

ASKS GOVERNOR'S HELP

Holden Board Wants CRC To Justify Setback Rules

Holden Beach Commissioners on Wednesday voted to ask the governor to intervene in the proposed adoption by the Coastal Resources Commission of regulations governing construction along estuarine waters.

The regulations are scheduled for final consideration by the CRC at its meeting today (Thursday) and Friday in Kill Devil Hills. The intent of the regulations would be to help protect estuarine waters from storm-water runoff.

In a letter to Gov. James Martin signed by Mayor John H. Tandy, the town requests Martin ask the CRC to delay adoption until "after the benefits of the regulations are proven according to the new requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act."

The mayor suggests in the letter that "there is growing sentiment" that the push to adopt the new regulations in December is an attempt to avoid the requirements, which go into effect Jan. 1.

Tandy also writes of the town's concern that CRC members and staff "do not fully realize the impact" of their proposals.

For instance, Building Inspector Dwight Carroll calculates the regulations would affect (but not necessarily prohibit) development of 1,246 lots at Holden Beach, 659 of which are undeveloped.

Earlier, a CRC staff member had estimated that at least 100 lots in the county would be affected.

The regulations, writes Tandy, "may limit severely

future development in certain areas and thus may have a disastrous effect upon the tax base.

"While we agree in spirit with the purpose of these regulations, we must question whether they are ready for adoption."

Both the county planning board and board of commissioners have approved similar letters.

CRC spokeswoman Kathy Henderson said that the strongest opposition to the proposals has come from Brunswick and Dare counties. They happen to be the two fastest-growing counties in the state.

Also on the CRC agenda this month are public hearings on the revised civil penalty assessment schedule and changes in oceanfront construction standards to

make them consistent with new building code requirements that take effect Jan. 1.

Plan On Agenda

The Holden Beach and Caswell Beach land use plan updates, draft revisions of the rule for piers in man-made canals and draft marina standards are slated for committee discussion, as are updates on the study of expanding the estuarine area of environmental concern, peat mining, enforcement actions and 1985 beach access grants. Ocean Isle Beach will receive a beach access grant, of a sum yet to be announced.

The sessions begin at 9 a.m. both days in the Holiday Inn in Hill Devil Hills. They are open to the public.



Students Attend Library Conference

West Brunswick High School Library Club members (from left) Kristy Abshire, president; Robert Bellamy and Anna Hill recently represented Brunswick County

at the N. C. High School Library Association Conference in Fayetteville. They were accompanied by club advisor Jim Price.

Social Services Food Distribution Scheduled For December

Just in time for the holidays, the Brunswick County Department of Social Services will distribute surplus food commodities Dec. 13 and 14 to as many as 1,800 households.

To be distributed are butter, flour, cornmeal, rice, honey, dry milk and processed American cheese, indicated DSS Director Jamie Orrock and Food Stamp Supervisor Sandy Jackson.

These commodities will be available on a first-come, first-serve

basis to Food Stamp and other qualifying households from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Dec. 13 and from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Dec. 14.

Each participating household will be required to complete an application form and to have with them their Food Stamp authorization card.

Households not receiving food stamps can qualify if they meet the income guidelines.

Food Stamp households must bring their authorization card (not the green identification card).

If a family's head of household cannot come to the distribution center, he or she may send someone else. However, said Orrock, the person must have a written statement authorizing them to apply on the client's behalf, stating the family's income and the number of people who live in the home.

Individuals with questions about the program are asked to contact Jackson or Orrock at the Brunswick County Department of Social Services at 253-4391.

Sales To Buy Band Uniforms

Citrus fruit sales and a yard sale will help the South Brunswick High School band raise the \$11,000 it needs for new uniforms.

The yard sale will be held Saturday, Dec. 14, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria at Boiling Spring Lakes, said Jeannie Prince,

chairman. Individuals with items to donate to the sale may deliver them to the school between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13, or they can call Ms. Prince at 845-2697 to make other arrangements.

Band supporters can also order a variety of citrus fruits. Fruit sale coordinator Catherine Hinson of

Bolivia said oranges, tangelos and grapefruits are available. To order or for more information, call her at 253-5172 anytime.

The \$11,000 is needed to pay off the balance owed on the new uniforms, which band members wore in the Shallotte Christmas Parade. The old uniforms were 13 years old.

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