

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL from Town Creek Rescue and Bolivia Fire Department attend to the

driver of the truck, Ernest Locklear of Red Springs, who was charged with driving left of center.

Accidents Claim Three

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then hit a 1984 Chevrolet truck parked on the shoulder of U.S. 17.

Bell and two persons in the parked truck, Warren Lee Knox, 54, and Sarah Knox, 39, both of Bolivia, were injured and taken to the Brunswick Hospital in Supply.

Bell's truck then crashed into a tent occupied by the Brunswick County Shrine Club fish fry, Lewis reported.

Damages were estimated at \$10,000 to the Walsh car, \$2,000 to the Bell truck and \$1,000 to the Knox vehicle in the 4:50 p.m. accident.

In Saturday's head-on collision, the victim, Willie Bryan, was driving on the wrong side of the four-laned U.S. 74 two miles west of Belville when his 1987 Isuzu collided with a 1983 Lincoln driven by Blondell Jounious of

According to Lewis' report, Ms. Jounious was traveling east behind another vehicle when the Bryan car Journous swerved into the left lane to avoid the Bryan car, but pulled in front of a tractor-trailer driven by Michael Arrens, 44, of Florence, S.C.

Ms. Jounious' car struck the Bryan car head-on, Lewis reported, and then collided with the rear of the ed a load of rocks. tractor-trailer.

Ms. Jounious was seriously injured and taken to New Hanover Memorial Hospital in Wilmington. No charges were filed in the 10:05 p.m. accident.

Damage was estimated at \$10,000 to the Jounious vehicle, \$7,500 to the Bryan vehicle and \$200 to the Arrens

Two persons were seriously injured in another head-on collision last Thursday on U.S. 17 nine miles north of Shallotte.

According to Trooper L.M. Richardson's report, the accident occurred when a 1973 Mack truck driven by Ernest Locklear, 28, of Red Springs, swerved acress the center

approached. The car ahead of Ms. line to avoid a line of traffic and struck a 1980 Buick driven by Dorothy Gore Johnson, 39, of Longwood.

Locklear was charged with driving left of center. His truck came to rest on its side in the ditch, where it spill-

Both drivers were taken to the Brunswick Hospital in Supply with serious injuries.

Damage was estimated at \$10,000 to the Locklear truck and \$3,500 to the Johnson car in the 9 a.m. accident.

The two deaths bring Brunswick County's total to 13 highway fatalities for the year to date, said Ms. Oakley of the Highway Patrol.

A year ago there had been 12 fatalities by the end of August.

"Last Friday, on one day alone, we had 33 accidents in both New Hanover and Brunswick counties.' Ms. Oakley said. "We've had nothing but bad luck this week."

Commissioners-

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ex-officio member of the UOB, was out of town Monday. Chairperson Grace Beasley said Rabon had "expressed a desire to be heard" on the matter before commissioners vote on the UOB recommendation.

At the UOB meeting last week, members voted unanimously to ask the county to use contingency funds to pay for the Lockwood Folly water line rather than to assess property owners living along the 1.5-mile

At that meeting, Rabon said the county cannot get into the habit of running water lines without assessments unless it is "economically feasible" to do so. The Lockwood Felly line will be paid for through water sales within two years of opening of the subdivision, the developers said.

The line will run down Sabbath Home Church Road and Stone Chimney Road to the development on the Lockwood Folly River. About 50 property owners would be assessed \$3 per linear foot on each side of the road if assessments are mandated.

UOB members agreed to ask commissioners to pay for the line as an alternative to the county's policy of paying just 50 percent of the cost of the extension as earlier agreed upon.

In its recommendation, the UOB states this project "is of such importance to the county it should be treated like a new industry, with the county paying 100 percent of the trunk main extension to their private road."

The recommendation, prepared by Planning Director John Harvey, also states the UOB strongly feels "this should not set a precedent and that there can be no free rides on water lines, and assessments have to be the

Harvey said the Sea Aire Canal subdivision was one of 28 out of 100 requests listed as high priority last year by the UOB to receive county water.

The subdivision has 22 homes and 37 lots, with mostly year-round residents, Justice said.

"I don't know of anyone who would not take county water if it is made. available," he added.

This is the second time commissioners have been asked to vote on the Lockwood Folly water line extension. Commission Chairperson Beasley said the UOB was asked to review its recommendation after commissioners felt the project "was taken to a certain degree out of priority."

"I wish I had the power today to run water to every area in Brunswick County that needs water," added Commissioner Chris Chappell.

Other Business

In other business Monday, commissioners:

·Heard from Noah Miller of Coastal Retreat, who asked for adoption of a new subdivision ordinance requiring developers to meet state standards when developing roads. Chappell said he was to meet with the planning board Wednesday night to help draft a plan which will be presented to the state.

. Voted to advertise for bids for a computer system at the register of deeds' office.

·Entered into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss attorney-client matters, with no action taken after-

 Approved a request from Darry Sommersett, director of operation services, to improve the drainage at Carolina Shores North by digging a 3,000-foot-long ditch to drain through the Caw Caw drainage district. Sommersett said it will take at least a month to receive permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers before the work can begin. More than 270 residents of Carolina Shores North have signed a petition asking for drainage, he said. "It is a really needed project," Sommersett added.

Commissioners May Hire County Manager Tonight

BY TERRY POPE

Brunswick County Sheriff John Carr Davis has completed the background checks on two candidates for the county manager's job.

Davis was scheduled to present the reports to county commissioners at Monday's meeting. However, the board delayed Davis' presentation until tonight (Thursday), saying it wanted to wait until Commissioner Frankie Rabon returned from an outof-town trip.

On Aug. 7, commissioners requested the backgound checks on their top two applicants so the board could get a better picture of the candidates before hiring one.

It will be the second time the board has filled the position since the April 1 resignation of Billy Carter, who left the post for medical reasons after serving eight years.

Carter addressed a letter to commissioners Monday that Chairperson Grace Beasley read to the board. Dated Aug. 7, the letter stated that Carter's agreement to act as consultant with the county on budget and other matters has been terminated.

Following Carter's resignation as county manager, the board hired M. Thomas Barnes of Halifax County on June 15. Commissioners asked him to resign on June 22, after learning that State Bureau of Investigation agents had checked into allegations that Barnes had produced altered minutes of board meetings while ser-

ving as Halifax County administrator.

No charges were ever brought against Barnes. Commissioners stated they asked for his resignation because Barnes had not mentioned the SBI investigation during an interview session with the board.

In other business Monday, commissioners also delayed making board appointments until Thursday's meeting.

It also heard from Boyd Williamson of the Leland Sanitary District Board of Directors, who said contractors have ordered the material to begin laying water lines in the Leland area.

It will take nine months to complete the project, Williamson said. Lines will extend from the Eastbrook community down Lanvale Road, Old Fayetteville Road and N.C. 133 beyond Olde Towne.

The project is scheduled to be completed in six phases, with a new phase to undergo testing and flushing every six weeks, he said.

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Shallotte Point during the period of Aug. 11-17, reports meteorologist Jackson Canady, well above the average.

Over the next few days, however, degrees, which occurred on the 14th. he expects both temperatures and per 80s during the daytime, he said, degree below normal.

A hefty 4.75 inches of rain fell at with about three-quarter inches of rainfall.

Also for the period Aug. 11-17, Canady recorded a maximum high of 91 degrees, which occurred on on the 17th, and a minimum low of 67

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