{for bids} and that the contract should be given to a contractor from within the corporate limits of St. Michaels.

It was also suggested that a fence be erected around the property.

The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Dawson Taylor rejecting his offer of property.

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located on Thompson Street.

The Town Commissioners were asked to give in writing their consent to borrow ~~the~~ the required amount for the project.

The Town Commissioners withdrew and the regular business of the utilities followed.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Letter from Mr. Theodore Fletcher stating the road system in Pro Vista had been taken over by the County

Letter from Rowens Office Equipment Co asking for copy of mailing list. Motion made and carried to write Mr Rowens stating we would send him the names of our customers if he would send us cards to run in the addressograph and pay for the time of running them off.

Motion made to send Ambulance Association \$5.00

It was decided to leave the Large Consumer rates as they are for the present.

Letter from Mr J. Mitchell Price dated January 15th complaining about amount of monthly electric bills. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. Price that it is the consensus of opinion that one or more apartments were using more current than usual or a ground may have developed in the wiring. Also that separate metering would answer the problem as it would automatically show current usage and would be a definite assistance in locating a ground should one develop. Also if Mr Price wishes we will supply and install permanent

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metering such as was originally in use

Motion made and carried to purchase from the Town Commissioners the lot on which the new Utilities Building is to be erected provided it is legal to do so.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoyle, sec

April - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Friday night, April 29, 1955

Those present were Misses Lee, Williams, Fairbank and the secretary

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Lee stated he would contact the Town Commissioners in regard to letting out of Town Contractors bid on the new building as there are some that would like a chance to bid.

Letter read from Lee S. Gillis stating he had examined the Public Local Laws and finds the Utilities Commission has no right to borrow money or own property. Both would have to be in the name of the Commissioners of St. Michaels.

The Secretary reported that Rowens Office Equipment Co. had not replied to the letter referring to mailing list

No reply received from Mr. Mitchell Price
Letter from Mr. Samuel Wood expressing his appreciation for prompt and efficient service the first part of April.

Letter from Dow, Lohnes and Albertson regarding Professional Service Fund for 1955. Fee from the Utilities will be \$5⁰⁰. Motion carried to pay the fee

Mr. Lee contacted Melvin Lebowitz, president of the Town Commissioners, by phone and Mr. Lebowitz stated the Town could borrow only \$5000⁰⁰ for building project and to inform bidders there might be some delay in giving contract.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifted. Joyce, sec

May 1955

A special meeting of The Town Commissioners and Utilities Commission was held Monday night, May 16, 1955. All members of both boards present.

The meeting was held to discuss the bids received on the proposed new Utilities Building and the matter of financing the project.

It was decided to contact the Town's attorney, Lee S Gillis, as to the effect the new Home Rule Law would have on our situation.

The four bids received were as follows: — Roland Plummer — \$7,902.44, C.M. Brewster — \$8735⁰⁰, J Robert Marshall — \$9485⁰⁰, C.R. Turner — \$10,453.77

By common consent the lowest bid will be accepted.

The secretary of the utilities was instructed to write Mr. Plummer stating there would be a delay due to a legal matter and asking how long the figure he gave would hold good.

The other three bidders were to be told their bids were rejected.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoge, sec

May - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held, Wednesday night, May 25, 1955. Those present were Messrs Lee, Reese, Fairbank and the Secretary.

Minutes of The April regular meeting and Special meeting of May 16th read and approved.

Letter from Roland Plummer stating his bid for building a Utilities Building was based on present prices and a wait of two or three months would change the bid if prices advanced. Also he would like payments as follows:- \$2000⁰⁰ when outside walls and masonry partitions are up, \$2000⁰⁰ when roof is on and the balance of \$3962.44 when contract is completed. Construction would take from 5 to 7 weeks, weather permitting.

Letter from The Town Commissioners asking for an advance of \$7,304⁰⁰.

Motion made and carried to advance them said amount.

Mr. Fairbank stated that Mr. C. H. Sherman is expecting to have two more customers hook on to his transformer. This will entitle him to a refund.

Mr. Fairbank had talked to Miss Mary D. Bassett in regard to changing her line and satisfactory arrangements have been made.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton P. Ngee, Sec.

June - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, June 22nd, Mrs. Lee, Williams, Fairbank and the secretary present.

Minutes of May meeting read and approved. Letter from Miles River Yacht soliciting ads for Regatta Program. Motion made and carried to pay \$12.50 for a quarter of a page reading "Compliments of St. Michaels Utilities Commission."

Letter from Town Commissioners asking for \$300⁰⁰ a month rent retroactive to Jan. 1, 1955. This is for the purpose of helping to finance the new building. The Commission consented to pay this amount.

It was reported the building had been started.

Mr. C. H. Sherman having had a Transformer in January, 1951 has asked for a refund as two more customers are building homes and have temporary hook ups. It was decided by the Commission that refunds for transformers would be made when all three customers were hooked up permanently. Mr. Sherman to be notified to that effect.

The Commissioners agreed to have a storm door put on the second floor door as an effort to stop the water from running thru the office ceiling.

