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Secondary road improvements discussed at public hearing

Residents ask for priority changes

By JANE WILLIAMS
Several county delegations were present Thursday to request changes in priority

projects slated by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (N.C.D.O.T.) when the Perquimans County

Commissioners met with area N. C. D. O. T. officials during a public hearing to discuss secondary road improvement

projects for the county. Approximately 30 county residents were on hand at the Perquimans County Courthouse

to request changes in priority projects set by the department for improvements on secondary roads in the county.

A delegation of property owners, led by Commissioner-Elect Thomas Nixon, requested that the Four-Mile Desert Road be placed as a top priority project for paving this year. Nixon told the gathering that the road was stabilized last year, and the property owners were given the impression that the project would be completed with paving this year.

The road was not listed by the N. C. D. O. T. as one of the 19 proposed road projects for Fiscal Year 1984-85.

Joe Nowell, Chairman of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners, told the group that "the road was programmed for and received stabilization last year, and was listed as our top priority for this year due to high rate of traffic usage on the road."

Changes in the schedule of

improvements must be brought to the N. C. D. O. T. by the County Commissioners in a special meeting. It is expected that the Commissioners will discuss priority changes during the July 16 meeting of the board.

Other requests for improvement consideration came from Wallace Smith for State Road number 1400 for spot stabilization; Dr. Joe Haskett for Matthews Beach Road, State Road 1391, for gravel coating; and Paul Gregory for State Roads 1301, 1363, and 1382, at Billy's Beach, for paving within the next two years.

State Road 1333, the Ernest Moore Road, was listed by the N. C. D. O. T. as the top priority project for the county, with base completion and paving to be completed at an estimated cost of \$50,000.

Highway Commissioner John Halstead told the group that Perquimans County had been allocated \$210,360 for road

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Planned secondary road improvements for the county include 19 projects for fiscal year 1984-85, and are shown here in the dark gray areas.

Baseball Clinic revives memories

By Mrs. J. EMMETT WINSLOW

The first Catfish Hunter Baseball Clinic, sponsored by Perquimans County Four-Hundredth Anniversary Committee, is bringing back baseball memories to people who have followed the national pastime through the years.

Mrs. Young Berry, whose husband played with the Hertford High School Northeastern championship team in 1915, has furnished a picture of that team. Pete Hunter, baseball coach for Perquimans High School, says that his teams also have winning ways.

In 1963, Perquimans won the state championship. Seven years running, 1973 to 1980, they won the Albemarle 2-A conference, and again in 1982 and 83. But it was Perquimans graduate, Jim Hunter, who put Hertford on the map, nationally and internationally.

Mrs. Emmett Winslow recalls that a desk clerk in a hotel in Jerusalem saw that Hertford was her home and immediately exclaimed "You are from Catfish Hunter's home town!"

While pitching in high school, Hunter pitched a perfect game, and later went on to pitch another for Kansas City A's,

later the Oakland A's.

His catcher in high school was Francis Combs, who, with his brother, Freddi, played college ball at North Carolina State University.

During his professional career, Hunter won the Cy Young Award which is given to honor Cy Young who won 511 games in his career, back at the turn of the century. Since returning home, Hunter has devoted much of his time to Little League and recreational baseball.

The clinic will be conducted on a professional basis in two sessions. The first will begin on July 16, at 9:00 a.m. and end July 17 at 5:00 p.m. The second will begin July 18 at 9:00 a.m. and end July 19 at 5:00 p.m. The boys will be supervised by a professional staff, with medical personnel in attendance. The fee for the two day camp is \$35, which includes a night's lodging and four meals, snacks, a Catfish Hunter T-shirt, a Four Hundredth Anniversary baseball cap, insurance and professional instruction.

Applications may be obtained by writing: Perquimans County Four Hundredth Anniversary Committee, P. O. Box 103, Hertford, N.C. 27944, or by calling: Anne Young, at (day) 426-5663, or (night) 426-5275.

