

Holden Joins Neighbor Seeking Restrictions On Menhaden Boats

BY DOUG RUTTER

Holden Beach officials will ask the state to restrict menhaden fishing off the Brunswick County coast in an effort to lower the risk of unsightly fish spills on the strand.

Town commissioners voted unanimously Tuesday night to send a letter to the N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission asking the state panel to limit how close menhaden fishing boats can come to the beach.

Holden Beach board members want restrictions identical to those already in place in Dare County, where working menhaden boats must stay at least 1/2 nautical miles offshore between May 1 and Sept. 30 of each year.

From Oct. 1 through Dec. 31, menhaden boats must remain one-half nautical mile off the Dare County coast.

Holden Beach was the site of one of several local fish spills attributed

to menhaden boats last year. There were several other spills at Long Beach and officials there are spearheading a local effort to impose restrictions on the fishery.

In a July 1 letter, Long Beach Town Manager Jerry Walters seeks Holden Beach's support in seeking regulations on menhaden fishing boats in Brunswick County coastal waters.

The Long Beach Town Council asked its staff last month to contact other coastal communities in the county and seek support for restrictions on menhaden boats.

Long Beach officials have suggested local towns push for the same rules used in Dare County, according to Walters' letter, and the council is expected to take action at its July 19 meeting.

Walters indicated in the letter that the N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission could consider the request at its Aug. 26 meeting.

"Do we have any input from the menhaden people? Do we have any idea what we're doing to them? They have to make a living," Holden Beach Commissioner Jim Fournier said Tuesday.

"The concern is we were having the fish end up on the beach. That happened last year," Mayor Gay Atkins said.

Eight Appointed

Town commissioners made four appointments to the planning and zoning board and four appointments to the board of adjustment Tuesday night.

Re-appointed to the planning board were regular members Roger Williams and Johnny Craig for three-year terms and alternates Myra Burke and Leonard Froehlich for one year. There were no other nominees for any of the seats.

On the board of adjustment, commissioners voted unanimously to appoint Jack Vorndran to a three-year

term as alternate.

The board voted 4-1 to appoint Ed Weller to the regular seat previously held by Crawford Hart. Commissioner David Sandifer voted for Hart.

On a 3-2 vote, Jim Hartman was named to fill the regular seat previously held by Allan Dameron, who was not eligible for re-appointment. Commissioners Fournier, Dwight Carroll and Marlaine Thomas voted for Hartman, while Sid Swarts and Sandifer voted in favor of Diane Clark.

Fournier, Carroll and Thomas also voted to appoint Dan Harmon to the alternate seat occupied by Thomas before her appointment to the board of commissioners. Swarts and Sandifer again voted in favor of Clark.

Sewer Report

Jim Griffin, a member of the Holden Beach sewer fact-finding committee, was scheduled to give a

report to the town board Tuesday night but could not attend the meeting.

Commissioners said they want to set up a special workshop to meet with the committee members and discuss their findings.

The town board also is interested in meeting with the planning and zoning board to discuss ways of controlling density on the island. Dates were not set for either meeting.

Parking Lot Lights

Also Tuesday, commissioners

continued to discuss lighting at the public parking lot under Holden Beach Bridge but came to no consensus on whether or how it should be changed.

There are 10 100-watt street lights in the parking lot now. Some town board members say the area can be illuminated better and at a lower cost to the town.

Town Manager Gus Ulrich was asked to come to the July 20 meeting with several alternatives for the board's consideration.

STEVENS GOING TO GOLDSBORO

West Basketball Coach Submits Resignation

BY DOUG RUTTER

Charlie Stevens, the head boys' basketball coach at West Brunswick High School, resigned effective Tuesday to take over the basketball program at Goldsboro High School.

Stevens is leaving West Brunswick after one season to return to the Mideastern 4A Conference, where he coached from 1988 to 1992 at Eastern Wayne High School.

"It's a 4A school and it's one of the top five or six basketball jobs in the state," Stevens said of Goldsboro. "It's an opportunity I just couldn't pass up."

Last season under Stevens, West

Brunswick's boys finished fourth in the Waccamaw 2A/3A Conference with a 5-7 record. The Trojans were 10-16 overall and advanced to the second round of the state 3A playoffs.

Stevens said he wasn't unhappy at West Brunswick, but couldn't turn down a job that he thinks is the best in North Carolina.

"Every job I've ever taken I've always said if the Goldsboro job opened up I would take it," Stevens said Tuesday. "I didn't think I would get it, but I was fortunate enough to get it."

Stevens said the fact that he has

worked in the Goldsboro area before and owns a residence there were major factors in his decision. "It's like going home really," he said.

"Basketball is a sport that people in Goldsboro love," Stevens added. "There are people in Goldsboro who haven't missed a game in 13 years. There's a man there who hasn't missed a game in 20 years, home or away. Basketball there is what football is here."

Stevens said he's walking away from a West Brunswick basketball team that has a legitimate shot at winning a state championship in the next few years.

"They're going to be real good next year, and the year after that I think West Brunswick will have a great shot at winning a state championship. I'm walking away from a great basketball team," he said.