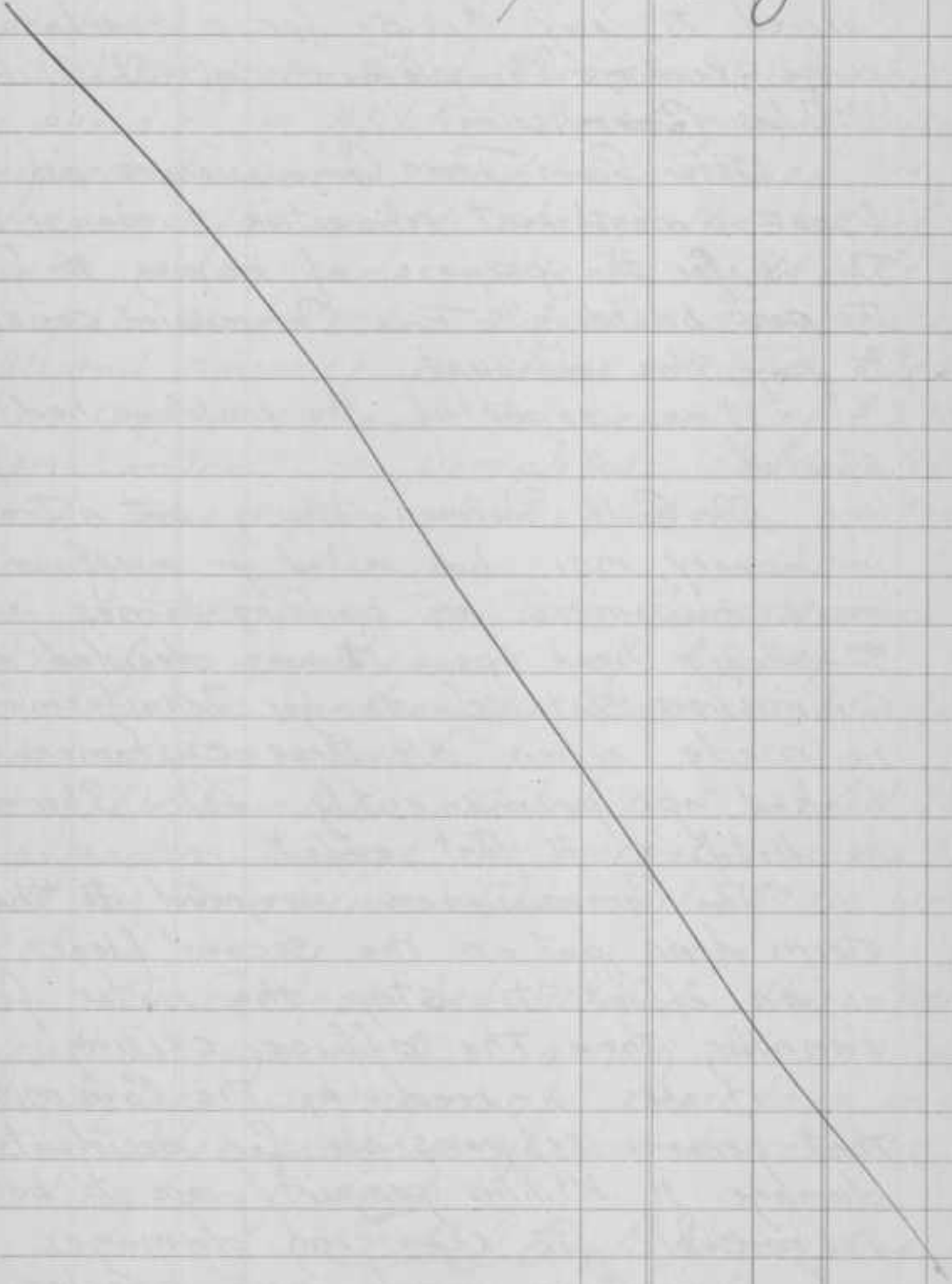
It was agreed by the Commission that persons responsible for accidents causing damage to Utilities property are to be held responsible for repairing damages.

A motion made and carried that the secretary write the Town Commissioners

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That the appearance of the town would be improved and better lighting would be obtained if the Town would have the trees along the streets trimmed. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hogue, sec.



July 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening July 27th; Lee, Williams, Fairbank and Fink present. Minutes of June meeting read and approved.

No change on demand current until new power rates are established.

St Michaels Utilities Commissioners were approached by the town Commissioners about purchasing an Air Conditioner for use in the town office, with the request that we pay half of the cost. Due to the urgency of the request, with the weather conditions prevailing, the unit was purchased from Coyne and Barto of Easton. Since no local merchant had the required unit in stock.

It was regularly moved and seconded that we secure a new motor for the line truck, since the old one is beyond repair.

Motion made that all multiple family units and commercial apartments are required to have a meter for each apartment or unit. Motion approved. Motion intended to cover all housing connections on and after July 27.

There being no further business, motion made and seconded that we adjourn.