Mother's outburst gets contempt charge

By MONICA ROACH
A mother's outburst during Perquimans County District Court last week had no effect on the sentence given to her son, but brought her a \$50.00 fine for

contempt of court. Sarah Flora was charged with contempt of court after a verbal outburst when her son, Adam Flora, was found guilty of trespassing and received a 30

day active sentence from the Honorable Judge John T. Chaffin.

An appeal by Adam Flora was noted.

In other cases heard during last week's session of District Court:

•Berth Sullivan Pickup and Douglas Eugene Pickup were granted a divorce.

•Victor Rydell Wilkins was found guilty of littering and was fined \$25 plus the cost of court. Wilkins was also ordered to pick-up bottles and cans under the supervision of Officer Spence for three hours.

•Larry Darnell Speller was found guilty of Driving While Impaired and was fined \$125 plus the cost of court. Speller was also given a 60 day suspended sentence for two years and unsupervised probation. In addition, Speller was ordered not to drive on the highways of the State of North Carolina until licensed to do so, and must perform 48 hours of community service. Speller must also pay any fees that are due.

•Rosetta Hardy was found guilty of trespassing and was given a 90 day suspended sentence for two years. Hardy was fined \$100 plus the cost of court and must not go on the premises of Brenda Woodard for two years or violate any laws for 12 months.

•William Stanley Johnson was found guilty of assault on a female and was fined \$100 plus the cost of court. Johnson was given a nine months suspended sentence for two years and must not assault Minnie Brown for two years. Also, Johnson must not violate any laws for 12 months.

•Neva Curles Moffitt was found guilty of failing to yield the

right of way and was fined \$50 plus the cost of court.

•Leon Webb, II plead not guilty to reckless driving, elude arrest, and fail to stop for a blue light, but was found guilty. The cases were consolidated. Webb was given a 12 months suspended sentence for two years and was

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Howell named to Board of Directors

L. Wayne Howell, owner of Beach Spring Farms, in Hertford, has been named to the Board of Directors of the 13,000-member North Carolina State University Alumni Association.

A 1963 graduate of the NCSU School of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Howell serves as chairman of the Perquimans Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee and as chairman of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina National Bank of Hertford. He is

also a director of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association and of the Albemarle Marketing Cooperative and is a past-president of the National Association of Farmer-Elected Committeemen.

Howell is chairman of the Perquimans County NCSU Alumni Loyalty Fund and has served as an area coordinator for the NCSU Alumni Loyalty Fund for several years.

He will take office as a director of the NCSU Alumni Association on July 1. Also taking office as directors then are Michael G. Bolton, Kathe S. Garrison and Louis E. Pucillo of Raleigh; Alfred A. Heartley of Greensboro; and William S. Lamm of LaGrange.

The NCSU Alumni Association raises funds to support academic programs at N.C. State. The organization's top priority is merit-based scholarships, foremost being the prestigious John T. Caldwell Alumni Scholarships. The Caldwell Alumni Scholarships provide \$3,000 per year for in-state students and \$4,500 per year for out-of-state students. In 1984-85 the Association will provide 87 merit-based scholarships for students studying at N.C. State.



L. WAYNE HOWELL



In 1915, 69 years ago — Hertford High School captured the baseball championship of Northeastern North Carolina. The outstanding team was manned by several outstanding players. Shown left to right were: Thach Everett, outfielder; J. Emmett Winslow (former State senator), outfielder; John

Ward (brother of the late Cliff Ward of Elizabeth City), third base; E. Young Berry (formerly associated with Perquimans ASCS office and prominent farmer, and father of Advance circulation employee), second base; Ashley Fleetwood, shortstop; Shelton Newbold (Rocky Mount insurance

executive), catcher; Carlton Cannon, (former grocer), left fielder; Thomas B. Sumner (truck line owner), pitcher; Herman Winslow, right fielder, and Dan Campen, first base. Coach was Louis R. Crawford, principal of the school (not shown).