"I'm very appreciative to the Brunswick County people, Mr. (Ed) Lemon and the school administration, for allowing me the opportunity to coach here. I think the program's in good shape here and ready to take off."

Lemon, the West Brunswick principal, could not be reached for comment Tuesday afternoon.

Third-Quarter USDA Foods Distribution Set July 22-23

Brunswick County's Volunteer and Information Center will make its third-quarter distribution of U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities July 22 and 23 at Republican Headquarters in Supply.

The distribution site will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Friday; on Saturday, it will open at 9 and remain open until the food supply is exhausted.

Tentative allocations for this quarter include corn meal, apple sauce, fruit cocktail, orange juice, peaches, peanut butter, raisins, rice, apple juice, butter, green beans and pears.

The commodities program is intended only as a quarterly supplement to other available services within the county, said VIC spokesman Angela Fisher. The food supply is divided among all counties, and "there are no guarantees that there will be enough of the above-mentioned foods to supply everyone eligible for this program," she added.

Food is distributed on a first-come, first-served basis; once all foods are given out, there will be no more available until the fourth quarter.

How To Qualify

All food stamp households must bring their white commodity authorization card and their green identification card. The white cards should have been delivered by mail by July 5. A household is considered a food stamp household if it received food stamps during June.

For non-food stamp households, the person applying must appear in person and assist the qualifying agent in completing a self-declaration form.

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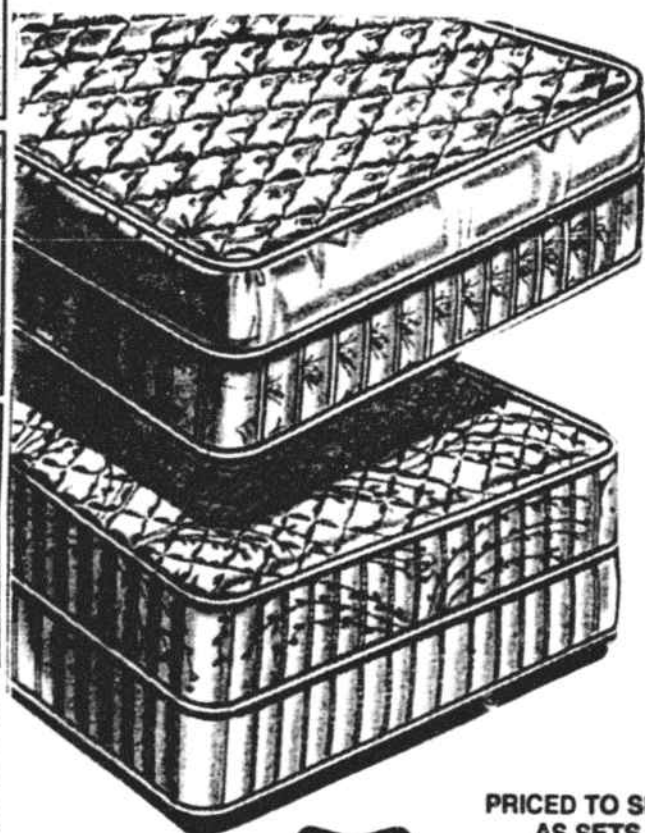
hold, and the head of the household who is named on the face of the card is unable to appear in person to pick up the food, the following procedure should be followed: sign the card on the reserve side above the lightly shaded gray block and, on the lines to the left of your signature, put the name or names of the person authorized to pick up the food.

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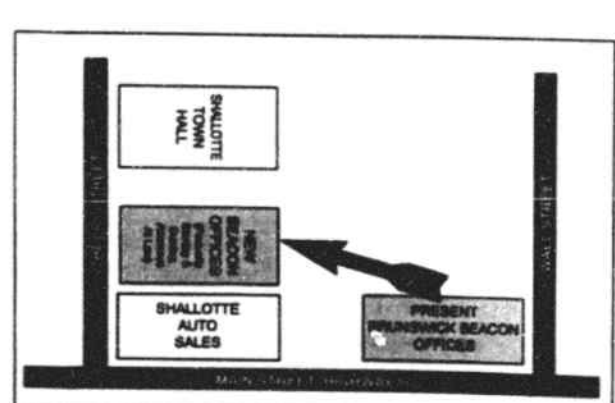
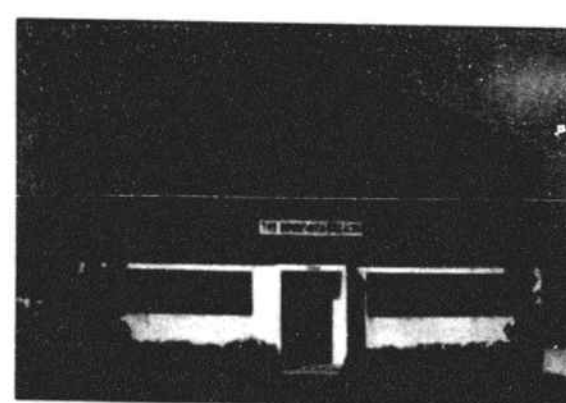
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