Carrie M. Fink Sec. Protom

August 1955

The regular monthly meeting of St Michael's Utilities Commission was held Wednesday Aug. 24th. Mr. George Lee, Rev. Paul Williams, Milton Fairbank and Carrie Fink present.

Minutes of July meeting read and approved.

The Insurance policy on the new building was presented. Mr. Lee Reese was contacted by phone for his opinion and it was unanimously decided that it would be extremely unwise for the Utilities Commission to pay an insurance premium on a building that we do not own and for which we are paying a high rental.

Second, such a payment would not be in order, and would cause questions by the auditors.

Third, this payment if vitally needed should be requested from the Utilities as an advance against tentative profits.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Carrie M. Fink Sec. Protem

September 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday, Sept. 28, 1955. Those present were Messrs Lee, Williams, Reese, Fairbank and The Secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Lee said he had had a verbal request from the Town Commissioners concerning the drive way for the new building, namely that the Utilities pay for the material used and the Town would furnish the labor.

This was agreed to by the Utilities Commissioners.

Mr. Reese suggested an apron of concrete be laid in front of doors. This would save the floor. Also a walk to the side door was proposed. Motion made and carried to lay apron and walk.

Mr. Lee stated he had been informed by one of the Commissioners that steps had been taken to find out if the building could be turned over to the Utilities. Lee Gillis, attorney is looking into it.

Mr. Fairbank stated that trees along lines need trimming as it has been two years since it was done. Motion made and carried that Mr. Fairbank contact Bowman Tree Experts for prices.

Mrs. George Barner was in the office paying bill and complaining about current being disconnected for non payment. It was suggested the secretary write Mrs. Barner stating that the Commission had discussed her case and felt that every effort had been made to notify her that payment was due. 1st the bill

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had been stamped with a notification that payment should be made by Sept. 25th or service would be discontinued. 2nd Mr. Fairbank had phoned but received no answer.

3rd our man had gone to the house to contact some one but could find no one. Also to explain that it is not our policy to have our men working over time to connect a customer who has been disconnected for non payment of bills but an exception had been made in her case this time. A copy of our Rules with paragraph marked to be sent in letter.

Mr. Fairbank stated that Walter S. Wallace and Raymond Chester were due refunds of \$60.00 and \$83.16 respectively for transformers as several customers are now connected ^{on those lines} ~~with them~~.

There were discussions of various subjects such as - hole digger, new truck, ladder truck, lowering rates etc. No action taken

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoyle, sec.

October - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, October 26th. All members present

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as corrected.

Rev. Williams made a motion that Mr. Fairbank be authorized to look into the purchasing or replacing of a truck. The Commissioners agreed that a meeting could be called at any time after figures are obtained to decide whether to ask permission of the Town Commissioners to buy or replace a truck.

Letter read from Bowman Tree Experts giving rates for trimming trees. Motion made and carried to authorize Mr. Fairbank to engage Mr. Bowman to trim trees on hourly rates which was \$2.20 per hour.

Secretary instructed to write the District State Forester for blanket permit

Mr. Fairbank reported Mr. Theodore Fletcher would like Street Lights in Rio Vista. Mr. Fairbank to look into it further before answer would be given.

Mr. Lee suggested there should be a light on Chestnut Street in front of Lawrence Marshall's residence.

Mr. Fairbank stated that Keith Evans is leaving the Utilities to accept a job in Easton at \$60.00 a week. His salary with the Utilities would automatically go to \$50.00 per week the first of November. The question was asked if the Commission would consider raising him to \$55.00 to keep him. The decision was that it would not be fair to the other men to raise Evans' salary an extra \$5.00 without raising them and they felt it was not advisable to make such a raise at this time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Hoze, Sec.

November - 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St Michaels Utilities was held Wednesday November 23rd. All members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

After comparison of prices and consulting Mr. Fairbank Mr. Reese made the motion, seconded by Rev. Williams that Mr. Fairbank be authorized to purchase a Dodge pick up truck. The entire cost cost to be \$1718.10

A letter from the Town Commissioners granting permission to buy a truck at a maximum cost of \$1750⁰⁰ providing an advance of \$4208⁰⁰ can be paid. The Commissioners before November 30th.

Motion made by Rev. Williams and seconded by Mr. Reese to advance the amount of \$4208⁰⁰ to the Town Commissioners.

Motion made and carried to refund C.H. Sherman the amount paid for transformer as three year round customers are now connected.

Motion made and carried to refund to Clifford Taylor amount paid for transformer for same reason.

It was decided that Calloway Harrison should be charged for 7 1/2 HP. Altho he has two motors 7 1/2 HP each he can use only one at a time.

Mr. Fairbank stated he would need some furniture when they move to the new building - such as desk, filing cabinet, lockers and chairs. Mr. Fairbank was authorized to buy the furniture he needed.

Motion was made by Mr Reese and seconded by Rev. Williams that beginning with January payment of Blue Cross and Blue Shield that the Utilities would pay the premium for employees and their families.

★ There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Hoja, sec

★ Motion made and carried to purchase 500 T. B Stamps CLH

December, 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, December 28, 1955. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Thank you notes received from the widow of Thomas E. Blades who was killed Dec. 2nd.

