

Commissioners Minutes: Board Votes EMS Budget Amendments

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 2, 1980, at 9:00 o'clock A.M. in the Fourth Floor Conference Room of the County Office Building. All members were present: C.A. Phillips, Chairman; J.D. Peele, Vice-Chairman; Alton G. Elmore; Lester T. Copeland; and George E. Jones.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Peele.

Chairman Phillips called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Copeland made exception to the approval of the minutes in the sentence concerning "to discuss the planning board's recommendations", should read "to hear the planning board's recommendations." A motion was made by Commissioner Peele, seconded by Commissioner Jones, that the minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

A request for \$200 from Harry Gard, Chowan County representative for Operation Overcharge, that the County participate in the Operation Overcharge efforts was tabled for further discussion upon a motion by Commissioner Copeland, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and carried.

Representative Charles Evans has contacted the County to determine its interest in a draft bill to limit the discharge of rifles larger than a 22 calibre. Hunters will be required to obtain

written permission from the landowner before discharging such rifles. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Elmore, and unanimously carried, that Chowan County endorse the legislation.

A motion by Commissioner Peele, seconded by Commissioner Elmore, and unanimously carried. County will seek to have the legislature re-enact the Still Hunting regulations East of U.S. 17 in Chowan County.

Cliff Copeland, County Manager, was authorized to investigate the upkeep of the flower beds in front of the new Courthouse by a motion of Commissioner Elmore, seconded by Commissioner Peele, and carried.

No action was taken on a second request from the Highway 17 Association for \$1,000.

Due to a 33 per cent increased demand for ambulance services, the EMS budget is depleted in some line items. A motion was made by Commissioner Copeland, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and carried, authorizing the following budget amendment:

General Fund 10 - Revenue 360-00 - Ambulance Fees - increase \$2,500; Expenditure - 526-00-0300 - P.T. Salaries - \$2,500.

Invitations to the Law Enforcement Banquet on June 13, Ladies Night, at the Cross-Roads Fire Department on June

10 at 7:00, and the Arrowhead Beach Road Dedication June 4 at 10:00 A.M., were announced.

Manager Copeland discussed the moving and reorganization of office space. By motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Elmore, and carried, the County Manager was authorized to replace carpet up to a cost of \$2,000, through informal bidding.

The following transfers from contingencies were authorized on motion by Commissioner Elmore, seconded by Commissioner Peele, and carried: \$400 for dedication expenses; \$100 sidewalk at Courthouse; \$520 County appointed Board member expense; \$330 Payroll & Financial Accounting System; \$345 maintenance and supplies; \$540 rent for Drivers License Examiner's office and EIC building; \$75 autopsy fees; \$100 deductible on insurance claim; \$350 travel expense; and \$260 fire extinguishers for new Courthouse.

The County Manger updated the Board on the progress of replacement of the old Courthouse roof. The changes made by Archives & History have been put into an addendum by Everett Fauber, Architect, and the County is now awaiting a letter of approval from Archives & History authorizing proceeding with the contract.

The Board of Commissioners meeting was recessed for a joint meeting with the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education in

order to appoint a member to the ABC Board.

Chairman Phillips called the meeting to order and the floor was open for nominees. John Fayton was appointed to fill the position as member of the ABC Board.

The Commissioners regular meeting was reconvened. Commissioner Elmore made a motion that the Board ask the School Board to request the ABC Board to comply with the County's policy of a board member not serving more than two consecutive terms, which was seconded by Commissioner Copeland. The motion failed with a vote of: Yes 2, No 3.

Connell Purvis, Director of the N. C. Division of Marine Fisheries presented an informational update on his agency and to seek the support of the Board. Present with him was Earl Smith, local representative of the Marine Fisheries Commission; Carlton Nixon, Chief Law Enforcement Officer in this area; and Harold Johnson, Chief Biologist in the Albemarle Area. A Biological description of fish life as well as

financial, environmental, and industrial aspects of the fisheries industry were discussed.

The Finance Committee and the County Manager presented a balanced budget to the Board of Commissioners. Manager Copeland described a 1.7 per cent tax base increase with an anticipated increase in revenues of 4.3 per cent. Manager Copeland highlighted some particular changes (attached budget message). A public hearing on the proposed budget is set for Monday, June 16, 1980, at 9:00 A.M. in the Fourth Floor Conference Room of the County Office Building.

