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CLERK OF COURT RALPH KNOTT SHOWS PLANNING BOARD REPORT RELEASED THIS WEEK.

## Planing Board Recommends Water And Sewer Improvements

A comprehensive water and sewer planning report, released this week recommends facilities for garbage disposal in the rural areas of Franklin County and eventual extension of municipal water mains to serve rural populations. The report, compiled by the engineering firm of Peirson and Whitman, was released in a 123-page book by the Franklin County Planning Board through Clerk of Court Ralph Knott who serves as Administrative Officer to the Board.

The study was financed by a \$12,000 federal grant and a \$1,000 county appropriation. It was begun in 1966. Members of the Planning Board are: W. R. Richards, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. Dawn Dickens; Kenneth Fuller; Lee F. McLemore; and Ronald Tharrington.

The study recommends that four land-fill type garbage disposal stations be located in the county and that once these are established the present municipal dumps be covered with two feet of earth and abandoned.

According to an accompanying map, these disposal stations would be located near the following places: (1) Ingleside, (2) Stallings Crossroads, (3) Five Points and (4) at the intersection of State Rural Roads 1103 and 1114 about halfway between Franklinton and Youngsville. The report describes in detail the type units needed and expected construction and operational costs. Capital investment in the four units is listed at \$28,000.00 each with an annual operating cost of \$19,200.00 for the four.

The study does not preclude private citizens disposing of their own garbage but does recommend that some regulations be put into effect to safeguard the health of the county citizens. The report states: "We recommend that a countywide sewer system not be constructed at this time. We further recommend that the Town of Bunn construct a sewer system and sewage treatment plant. We recommend that individual septic tanks and nitrification field units continue to be used in the rural part of the county."

In the matter of water, the report recommends that the County Commissioners "make a formal request to the North Carolina Department of Water and Air Resources for 10 million gallons per day of water to be made available for Franklin County and its municipalities in Grey Rock Reservoir when it is constructed."

Grey Rock Dam is to be constructed on the Tar River above Franklinton in Granville County, according to the last published map by Army Engineers on the Tar River Basin project.

The report also recommends that the Commissioners adopt "a countywide utility policy which would encourage a municipality to extend water mains into the rural areas of the county. Such a policy should provide for extension of water mains into the county upon petition of 51 percent of either the property owners to be served or the front footage of the property to be served. Payment of the cost

of constructing the water main should be made by the rural customers served and based upon assessments of front footage served and/or acreage fees. The policy should be formed with the advice and consent of all Town Boards in the county...."

Commenting on the recommendations, the report says, "These recommendations follow the natural and orderly development of Franklin County which has taken place over the past five years and these recommendations should be considered an extension of the growth which has already started."

In a companion 23-page report, Knott says, "I sincerely believe that the Franklin County Planning Board can and will play a large role in the improvement and growth of our county in the years to come." He says it will be necessary for the Planning Board and the Board of County Commissioners "to work closely together."

Knott made several recommendations of his own in his report, most dealing with the organization and operational procedures of the Planning

Board itself. He suggested regular monthly meetings and pointed out the necessity of all members attending and he said the Board should "take necessary steps to employ an Administrative Officer" who would keep the records. He also called on the Board to prepare and present an annual budget to the Commissioners.

He also suggested that the Board look into the problem of housing in the county and work closely with the Industrial Development Commission.

Most important of the Knott recommendations, however, appears to be the suggestion that "In the next ten years, there should be a plan formed to connect the water lines between all the towns in the county." Playgrounds, parks and recreational facilities were also suggested as an area to be looked into by the Board.

Knott announced that copies of the full report are available in his office for those people interested in the Planning Board report. The supply is limited, he said, but it is open to the public for inspection in the Clerk's office.

## Adult Education Program Set

The adult citizens of Franklin County are being offered the opportunity to complete their high school education through a program co-sponsored by the Franklin County Board of Education and Nash Technical Institute. This program, approved by the State Board of Education, is known as the Adult High School Diploma program. The purpose of this cooperative program is to provide testing, guidance and instruction which will enable the adult student to complete the requirements for and be awarded an Adult High School Diploma by a local board of education. Classes are held during the evening hours, generally two nights per week.

An Organizational meeting will be held at the Louisburg Elementary School cafeteria Thursday night, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. A representative from Nash Technical Institute and local school officials will explain the program and register those interested in enrolling. Classes are scheduled to begin as soon as there is sufficient enrollment.

This accelerated high school program includes instruction in English, mathematics, science and social studies through the use of programmed in-

structional materials. Adults work individually in these self-instructional materials which are specifically designed for adults. This approach allows for more individualized instruction, faster progress in learning and a wider range of subject matter.

Adult students are given placement tests prior to their enrollment in the program to determine the appropriate grade level in which they should begin.

Upon successful completion of the required course materials and a minimum of 150 hours of instruction, a standardized achievement test is given to determine the eligibility for the Adult High School Diploma.

Persons interested in learning more about the opportunities in the Adult Education Program should attend this meeting Thursday night, November 20, at 7:00 p.m.

## Franklinton Christmas Parade Set For Dec. 4th

The Franklinton Christmas Parade will be held this year on Thursday night, December 4, according to an announcement today by E. L. Moore, President, Franklinton Chamber of Commerce. The popular Franklinton event will be staged at 7 P.M. along Main Street.

Moore requested persons interested in entering a float or other entry to contact the Chamber at P. O. Box 326, Franklinton. He said that decorated bicycles and pets will be used in the

parade and asked those interested in this section to call 494-2622 or 494-7353. Prizes will be awarded winners in the parade, Moore stated.

Judging of home decorations will take place December 22 and prizes will be awarded in this division, Moore said.

