

Land Use Plan Changes Considered

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dustry that would be detrimental to our development as a tourism and retirement area."

The policy statements will be used as guidelines for more specific actions or regulations to be adopted by the town board. "That way," said Harbeck, "you have the basis for a decision other than what looks good that day."

And while the CRC likes specifics, he added, "A lot of towns like to be deliberately vague. That is your option too."

Public boating access along the Shallotte River was a top priority in the 1981 plan, but Monday night the show of hands was 6-4 over whether that to include it in the new plan. The town decided to investigate the feasibility of a public ramp.

While desirable in theory, there were questions about its practicality. "Is there anywhere we can put a boat launch in town that wouldn't be a public nuisance?" asked Alderman Wilton Harrelson.

A consensus was clear for a more positive policy regarding agricultural land use in town and for the desirability of preserving the turn-of-the-century Sunnyside School, moved by the town in the early 1970s to its existing location in Shallotte Park. Said Planning Board member Jack Harrison, "It's something that definitely needs to be addressed. It could be a community project."

As for a preservation policy regarding other historic structures, Planning Board member "Sonny" Stalaland noted, "It's too little and too late. Most of them have already been torn down."

In the 1981 plan, numerous references were made to plans to revise the town's zoning ordinance. Many of the statements were very vague, said Harbeck, and many of them also were never made. Members of both town boards agreed a major review and updating of the ordinances are needed.

Harbeck will use the material gleaned Monday in writing a first draft of the update for the boards' inspection.

At an earlier meeting the two boards set top priorities in terms of growth issues affecting the town. At the top of the list with ratings of "3" were the following: traffic on U.S. 17; traffic at the post office; need for a larger sewer system capacity; inappropriate mixing of various land uses; getting on and off of U.S. 17 in the business district; surface runoff to the Shallotte River and development conflicts along the river; inadequacies of the zoning ordinance; lack of year-round jobs and industry; need to square town boundaries; and poor traffic circulation due to street patterns.

Completion of the Shallotte bypass is expected to relieve some traffic and parking problems and to redirect expansion toward the west rather than in a strip along Main Street. The boards decide to eliminate from the revision as unnecessary earlier policies that encouraged new streets parallel to U.S. 17 and "compact" development where services could be readily provided.



FOURTEEN members of the South Brunswick Islands Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Monday endorsed the Shallotte Bypass location proposed for a rest/information center.

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Landowners Not Begging For Water

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repeated use. The fund was established with a \$1.5 million budget allocation in the 1986-87 budget.

Relief for individual hardship cases can be sought from the county commissioners, Gore said, but "that can't be the rule."

Elwood Lovett of Holiday Ranches said the group that would most benefit from the area getting water "is the real estate people" because they could recover their costs in the price of lots sold. Saying most Ranches property owners are not full-time residents and don't want the water, he suggested leaving the community out of the district.

The only speaker besides Feagan to support the proposal, Clement Moran, said sanitation conditions alone are sufficient to warrant the project.

District No. 1 consists of Holiday Acres, Holiday Ranches, Holiday Pines and G & H Potter subdivisions north of the Holden Beach Causeway. A majority of the 437 property owners are not full-time residents; most of these have not indicated in writing or otherwise whether they want to be assessed for county water service. They were mailed four-page preliminary notices of assessment earlier this month. Three have responded: one for the assessment project, one against and one simply asking

questions, said Harvey.

An adjoining subdivision, Barefoot Bay, has asked to be included in the district but can't be, said UOB member Alfonso Roach, because the process has already begun.

The district is one of seven areas targeted as the first to qualify for the program.

Density of housing, number of lots and proximity to a water main were among the factors used to set priorities among 28 areas candidates narrowed from an original list of 100 communities across the county considered "most deserving of a water system," indicated Planning Director John Harvey, staff coordinator for the utility board.

In the north Holden Beach area, he added, the water is needed. If all lots were developed at will, he said, in 10 years residents would be pumping salt water from the wells across the area, not just in isolated spots.

Projects have moved up on the priority list in the past week, with the decision by Sunset Beach to extend water service to the Seaside Station area of Seatrail, which was the No. 2 project listed. Now second is the grouping of Shangrila-Brunswick Shores in the Brick Landing area.