Motion made and carried to send Mrs. Blades \$40.00 per week until her Social Security payments start or for 90 days whichever date is the earlier.

The Secretary was asked to send a letter of condolence to Mrs. Daniel Roach, Oxford. Mr. Roach had been connected with the Eastern Shore Public Service Co. for several years.

Letter from the Halloween parade committee thanking the Commission for their donation.

Letter from Bennett Motor Co. thanking the Commission for selecting one of their Dodge trucks.

The account of St. Michaels Locker Plant, owned by Dr. Lee S. Gillis was reviewed and found to be constantly in arrears for over a year. The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Gillis saying that as he is the only one that has been accorded special consideration we feel that this policy should be discontinued as of Jan. 1st 1956. And as the Utilities will owe him a retainer fee of \$100.00 at that time it to be requested that he cooperate by authorizing us to use this to apply on his account.

In reviewing the contract with the

Choptank Electric Cooperative it was found that a reduction in rates was promised on the condition that The ESPSC should reduce the Utilities rates. As this reduction has been made to us it was moved and carried to adjust the Choptank rates as follows:

Energy Charge - $2\frac{1}{4}\text{¢}$ per KWH for the first 1000; over 1000-KWH to be 1.2¢ per.

Demand Charge to be $\$1.00$ per KW.

Fuel charge to remain at the same ratio as present which is 1.1 times the amount charged the Utilities by the E.S.P.S.C.

A letter to be written the Choptank with this information and one to Public Service Commission for their files

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Clifton L. Noyce, Sec.

January - 1956

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday evening, January 25, 1956. Those present were Messrs Lee, Reese, Gardner and Fairbank and the Secretary.

Letter read from The Town Commissioners appointing J. Doem Gardner Utilities Commissioner for a three year term beginning Jan 1, 1956.

Election of Officers - George S Lee elected president and Clift L. Hoop - Secretary - Treasurer for 1956.

The Secretary reported Lee S Gillis had consented to his retainers fee being applied on his electric bill.

The Secretary having heard from Public Service Commission that permission must be granted to change any rates had written that Commission asking permission to change rates to Choptank Electric Cooperative, Inc. Permission had been granted and new rate schedule sent Public Service Commission and Choptank Electric, the effective date being February 1st 1956 to comply with the regulations of Public Service Commission.

Mr. Fairbank reported having given Mr. Theodore Fletcher all the necessary information in regard to street lights in Rio Vista but had not heard from him.

A letter was written to St. Michaels Bank authorizing them to honor the signatures of either of the three Commissioners ^{counter signed by} and the Secretary on Utilities checks. The letter was signed by the three Commissioners.

The matter of insurance on office equipment and Materials and Supplies was discussed.

It was decided to have The policy rewritten to cover 80% of office furniture and contents of shop.

Carl Truitt having reached The age of 19, now being illicit to His father's Blue Cross, has signed an application to continue on his own. Before this can be transferred to the Utilities he will be billed for a three month's period. The Commissioners decided that as the Commission is paying for the other employees his bill will also be paid by the Commission.

Mr. Reese suggested the new Utilities Building should be water proofed and gave a formula for same. Mr. Fairbank was authorized to purchase the materials and have his men do the work in spare time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Olyta L. Hoyer, sec.

February - 1956

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday, February 22nd, 1956. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported having changed the insurance coverage - \$5000.00 on office furniture and equipment to James T. Morris Agency and \$12000.00 on contents of new building to William C. Mills.

The Tree Trimming has been completed. Bowman Tree Experts total bill amounted to \$2241.80. Only one bill had been received from the Maryland Department of Forests and Parks amount - \$167.65.

The Town Commissioners have proposed a change in the charter concerning salary of the Utilities Commissioners. If this change is granted by legislature the salaries will be \$25⁰⁰ per year plus \$15⁰⁰ per diem for regular meetings attended.

Mr. Reese suggested that should any one accost the Commissioners regarding this raise in salary it might be wise to compare with the salaries of bank directors. The Utilities having a larger business than the bank and the bank paying a larger salary to each of twelve men where the Utilities have but three.

The secretary stated that Mrs Fink is planning a five weeks' vacation this summer and asked about a substitute. Motion made and carried for Mrs Fink to consult Mr. Fink in finding some one in high school for a substitute. It was decided who ever is selected

To come in Saturdays to learn part of the work so she would be more familiar with what would be required of her when Mrs Fink is away.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifton L. Hoop, sec.

March - 1956

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was held Wednesday night, March 28th. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The secretary reported that Bruce Wayman was recommended by her teachers for the job as substitute for Mrs. Fink while on vacation. Bruce will work three hours each Saturday beginning April 7th so as to learn part of the work. Salary to be 75¢ per hour.

Letter was read written ^{Oct. 22nd 1955} to WC Mills, Agent of the Continental Insurance Co. by the secretary reporting damage done to a roof, property of Mary Virginia Chester.