Judging of homes and parade entries will be done by members of the Women's Club and the Garden Club, according to the announcement.

## District Court Docket

The following cases were disposed of in District Court Monday, November 10:

Charles Burnell Dodrill, w/m/44, driving under influence. 5 months in jail, suspended for 2 years on payment of costs, \$250.00 fine; not to be found guilty of any crime involving alcohol

## Franklinton Group In Work Shop

Eleven Franklinton residents, representing various community groups, completed a four-session workshop devoted to learning methods and procedures in identifying and seeking solutions to community conditions and problems which may contribute to mental and emotional disturbances. The theme of the workshop was "The Appropriateness of Preventive Activities in Community Mental Health Programs."

Dr. Wil Edgerton of the Franklin County Family Counseling and Education Center served as discussion leader with Mr. Talmadge Edwards, Jr. and Mrs. Gene Weston assisting with materials and arrangements.

Taking part in the workshop were: Mr. Raeford Bobbitt, Mr. Howard Bowling, Mrs. Rolline Stone, Mrs. Leah Haskins, Mrs. Annie Laurie Edwards, Miss Edith Jackson, Mrs. Ialeen Mode, Mrs. Ruth Pearce, Rev. Earl Richardson, Mrs. Betty Timberlake and Mrs. Gene Weston.

for 2 years, surrender his operator's license for 12 months.

William Glen Hockaday, n/in/30, speeding. \$15.00 fine and costs.

Ben Junior Crudup, c/m/18, injury to personal property. 3 months in jail, suspended for 1 year; defendant to pay costs and \$300.00 for use and benefit of C. A. Hill, to be paid today. Within 30 days, defendant to pay \$46.41 for use and benefit of C. A. Hill and \$25.00 fine and costs; not to be found guilty of malicious damage to personal property during suspension.

Michael Louis Batton, w/m/18, speeding. Prayer for judgment continued on payment of \$15.00 fine and costs.

John Kearney, n/m/31, driving under influence (2nd offense). 5 months in jail, suspended for 2 years on payment of \$200.00 fine and costs; not to be found guilty of any crime during suspension involving alcohol; that he surrender his operator's license and not operate a motor vehicle for 12 months.

Robert Alexander, no operator's license; improper registration; no in-

## Convicted

Charles Raymond Cannady of Route 1, Youngsville was convicted Tuesday in Wake Superior Court in Raleigh of larceny of a credit card belonging to W. E. Ellington.

Judge James H. Pou Bailey sentenced Cannady to one year in prison but suspended the sentence and placed Cannady on probation for two years on condition he pay court costs.

insurance. 3 months in jail, suspended for 12 months on payment of costs and a fine of \$100.00; not to be found guilty of any of the offenses herein charged during the period of suspension.

William Otho Frazier, w/m/41, driving under influence. To surrender his operator's license for 12 months and not operate a motor vehicle for 12 months; to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs.

J. T. Huff, w/m, public drunkenness (2nd offense). Not less than 30 days nor more than 6 months in custody of Commr. of Corrections.

Owen Eaton, c/m/70, public drunkenness (2nd offense). Not less than 30 days nor more than 6 months in custody of Commr. of Corrections.

Joe Green, assault. 10 days in jail, suspended for 1 year on payment of \$15.00 fine and costs; not to be found guilty of any crime involving assault during suspension; that he not go on the grounds of any public school of Franklin County during school hours.

Robert Hardy, n/m/45, speeding; fail to stop for blue light and siren; no operator's license. (2 cases) 4 months in jail, suspended for 1 year on pay-

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## Named

C. W. Strother, County Tax Supervisor, announced today that Mrs. Margaret Hardy has been named Deputy Tax Collector for the Franklinton Township. Tax collections will resume at the town office Thursday and Friday afternoons from 1:30 to 5:30 and on Saturday thru November from 9 to 5.

## At Warrenton Friday Bulldogs Face Weldon In Playoffs

It's H-minus a few hours and counting for Louisburg's battling Bulldogs. For the first time in the 12-year history of the local football program, the Franklin Area Conference champs move into the State Class A playoffs against Weldon Friday night. The game will be played at John Graham High School in Warrenton.

A capacity crowd of Bulldog backers is expected to be on hand as Coach Tommy Twitty sends his charges onto the field against the No. 2 rated team in the state. Louisburg is 8-2 for the season; Weldon is 9-1. Game time is 8 P.M.

Complete details of the match-up may be found on page 6.

## Telephone Company Begins Improvements, Expansion Here

Improvement and expansion of the Louisburg telephone exchange is now underway.

Howard Pitts, local manager for Carolina Telephone, said today that a \$61,000 program is in progress to expand the company's central office equipment here.

Included in the project will be installation of equipment to provide facilities to serve 525 new telephones for subscribers in this area, will make possible service to new subscribers, and will permit better grades of service to present subscribers.

Pitts said that the growth of Louis-

burg in recent years has brought about an increased demand for telephone service. This demand has taxed the capacity of present equipment.

Telephones in this area have increased from 1,700 to more than 3,200 in the past ten years.

"The construction program here is in keeping with Carolina Telephone's continuing program to fulfill the telephone needs of the communities it serves," he pointed out.

Pitts said, "The new improvement and expansion program at Louisburg was engineered to allow for telephone growth in the future."



## A Good Sign

Workmen are shown above erecting a very promising sign here at the northern edge of the town limits Wednesday. The sign tells that work is about to get underway on the long delayed NC-39 project from Louisburg to Ingleside. The short section from the town limits to the intersection of Main Street with Bickett Blvd. is slated for curb and gutter work along with resurfacing. NC-39 is scheduled for improvements for a 4 1/2 mile stretch initially and eventually to be improved to the Vance County line.