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NCNB Corporation presented a check for \$500 Tuesday afternoon to the West Brunswick Branch Library. NCNB annually makes donations to selected libraries, a bank spokesperson said. At the check presentation are, from left, Felecia Hardy, children's librarian; Dianne

Fischer, NCNB representative in Shallotte; Reecie Taylor, library director; and Yvonne Barnes, library assistant. The donation will be used to pay for the sign recently erected in front of the library.

Contractor, Developer Claim Breach Of Contract

A man hired to clear land for The Pearl Golf Links and the course developer, Odell Williamson, are each suing the other, claiming breach of contract.

William Earl Benton of Thomasboro filed a complaint in Brunswick County District Court on Sept. 30. He alleged that after working for 14 days on the site, he was ordered off the property, was refused an opportunity to complete the job and was not paid for work completed.

He had been hired to clear land for rotovation of a 36-hole golf course. In the complaint he says the course developers owe his business \$12,410 for work completed as well as \$40,000 in lost profits.

In his answer filed on Nov. 6, Williamson, an Ocean Isle Beach developer, said Benton "cut the pulpwood, sold it, and then quit."

Further, he says Benton didn't have the proper equipment to do the job and "only halfway cleared eight acres."

"When we talked to him trying to

get him to go on and finish the job using the proper and necessary equipment, he refused and left," the complaint continues.

In his countersuit, filed Oct. 30, Williamson alleges that the contractor went outside the designated work area and cut additional pulpwood.

He claims it was Benton who breached the contract and that Benton owes \$10,000 in damages to The Pearl Golf Links Inc. He asks that Benton's complaint be dismissed with prejudice and that the company also collect court costs.

A written contract attached to the initial suit indicates that Benton was to clear the designated land for \$500 per acre and to get the pulpwood off the land at no expense to the golf course, to remove and burn stumps and debris from the edges of the lakes bordering the fairway, and to burn trash on already cleared fields.

Williamson alleges there were conditions not stipulated in the written contract as well, including a 90-day completion date and \$50 per acre for

the pulpwood.

Williamson is president of The Pearl Golf Links Inc. Tripp Sloane, also an Ocean Isle Beach developer, is secretary.

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