Letter from the insurance company dated Febr. 23, 1956 stating the claim had been disposed of by payment of \$60.00 to the claimant. Thru a phone call to Mr. Mills the secretary learned that he had received the check. March 14th when the claimant was in the office she had heard nothing from him. The secretary was instructed to call Mr. Mills to find out if the check had been delivered to the claimant, as the Utilities wished to satisfy their customers.

The secretary mentioned the ampliphone that was used between the office and shop before the shop was moved is still on the books and asked what was to be done with it. No action taken.

Mr. Fairbank reported Mr. Fletcher had talked to him again about street lights in Rio Vista. They

would want lights in two sections - eleven lights in all. It would mean two controls, two time switches, two meters. Current to be paid for by The Beach Club. The secretary was instructed to write our attorney, Lee S. Gillis, for a ruling whether we could legally invest in street lights for Rio Vista, the original installation cost plus any extension cost to be amortized by the Beach Club over a period of ten years from the original date ^{of completion.} The current consumed to be paid for monthly and maintenance of line paid as repairs or replacement occurred.

Copy of the letter to be sent to Town Commissioners ^{for their approval} and copy given to Mr. Fairbank.

The Utilities Office is to be closed the afternoon of April 2nd due to Town election. It was the decision of the Commissioner that the radio should be left on in case of emergency.

Mr. Fairbank stated that his men felt they should be paid for standing by at night from 6 P.M. to 8 A.M. Three men take turns in being on call over night. Motion made and carried to grant "stand by" pay of two hours ^{at} overtime rates. Any service in excess of two hours to be at the usual overtime rate. This to take effect April 1st.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cletha L. Hoyle, sec.

April - 1956

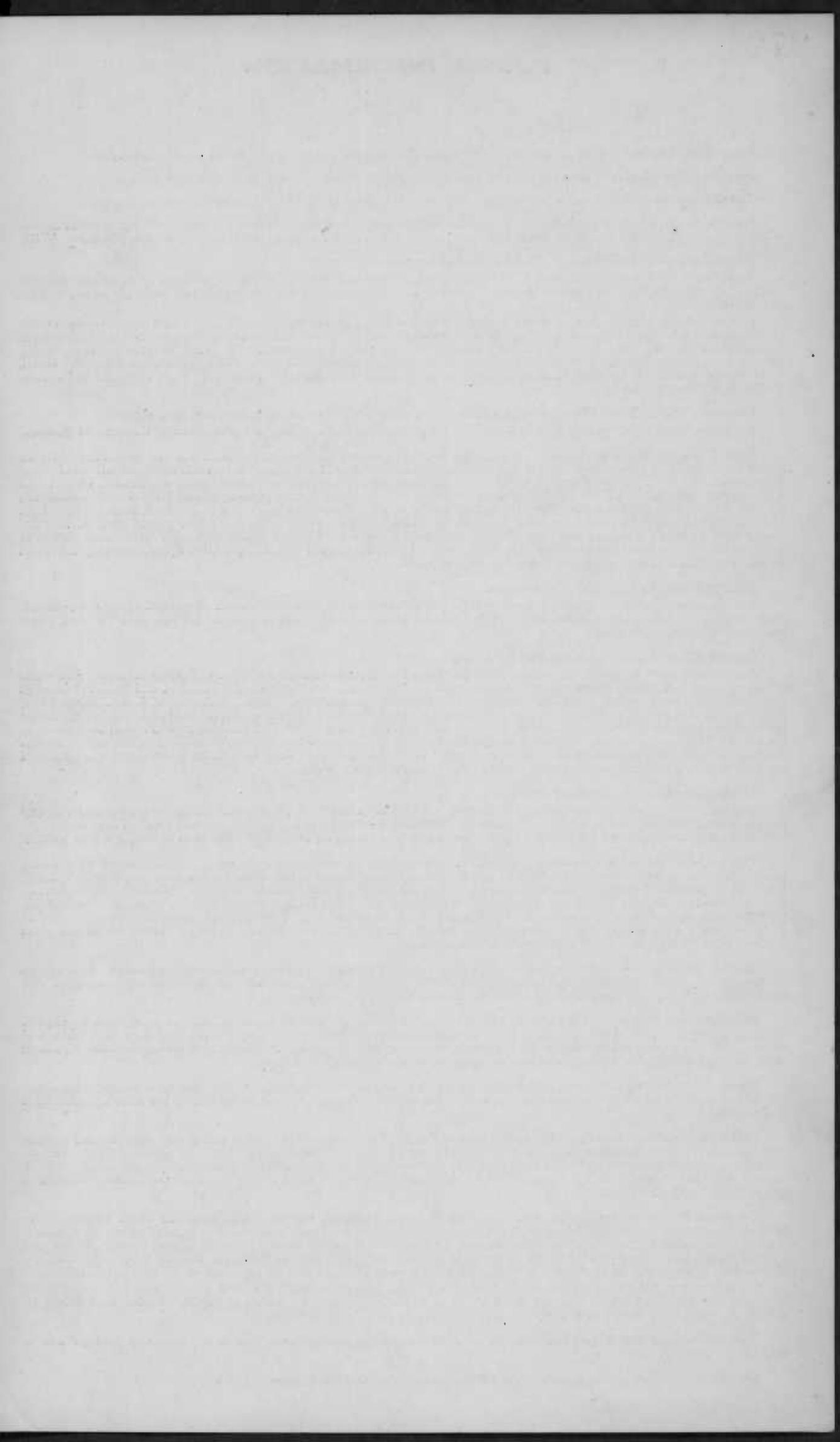
A special meeting of the St. Michaels Utilities Commission was called at 6:00 P.M., Thursday, April 19th. All members present.

