

CRC Endorses Land Development Proposal

The Coastal Resources Commission has endorsed a proposal for developing oceanfront land otherwise deemed unsuitable for building because of local and state regulations. At its August 28-29 meeting in Caswell Beach, the CRC granted a variance from its oceanfront setback requirements for a proposed mini-campground because the plan will not endanger lives or permanent structures.

The applicant, G. V. Barbee, Jr., of Yaupon Beach, must still obtain local permission. In other permit actions, the commission upheld issuing a CAMA major development permit to Quail Woods Access Corporation, New Hanover County, to construct a boat ramp and dock. The CRC granted a partial variance from oceanfront setback regulations to Shell Island Development Corporation, New Hanover County, contingent on changes in its subdivision proposal.

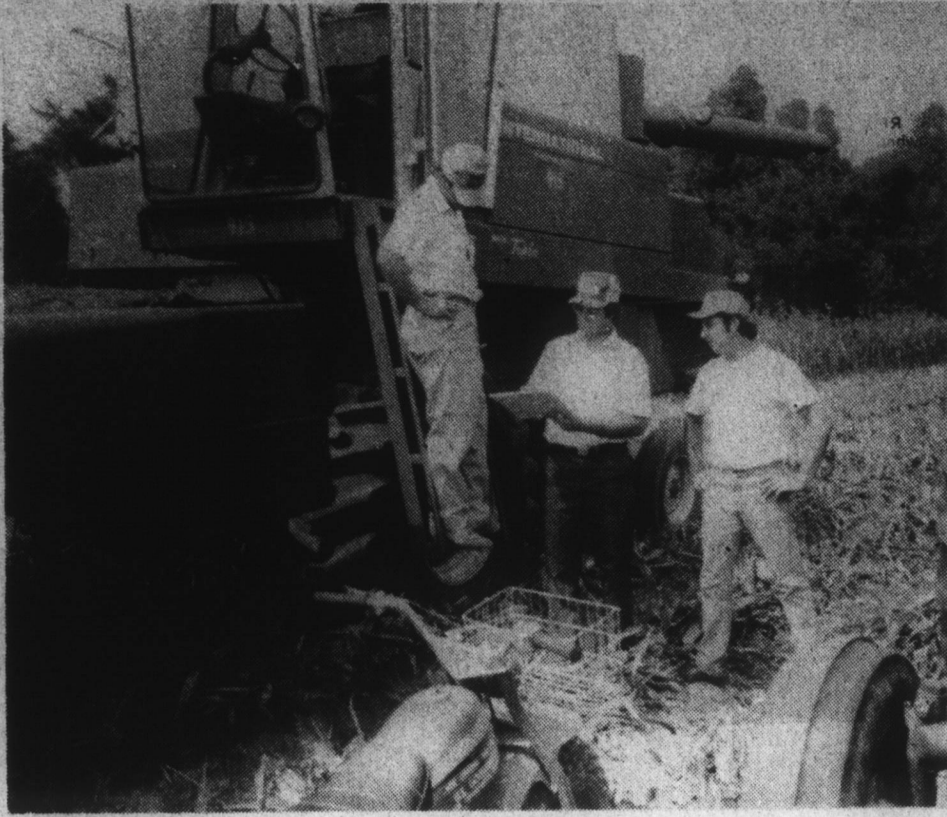
The commission adopted Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) regulations on civil penalty notification procedures, modified erosion rates for a one-mile oceanfront area south of Nags Head and adopted an interim rule permitting immediate repairs to storm-damaged structures up to 50 per cent of their assessed value.

The commission will also propose requiring that oceanfront structural relocations financed with federal funds meet all CAMA standards.

Seven reappointed commission members and a new member began terms of office. The reappointed members were Arthur Cooper of Raleigh; Charles Wells of Wilmington; Charles Evans of Nags Head; Jerry Hardesty of Currituck; T. Erie Haste of Hertford; W. Randolph Thomas of Jacksonville and Eugene B. Tomlinson of Southport. The new commission member is Karen Gottovi of Wilmington.

The 15-member Coastal Resources Commission sets the policy for the North

Carolina Coastal Management Program. Members serve staggered four-year terms.



SURVEY BOOSTED — Soil Scientist Robert Ranson, center, explains the soil survey made on the Fleetwood Farm to Jule, left, and Jimmy Fleetwood. (SCS Photo)

Combines Mean More Acres Mapped

When the fall harvest gets started it means the busiest season of the year is here for our local soil survey party. The soil survey party, consisting of three soil scientists, is making soil maps of all land in Chowan and Perquimans counties. Phil Tant, party leader and soil scientist Robert Ranson are stationed at the Area 5 Soil Conservation Service office in Edenton. Soil scientist John Scott has an office in Hertford at the district Soil Conservation Service office.

