

# Improved Training, Internal Control Needed To Limit CAMA Violations

BY DOUG RUTTER

Holden Beach officials say the state should improve training and increase certification standards for local Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) permit officers in an effort to limit violations of coastal management rules.

Town commissioners also believe the joint duties of building inspector and CAMA permit officer should be separated to provide better internal control and reduce the risk of errors.

Commissioners voted unanimously Monday night to send both recommendations to the N.C. Division of Coastal Management in light of the recent discovery of a setback violation at an oceanfront office building.

A Holden Beach committee found last month that the town permitted Coastal Development and Realty to build its office too close to the beach. The building at 131 Ocean Blvd. West exceeds 5,000 square feet, and therefore should have been set back 120 feet from the oceanfront dune instead of 60 feet.

The town sent the committee's findings to the state agency's Wilmington office three weeks ago, and Town Manager Gus Ulrich said no response had been received as of Monday.

Besides asking the town to investigate the building, Coastal Management officials also wanted the town to take steps to prevent similar violations from occurring in the future.

Town officials say the two recommendations approved Monday should help. Commissioner Jim Fournier said if state officials don't like the suggestions, the town can tell the state to do its own inspections.

Currently, one person handles the duties of building inspector and local CAMA permit officer.

Commissioners want to change that so two people "sign off" on each building project. One person would review compliance with building and zoning regulations, and the other would deal with coastal management rules.

Commissioner Dwight Carroll, who was building inspector and local permit officer when Coastal Development was constructed in 1992, said previously there was no intent to violate the rules.

Carroll called the setback violation a "goof" following the release of the committee's report on May 16.

However, Commissioner David Sandifer indicated Monday that Carroll was aware of the 120-foot setback requirement long before the Coastal Development office was constructed.

Sandifer, who works in the real estate business, said Carroll gave him a document, with the 120-foot setback requirement highlighted, two years before the Coastal Development office was built.

"There's no question the knowledge was there. The question is why was it not done?" Sandifer said.

Carroll did not respond to Sandifer's charge, but suggested Monday that all CAMA permits include wording to the effect that buildings over 5,000 square feet must meet the more restrictive setback requirement.

"It's not written on there now. That would be the whole solution," Carroll said.

In addition to the oceanfront setback violation, the Brunswick County Health Department has been looking into alleged septic system violations at Coastal Development.

Town commissioners said Monday they want health department officials to notify the town whenever they investigate possible violations on the island.

Ulrich was asked to draft a letter to the county health department and have it ready for approval at the June 22 meeting.

#### Other Business

In other business Monday, commissioners:

■ Voted 4-1 to extend the sidewalk along Ocean Boulevard West

from Rothschild Street to Jordan Boulevard. Sandifer opposed the plan, saying the town should try to re-route walkers and bicyclers along Brunswick Avenue and keep them away from the bridge.

■ Agreed to spend between \$2,500 and \$3,000 for improvements at the new recycling station. Ulrich said about \$1,700 is needed to place marl on the area and the rest will be used to build a shelter for the part-time employee who oversees the operation.

■ Denied a property owner's request to park in the street right of way adjacent to 202 Hillside Drive.

Town officials said there is enough room to park in the yard. The town board earlier granted permission for a neighboring homeowner to park in the street right of way.

■ Met Monday morning to discuss the 1994-95 proposed budget. The board will reconvene the meeting next Monday, June 13, at 8 a.m.

■ Heard from Ulrich that the town has changed its plans to install a beach access ramp for handicapped people at Jordan Boulevard. Ulrich said the condition of the beach in that location is not suitable for a long ramp. He is looking into other alternatives.

## South Brunswick Authority Meeting Two Weeks In Row

Members of the South Brunswick Water and Sewer Authority will meet today (Thursday) and next Thursday, June 16, at the Maples Clubhouse at Sea Trail Plantation.

Both meetings will begin at 7 p.m. in the Egret Room, said consulting engineer Joe Tombro of Piedmont Olsen and Associates, the firm serving as temporary administrator of the authority.

Today's meeting is rescheduled from May, while next week's meeting is the authority's regular June meeting.

Tombro said members will deal with organizational documents for the authority as well as financial and environmental paperwork relating to applications for two state grants to

help underwrite the cost of the sewer system.

Both meetings are open to the public.

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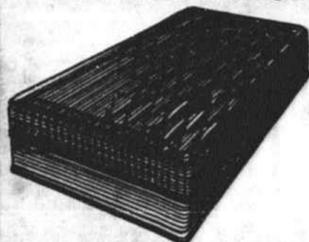
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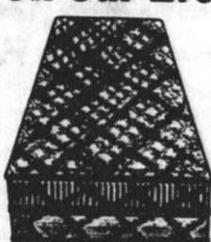
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