Mr. Lee had had a telephone call from Mr. Goldstein of the Public Service Commission in regard to rates covering Harrison + Jarboe of McDaniel and the St. Michaels High School. Mr. Goldstein suggested to Mr. Lee that the Utilities secure the services of H. H. Hunter chief Engineer of P.B.C. to help revise the rate schedule. The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Hunter asking him help in this revision.

As there had been no reply to the letter sent to the Town Commissioners regarding street lights in Rio Vista the secretary was asked to write the Town Commissioners saying the Utilities Commissioners felt they owed our customers in Rio Vista the courtesy of a reply to their request and asking the commissioners to reply to our letter so we could notify the Rio Vista Beach Club of their decision.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Clifford Hoge, secy



POSTAL INFORMATION

First-Class Matter.—Letters, hand or typewritten matter, post cards, matter sealed against inspection.

Second Class Matter.—Newspapers and periodicals bearing notice of entry as second-class matter.

Third-Class Matter.—Proof accompanied by manuscript, pamphlets, etc., unsealed for easy inspection.

Fourth-Class, Parcel Post.—Books, all mailable matter including farm and factory products not embraced in matter of the first, second and third classes. Limit of weight for a radius of approximately 150 miles, 70 lbs.; over 300 miles, 50 lbs.

Domestic Rates, First-Class.—Letters, Sealed Matter.

Two cents per ounce or fraction thereof. At offices with no free delivery by carriers or delivery by rural free delivery carriers, one cent per ounce or fraction thereof. Local or drop letters at free delivery offices, two cents per ounce or fraction thereof.

Domestic Rates apply on letters to any part of the United States or its possessions, Alaska, Canal Zone, Hawaii, Philippine Islands, Porto Rico, Virgin Islands and to all mail addressed to officers and members of crews on U. S. War vessels. Applies also to letters, but not to other articles addressed to the following countries: England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia, British Guiana, British Honduras, Canada, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Dutch West Indies, Honduras, Leeward Islands, Mexico, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Peru, Republic of Panama, Trinidad, Windward Islands.

Domestic Rates, First Class—Postal Cards.—One cent each. Double or reply cards, two cents.

Domestic Rates apply to any part of the U. S., its possessions and to Canada, Cuba, Mexico, Republic of Panama.

First-Class—Articles Included. Among the articles included in first-class matter are the following: Letters, postal cards, hand or typewritten matter, letter press or carbon copies of same, and imitations or reproductions of same. Matter so sealed or wrapped as not to be easily examined, assessment notices printed with amount due written, blank books with written entries, checks, filled out, cancelled or otherwise, all signed forms, cards or letters printed with *written date not date of card* stating when sender will call, deliver goods, or when something will occur or is acknowledged to have been received, cards printed for receipts, orders, etc., with written signature. Copy written or typed *without proof sheets*. Envelope with written addresses other than those of sender or addressee. Folders of stiff paper the entire inner surface of which cannot be examined except at risk of breaking seal. Price lists printed containing written figures changing individual items. Shorthand notes. *Unsealed communications or letters.*

Second-Class Matter—Rates of Postage.

To Others than Publishers or News Agents.—The rate is one cent for each four ounces or fraction thereof, on second-class newspapers, magazines or periodicals. Note that rate is one cent for each 4 ounces, *not* one cent for each paper contained in the same wrapper.

Second-Class Matter includes the following:

Newspapers and Periodicals exclusively in print entered as second-class matter, issued at stated intervals, four times a year or more and mailed to subscribers or news agents. Periodicals, publications of benevolent and fraternal societies and lodges with a thousand members. Publications of strictly professional, literary, historical and scientific societies, trade unions, etc., published four times a year or more. Publications for advertising or free circulation without legitimate list of subscribers are excluded from second-class rate and pay third-class rate. Publications sent to actual subscribers in the county where published are free unless mailed for delivery at a letter carrier office. Wrap second-class matter so that postmaster may easily inspect same. "Sample Copy," or "Marked Copy," may be written on wrapper, typographical errors in text may be corrected, but *other writing subjects matter to letter postage.*

Third-Class Matter—Rates of Postage.

One cent for each two ounces or fraction thereof. If two thousand or more identical pieces are mailed under special permit, postage may be paid in money. Postage on third-class matter must be *fully prepaid* and admit of easy inspection. New postage must be prepaid for forwarding to a new address or returning to sender. The limit of weight is four pounds.