These men like to see the combines harvesting corn because they know it means more acres mapped in a day's work. Party leader Phil Tant says: "The combines really open up the land for us. We can see the lay of the land much better and with the crops off the land we can use the all terrain cycles to cover ground much faster and more thoroughly." The all

terrain cycle (ATC for short) is a compact 3-wheel motor cycle which is seeing increased use in soil survey work across eastern North Carolina.

Each soil scientist makes borings as he goes across the land noting the color, texture (sandy to clayey) and drainage class of each site. From these and other soil features he identifies the soil type into one of 34 soil series used in Chowan and Perquimans counties. He records his findings on an aerial photo and later draws a map on the photograph which outlines the location of the various soil types (or series) in that part of the county.

If you would like soil information in Chowan or Perquimans Counties contact Tony Short. Soil information is available to everyone through your local Soil & Water Conservation District. Anyone interested

should contact District Conservationist Tony Short in Hertford (426-5545) or Soil Conservation Technician Stanton Harrell in Edenton (482-4127).

Death Claims Mrs. Smith, 75

Mrs. Leora Smith Williams, 75, Route 2, Edenton, died Thursday at her home. She was a homemaker.

She was a native of Chowan County, born April 11, 1905, daughter of the late Octavius and Ida Briggs Smith. She was married to Mr. Joel C. Williams, Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are four sons: Joel Calvin Williams, Jr., of Denver, Colo.; Thomas Williams of Wakefield, Va.; Melvin Williams of Edenton; and Jack Williams of Creswell; seven daughters: Mrs. Beulah Harrell and Mrs. Mary Elliott, both of Elizabeth City; Mrs. Ailene Fouch of Lancaster, Calif.; Mrs. Helen Forehand of Taylorsville; Mrs. Ruby Webb of Chesapeake, Va.; Mrs. Ruth Holton of Creswell; and Mrs. Hazel Black of Edenton.

Other survivors include a brother, Eddie Smith of Edenton; four sisters: Mrs. Annie Brown of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Carrie Baker of Virginia Beach, Va.; Mrs. Lena Blanchard of Coinjock; and Mrs. Margie Ashley of Tyner; 38 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

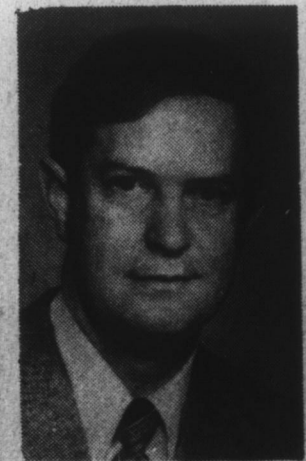
Funeral services were held at 3 P.M. Sunday in First Assembly of God Church, where she was a member. Rev. Norm Gloeckler officiated. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Williford-Barham Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Pitts Earns Navy Medal

Navy Master Chief Boatswain's Mate Malcolm L. Pitts, whose wife, Mary, is the daughter of Robert E. and Peggy K. Leeper of Edenton, has been awarded the Navy Achievement Medal.

He was cited for superior performance of duty from October, 1978, to October, 1979, while serving as a Naval Reserve recruiter operating from the Naval Air Reserve Unit, Norfolk, Va.

Pitts nearly doubled his recruiting quota, achieving 196 per cent of his assigned goal. In addition, he referred numerous other applicants to programs offered by the Navy Recruiting Command. This is the second award of the Navy Achievement Medal to be presented to Pitts for his recruiting performance.

He joined the Navy in January, 1959.

In other actions, the Coastal Resources Commission set priorities for revising its building standards in coastal areas of environmental concern (AECs). In the coming year, the commission will look at refining its standards on oceanfront setbacks, oceanfront bulkheading, inlet area development, beach access, marina and canal construction and necessary public trust water shoreline AEC designation. The commission will also examine more detailed standards for reducing the adverse effects of permitted coastal development.

Constitution Week Is Designated

The period of September 17th through the 23rd has been designated as Constitution Week and September 17th has been set aside as Constitution Day. This is a time when all citizens of the United States should take a good look at their Constitution, this document which guarantees their personal freedom.

The Constitution of this great nation was a miracle in its inception. It was written by men who had borne the yoke of servitude and by men who had gambled all, even their very lives and the lives of all they loved, to be free.

For four long months they struggled with pen and

paper, preparing a document which they prayed would guide and protect each individual and yet meld these individuals into a whole nation. Upon completion, Thomas Jefferson told the Assembly that what they had accomplished was commendable but that it would never work.

Our Constitution does work and it has been so successful it has been used as a model for other nations attempting to establish democracies.

The Betsy Dowdy Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution urges each of your readers to ponder the

sacrifices, courage and wisdom of our forefathers. We urge your readers to read their Constitution and become aware of just what a magnificent gift American Revolutionaries gave us. We urge your readers to vote in the election year and to protect their Constitutional rights.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Myrtle M. Pritchard
Chairman
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of the NSDA

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