

## November BOC Meeting

By Yvette Bannen

The Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on a proposed amendment to permit davits on sea walls. Only one person had questions about pilings, boat lifts and davits. The amendment later passed by a 4 to 1 vote with Commissioner LaBrie opposed.

A vote was taken on hiring an Office Assistant II and this passed. This will be a part-time position (20 hours a week), will require sophisticated computer skills and will be supervised by the mayor.

A vote was taken on exercising the option to buy the Kirkman property adjacent to the Public Safety Building and this passed. This commercial site measures 1.1 acres and will be purchased for \$255,000. At the last assessment, it was valued at \$287,000 and more than likely has increased since then. A small portion of the property, on Pine Knoll Boulevard, can be used to provide beach parking for the Ocean Terrace public access.

There was a vote taken on the Cavanaugh Contract and this also passed. The contract

will establish a base price for the water system. A survey, one step in assessing the value of the water system, will be mailed out soon to homeowners as part of the contract.

A resolution was passed to apply for a Bike & Pedestrian Planning Grant to the N.C. Department of Transportation. If the application for funding is successful, there is a \$4,000 local match for the \$20,000 grant funding.

Police Chief Culpepper gave his report and warned that there is a scam circulating on the Internet supposedly sent by Citibank.

Director Melby mentioned that since the inauguration of the County Paramedics have been stationed at the Public Safety Building three lives have been saved due to the prompt administration of medications.

Unfinished business: The Municipal Water System is still ongoing, and the 933 Project is finally underway and pipes are coming down the beach. For updates and further information about the 933 Project see [www.protectthebeach.com](http://www.protectthebeach.com)



*Soup's On – Habitat homeowners and the BBCC Soup Ladies, who raised more than \$200 selling their chicken chili, share a break during the Habitat Golf Tournament. From left are homeowners Ivana James and Shanovia Sutton; Kris Durham, executive director of Crystal Coast Habitat for Humanity; homeowner in process Trinique Elbert, and Soup Ladies Dot Manion, Carol Yentsch and Barbata Gaunt.*

## Golf Tournament

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partnership with Habitat to build their home earning sweat equity hours. Families who qualify for the program receive homeowner education and a decent, affordable house with a 0% mortgage.

Many Habitat volunteers that serve on committees, help at the resale store or work on Habitat house building

projects are residents of Pine Knoll Shores. The current president of the Habitat Board of Directors is Bill Keefe, a resident of Pine Knoll Shores. For more information on how you can help Habitat locally, please call the Habitat office at 252.808.2757 or visit the website at [www.cchfh.com](http://www.cchfh.com).

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