Third-Class—Articles included. Among articles subject to third-class rate are: Advertisements on blotting paper, almanacs, assessment notices wholly in print. Blanks—legal, forms of insurance applications, etc., mainly in print. Indented or perforated sheets for blind, blue prints. *Printed* plans and architectural designs. Calendar pads, Christmas, Easter, Birthday, Holiday Cards and Valentines. Catalogues and Price Lists. Grain (seed for planting). Imitations, reproductions, etc., of hand or typewriting by multigraph, mimeograph, etc., if 20 *identical* copies or more are mailed at P. O. window. Lithographs, maps, memorandum, receipt, check books, etc., mainly in print. Music books and sheet music. Photos on paper. Proof sheets with or without copy.

Special Delivery.—Rate ten cents for each letter, parcel or package in addition to the regular postage. This applies to first, second, third and fourth class—Parcel Post matter. For this service use ten cent special delivery stamp or affix ten cents in ordinary postage and use the words, "Special Delivery," on the wrapper.

Registration.—All postal matter except fourth-class—Parcel Post, may be registered for ten cents, each package in addition to regular rates of postage to be fully prepaid in stamps. Envelope or parcel must bear name and address of sender. Receipt returned *if requested*. An indemnity is paid for the loss, rifling, or damage of first-class domestic registered mail, value up to \$50; for domestic third-class registered mail, for value up to \$25.

Unmailable Matter.—Certain articles, drugs, liquors, compositions, writings, books, poisonous insects, explosives, germs, live animals, odoriferous substances, libelous or defamatory writings, etc., are prohibited by law from transportation in the mails.

Collect on Delivery Service.—Domestic Parcel Post. The sender of a mailable parcel with fully prepaid postage may have the price of the article and charges collected from addressee on payment of a fee of 10 cents (in stamps affixed) in addition to postage, providing C. O. D. amount does not exceed \$50; or on payment of a fee of 25 cents providing C. O. D. amount does not exceed \$100. A special C. O. D. tag must be used. Addressee not permitted to examine contents of parcel without paying charges.

Domestic Money Orders.—Payable in the United States including Hawaii, Porto Rico and Virgin Islands, U. S., or in its possessions, embracing the Canal Zone, Guam, the Philippine Islands, and Tutuila (Samoa), at the U. S. Postal Agency at Shanghai (China); also for orders payable in Bermuda, British Guiana, British Honduras, Canada, Cuba, and Newfoundland, and in the following islands in the West Indies: Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Martinique, Montserrat, Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad and Tobago and Virgin Islands (British).

For orders from \$0.01 to \$2.50, 3 cents; from \$2.51 to \$5.00, 5 cents; from \$5.01 to \$10.00, 8 cents; from \$10.01 to \$20.00, 10 cents; from \$20.01 to \$30.00, 12 cents; from \$30.01 to \$40.00, 15 cents; from \$40.01 to \$50.00, 18 cents; from \$50.01 to \$60.00, 20 cents; from \$60.01 to \$75.00, 25 cents; from \$75.01 to \$100.00, 30 cents.

Foreign Postage Rates and Conditions.—On all articles not fully prepaid, double the deficiency postage will be collected on delivery.

Letters.—1st ounce or less, 5 cents; each additional ounce or fraction, 3 cents.

POSTAL INFORMATION—(Continued)

Postal Cards, 2 cents, double or reply cards 4 cents.

Newspapers and Printed Matter, limit 4 pounds 6 ounces; 1 cent for 2 ounces.

Commercial Papers.—Limit 4 pounds 6 ounces; 5 cents 10 ounces or less, 1 cent each additional 2 ounces or fraction.

Samples of Merchandise.—Limit, 12 ounces; 2 cents 4 ounces or less, 1 cent each additional 2 ounces or fraction.

Registration Fee.—For letters and other articles, 10 cents.

International Reply Coupons.—May be purchased at 6 cents each and will be exchanged for postage stamps of foreign country equivalent in value to five cents.

Limit of Weight (except Mexico), 11 pounds. **Limit of Size**, apply to Postmaster.

Foreign Money Orders.—Payable in any country except those mentioned under "Domestic Money Order" countries at following rates:

\$0.01 to \$10.00, 10 cents; amounts to \$20.00, 20 cents; to \$30.00, 30 cents; to \$40.00, 40 cents; to \$50.00, 50 cents, etc., to \$100.00 limit for one order, \$1.00.

Domestic Parcel Post—Fourth Class. Mail matter embraces all matter not included in first, second and third class. See opposite *Fourth-Class—Parcel Post*, for limit of weight and size. Parcels must bear name and address of sender preceded by the word "From." Must not be sealed or closed against inspection. Must not contain writing.

Insurance.—A domestic parcel may be insured against loss equivalent to its actual value not to exceed \$5.00 on a payment of a fee of 3 cents, \$25.00 for 5 cents, \$50.00 for 10 cents, or \$100.00 for 25 cents, in addition to the postage.

PARCEL POST RATES FOR ALL ZONES ARE GIVEN BELOW.