Said Chester Parrish of Brunswick Shores, "Send it on to Mr. (Marvin) Stanley and me. We'll pay the assessment fee and help dig the ditch."

Town Creek Sets Barbecue Dinner

The Town Creek Township Volunteer Rescue Squad will serve barbecue and chicken plates beginning at 11 a.m. March 21 at the rescue squad building.

The menu includes a choice of barbecue pork, cole slaw, candied yams and hushpuppies or fried chicken, potato salad, green beans and rolls.

Plates will sell for \$3 each. Proceeds will benefit the rescue squad.

Correction

It was Associate Extension Agent Billy Privette, not Billy Barrow, who coordinated the Brunswick County Extension Service Big Buck contest covered in the March 5 issue of The Brunswick Beacon.

The Beacon apologizes for the error.

Underground Lines Talked

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underground lines are the aesthetics, lack of problems created by flooding like had occurred on Jan. 1, and less maintenance.

The town took no action on the matter, but asked Commissioner Hal Stanley to get a list of all the lots on the island so the town can get a figure on the cost of having the work done throughout the town.

According to Planning and Zoning Board Member Sid Swarts, the work is already being performed on about 99 lots on the west end of the island.

Other Business

In other business commissioners:

•Agreed to a request from James

Griffin for the board to ask the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to drop its easement back 30 feet in order for Griffin to build a subdivision between Jordan Boulevard, Brunswick Ave. and the Intracoastal Waterway.

•Discussed stepping up enforcement of ordinances that allow condemnation of debris on the beach left by the Jan. 1 high tides. This includes decks, stairs and bulkheads that are washed along the dunes.

•Changed their meeting time to 6:30 p.m. year-round. The board previously met at 6:30 p.m. November through March, and at 7:30 p.m. April through October.

Cooler Temperatures Expected

Slightly cooler temperatures and near normal rainfall are in the forecast.

According to Shallotte Point meteorologist Jackson Canady, temperatures should range from lows averaging in the upper 30s to highs averaging in the upper 50s, with about a half-inch of rain.

For the period of March 3-9, Canady recorded a maximum high temperature of 73 degrees on the 7th and a minimum low of 30 degrees on both the 5th and 6th.

A daily average low of 39 degrees combined with a daily average high

of 66 degrees, for an average daily temperature of 52 degrees.

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Board To Give Go-Ahead

State Board of Transportation members are expected to authorize right-of-way acquisition for the Shallotte bypass when it meets Friday in Raleigh.

The resolution will specify by reference the routing and limited access control plans for the project and direct the Department of Transportation's Right-Of-Way Branch to begin acquiring the right-of-way.

Several advance right-of-way acquisitions have previously been authorized by the board for the project, on which first-phase construction is expected to begin in September.

On the agenda are requests also for additional funds for two other major local projects.

The Department of Transportation is asking for \$150,000 for right-of-way acquisition and utilities for a high-rise bridge to Sunset Beach. Previously \$120,000 had been approved for preliminary engineering of the .90-mile facility across the Intracoastal Waterway. Of the latest request, \$120,000 would come from federal funds and \$30,000 from state funds.

Also sought is an additional \$50,000 for preliminary engineering on the four-laning of U.S. 17 from N.C. 211 north of Supply to N.C. 87 at Bell Swamp, a distance of 13.5 miles. Of the sum requested, \$37,500 would come from federal funds and \$12,500 from state funds. The board previously approved \$100,000 for preliminary engineering.

Advantages, Disadvantages

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weighed the advantages and disadvantages of a bypass site versus one closer to the state line before endorsing the current proposal.

If the local community must staff the center as proposed by DOT, said Redwine, the chamber appears to be a likely group to do it.

However, he is trying to obtain funds to hire state employees to staff this center and a similar one to be built farther up the coast near the Virginia state line. One potential source is a share of personal license tag revenues allocated to the N.C.

Department of Commerce for promotion of travel and tourism.

"One reason we're having so much trouble with this," Redwine said, "is the Division of Travel and Tourism doesn't think we will have that much traffic."

But if traffic is heavy, DOT has said the facility can be expanded.

Construction of the 4.2-mile bypass is to begin in September, but it won't be completed until 1990. The project is part of the 30.6-mile four-laning of U.S. 17 through Brunswick County to the South Carolina line.



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