FY 93-94 AUDIT PRESENTED

Lee Carroll, town auditor, declared the town in sound financial position and rendered an unqualified opinion in his report on the independent audit at the Nov.10 meeting. The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report will be entered again this year for a Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting. Prepared by the town staff, the report has met these exacting standards for the past five years.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Commissioners declared certain town personal property surplus to needs of the town as required by law. Citizens can examine and offer to buy these items at silent auction on Friday, December 2, at 2:00 p.m. in the fire bay at town hall. All sales are final and paid in cash. A list of items is posted on the bulletin board at town hall. Items include 2 shotguns, two typewriters, a walkie-talkie, a piece of outdoor carpet and a sideboard. All items will be disposed.

BURNING PERMITS REQUIRED

The Fire Protection and Prevention Chapter of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of PKS, 11-4 cites the requirements for burning which include calling town hall for permit. Please advise any landscaper or contractor you employ to get a permit before burning trash.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

With all the holiday activities, taxes may become the last thing on your minds. If you have not paid your Town taxes, please do so before Christmas week. January 5th is the last day to pay taxes without interest. Payment before the Holiday Season will be appreciated.

A very Merry Christmas to all! Connie G. Shelton, Tax Collector

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Meeting in Beaufort with members of the NC General Assembly, Mayors, Transportation Advisory Committee Chairmen, Commissioners, Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development interest, the Transportation Improvement Program(TIP) gathered to receive input on priority and candidate projects for inclusion in the 1996-2002 Transportation Improvement Program. Representing PKS was Mayor Pro Tempore Reese Musgrave. Hasulak was attending a previously scheduled waste water task force meeting.

County wide priorities tentatively set were:

- High rise bridge over Gallants Channel at Beaufort.
- 2. Continued improvement by widening Hwy. 24.
- 3. Continued improvement of Hwy.70 from Raleigh to Carteret County with limited accesses and a by-pass of Havelock.
- 4. An overpass at the intersection of Hwys. 24 and 70 west edge of Morehead City.
- 5. Intersection overpass at Hwy.
 70 and Bridges St. extension
 in Morehead City.

Each town also has a list of priorities. Pine Knoll Shores priorities are:

- 1. Bike paths/trails on Hwy.58.
- 2. Three lanes on Hwy. 58.
- 3. Turn off lanes from Hwy. 58 at Oakleaf Dr., Mimosa Blvd., Pine Knoll Blvd.
- 4. Pedestrian stop light on Hwy. 58 at Mimosa Blvd.
- 5. Cut back, clean out vegetation in swales along Hwy. 58.

As stated in our Land Use Plan Update, the Town of Pine Knoll Shores continues to oppose a third bridge across Bogue Sound with the terminus in Pine Knoll Shores.