

FROM THE MAYOR - It has too frequently been true that our Police, having been called in connection with a theft, a break-in, a trespass, or some other depredation suffered by a citizen, apprehend the person they believe to be the perpetrator of the criminal act and then find that the offended citizen refuses to prosecute! The reasons given by the citizen for such refusal may seem to him adequate, but he is in fact subjecting the entire Town to the possibility that the offense may be repeated against another citizen. In addition, the Police may have spent much time and effort on the case and it is discouraging, to say the least, when the complainant will not cooperate to bring the matter to trial. If we expect to have law enforcement in this community, it is absolutely essential that all of our citizens play their part, even if that means spending a few hours in a Courtroom. It is the job of the Police to apprehend the perpetrator of a crime; it is the job of the Courts to determine the guilt or innocence of the accused; and it is the job of every good citizen to assist in this process as best he can!

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING, October 5 - When he was appointed a Commissioner, Wayne Cleveland resigned from the Planning Board. Fred Korff has been appointed to fill his term. Ed Crumley resigned as Chairman of the Board of Adjustment, and Dan Vaughan has been appointed to fill his term. A Public Hearing will be held on November 4 on a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance. Charles Stuart was recommended for employment on the Police Force, effective October 18. The Commissioners expressed thanks to Al Wyllie and A. C. Davis for their "tireless effort and ever readiness to work for the Town."

At their October 20 meeting, the Commissioners accepted the resignation of Col. O'Neal as Director of Civil Defense. Although he does not wish to accept permanent appointment to the post, Dr. Robert Bloomer will act as director until a new director is appointed. A joint meeting with Atlantic Beach aldermen has been proposed with the purpose of hearing Roy Fogle, Director, Neuse River Council of Governments discuss the availability of funds for water and sewer projects. The street connecting Pine Knoll Blvd. and Arborvitae Drive (formerly Bridge Street) has been named Ramsey Drive as a tribute to Jim Ramsey.

In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Art Browne, Mr. Ingram of the Corps of Engineers explained that the Corps will soon begin a study of the probability of a 100-year flood and will make a map designating zones where flooding will occur at certain levels. Then the Federal Insurance Administration will make recommendations for flood plain management amendments to the town's zoning ordinance. Federal lending institutions will have a copy of the map and will require homeowners to obtain flood insurance if they build in flood hazard areas.

OUR NEW POLICE OFFICER, Charles Stuart, lives in Morehead. He comes to PKS from a position as police officer in Emerald Isle but has spent much of his life in the service where he was an MP. He is now retired from the service.

HIGHLIGHTS of regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Pine Knoll Association, October 12, 1976:
Director Davis Cook found it necessary because of his business to resign as Chairman of Waterways and Embayment Areas Committee. He also tendered his resignation as member of the Board. Richard Mansfield was appointed Chairman of Waterways and Embayment Areas and was also elected to the Board. William Mueller was named Vice-President to assume duties of that office vacated by the resignation of Davis Cook. At the request of Ed Crumley, Chairman of the Special Canal Committee, Ken Hoffmeyer was named to serve on that committee. Walt Wilcox was named to serve on the Architectural Control Committee, replacing Wayne Cleveland who has resigned. Copies of the By-Laws of Pine Knoll Association, Inc., are available to those property owners who do not already have this document. Copies may be obtained at 121 White Ash Drive.