Weight in Pounds	Local	ZONES								Weight in pounds
		1st Up to 50 Miles	2d 50 to 150 Miles	3d 150 to 300 Miles	4th 300 to 600 Miles	5th 600 to 1,000 Miles	6th 1,000 to 1,400 Miles	7th 1,400 to 1,800 Miles	8th Over 1,800 Miles	
1	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.06	\$0.07	\$0.08	\$0.09	\$0.11	\$0.12	1
2	.06	.06	.06	.08	.11	.14	.17	.21	.24	2
3	.06	.07	.07	.10	.15	.20	.25	.31	.36	3
4	.07	.08	.08	.12	.19	.26	.33	.41	.48	4
5	.07	.09	.09	.14	.23	.32	.41	.51	.60	5
6	.08	.10	.10	.16	.27	.38	.49	.61	.72	6
7	.08	.11	.11	.18	.31	.44	.57	.71	.84	7
8	.09	.12	.12	.20	.35	.50	.65	.81	.96	8
9	.09	.13	.13	.22	.39	.56	.73	.91	1.08	9
10	.10	.14	.14	.24	.43	.62	.81	1.01	1.20	10
11	.10	.15	.15	.26	.47	.68	.89	1.11	1.32	11
12	.11	.16	.16	.28	.51	.74	.97	1.21	1.44	12
13	.11	.17	.17	.30	.55	.80	1.05	1.31	1.56	13
14	.12	.18	.18	.32	.59	.86	1.13	1.41	1.68	14
15	.12	.19	.19	.34	.63	.92	1.21	1.51	1.80	15
16	.13	.20	.20	.36	.67	.98	1.29	1.61	1.92	16
17	.13	.21	.21	.38	.71	1.04	1.37	1.71	2.04	17
18	.14	.22	.22	.40	.75	1.10	1.45	1.81	2.16	18
19	.14	.23	.23	.42	.79	1.16	1.53	1.91	2.28	19
20	.15	.24	.24	.44	.83	1.22	1.61	2.01	2.40	20
21	.15	.25	.25	.46	.87	1.28	1.69	2.11	2.52	21
22	.16	.26	.26	.48	.91	1.34	1.77	2.21	2.64	22
23	.16	.27	.27	.50	.95	1.40	1.85	2.31	2.76	23
24	.17	.28	.28	.52	.99	1.46	1.93	2.41	2.88	24
25	.17	.29	.29	.54	1.03	1.52	2.01	2.51	3.00	25
26	.18	.30	.30	.56	1.07	1.58	2.09	2.61	3.12	26
27	.18	.31	.31	.58	1.11	1.64	2.17	2.71	3.24	27
28	.19	.32	.32	.60	1.15	1.70	2.25	2.81	3.36	28
29	.19	.33	.33	.62	1.19	1.76	2.33	2.91	3.48	29
30	.20	.34	.34	.64	1.23	1.82	2.41	3.01	3.60	30
31	.20	.35	.35	.66	1.27	1.88	2.49	3.11	3.72	31
32	.21	.36	.36	.68	1.31	1.94	2.57	3.21	3.84	32
33	.21	.37	.37	.70	1.35	2.00	2.65	3.31	3.96	33
34	.22	.38	.38	.72	1.39	2.06	2.73	3.41	4.08	34
35	.22	.39	.39	.74	1.43	2.12	2.81	3.51	4.20	35
36	.23	.40	.40	.76	1.47	2.18	2.89	3.61	4.32	36
37	.23	.41	.41	.78	1.51	2.24	2.97	3.71	4.44	37
38	.24	.42	.42	.80	1.55	2.30	3.05	3.81	4.56	38
39	.24	.43	.43	.82	1.59	2.36	3.13	3.91	4.68	39
40	.25	.44	.44	.84	1.63	2.42	3.21	4.01	4.80	40
41	.25	.45	.45	.86	1.67	2.48	3.29	4.11	4.92	41
42	.26	.46	.46	.88	1.71	2.54	3.37	4.21	5.04	42
43	.26	.47	.47	.90	1.75	2.60	3.45	4.31	5.16	43
44	.27	.48	.48	.92	1.79	2.66	3.53	4.41	5.28	44
45	.27	.49	.49	.94	1.83	2.72	3.61	4.51	5.40	45
46	.28	.50	.50	.96	1.87	2.78	3.69	4.61	5.52	46
47	.28	.51	.51	.98	1.91	2.84	3.77	4.71	5.64	47
48	.29	.52	.52	1.00	1.95	2.90	3.85	4.81	5.76	48
49	.29	.53	.53	1.02	1.99	2.96	3.93	4.91	5.88	49
50	.30	.54	.54	1.04	2.03	3.02	4.01	5.01	6.00	50
51	.30	.55	.55	1.06						51
52	.31	.56	.56	1.08						52
53	.31	.57	.57	1.10						53
54	.32	.58	.58	1.12						54
55	.32	.59	.59	1.14						55
56	.33	.60	.60	1.16						56
57	.33	.61	.61	1.18						57
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64	.37	.68	.68	1.32						64
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66	.38	.70	.70	1.36						66
67	.38	.71	.71	1.38						67
68	.39	.72	.72	1.40						68
69	.39	.73	.73	1.42						69
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