Earl Moore, from the Department of Transportation, reported that improvements to the Lester Lane Road and the Adult Activity Center Road are awaiting available funds from Department of Transportation. The request of the Board that Department of Transportation investigate a need for flashing lights at the U. S. 17 by-pass and business intersection is being studied, and a report is expected shortly.

On motion by Commissioner Elmore, seconded by Commissioner Peele, and carried, W. H. Hollowell, Jr. be appointed to serve on the Industrial Development Authority to replace Van Johnson who has moved; Mrs. Van (Julia) Small

be appointed to serve on the Edenton Zoning Board.

On motion of Commissioner Peele, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and carried, the regular business meeting be adjourned and meet in executive session to discuss

County personnel.

Anne K. Spruill, Clerk to the Board
By: Nancy B. Morgan
Deputy Clerk

One of the largest stereophonic speaker systems in the world is used in the outdoor drama presented during summer months at the USS North Carolina Battleship Memorial at Wilmington, N. C.

Proctor Services Held

Mrs. Selma Chesson Proctor, 76, Route 1, Hertford, died Saturday morning in the Chowan Hospital.

A native of Creswell, she was the wife of Elmer Judson Proctor, Sr., and was a member of Bethel Baptist Church.

Surviving besides her husband are two daughters: Mrs. Marjorie P. Wilkison of Suffolk, Va.; and Mrs. Preston Morgan, Route 3, Hertford; four sons: Vance E. Proctor of High Point; E. J. Proctor, Jr., Route 1, Hertford; E. Gene Proctor of Upper Marlboro, Md.;

and L. Willis Proctor, Route 2, Edenton; five sisters: Mrs. Ruth Willis of Raleigh, Mrs. Elsie Davis of Graham, Mrs. Essie Harvell and Mrs. Lina Russell, both of High Point; and Mrs. Dorothy English of Archdale; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 3 P.M. in the Chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home in Hertford, by Rev. Stanley Nixon and Rev. C.L. Brewer. Burial followed in the Bethel Community Cemetery.

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14, 1980, that "As of this time, the County does not plan to disturb the (Poole-Small) house in any way before July 1, 1980. During the period of time between now and July 1, the Board would be happy to entertain any proposal for the purchase and removal of the house from the property."

Mr. Paul Mears and his preservation society, rather than trying to work out a plan to move the houses, concentrated on locating other property to trade the County, trying to get an ordinance passed by the Elizabeth City Council creating a Historic District,

and working to get a court injunction to stop the County from using the property to eliminate a very serious parking problem. The commissioners' plans changed when we learned about those tactics of Mr. Mears and others.

The plan of others referred to in your editorial was rejected by the Board of County Commissioners and Mr. Paul Mears, who arrived in Pasquotank County less than one year ago, was notified. The property which was offered in exchange for County property was smaller and lower in value, and the location was less desirable.

Dr. Larry Tise, the Director of the N.C. Division of Archives and History, had, to my knowledge, at least three opportunities to save the Small House but elected not to act. His opportunities occurred before and after the property was acquired by Pasquotank County. In fact, the Small House remained vacant for eight long years and no one did anything to save it.

Yours truly,
Raleigh Carver, Chrmn.
Pasquotank County Board
of Commissioners

P.S. I am sure you read in the Elizabeth City newspaper the story about your brothers and sisters of the Elizabeth City First United Methodist Church having Butts' Drug Store bulldozed, destroyed, and hauled away during the week of June 16, 1980. This building was of great historical significance. Where was Mr. Paul Mears and his group of preservationists when that happened. I am somewhat disappointed that you have remained silent on the razing of that very important historical building by the Methodist Church.

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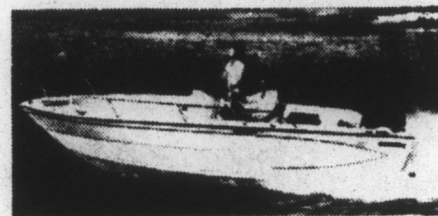
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