

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING, JANUARY 9, 1975

As a result of a talk by Beacon House Drug Abuse Center representatives at the December meeting, the Board moved to send them a contribution.

Water rate increase was discussed, and townspeople were encouraged to visit the Town Hall to read the proposal posted there and to write letters, if they feel moved to do so, to the Attorney General's Office in Raleigh, sending copies of their letters to the Mayor in order that he can present a sheaf of letters with our case when it is handled for us by counsel February 27 in Raleigh.

Commissioner Dray read the report of the Planning Board and its project list, an impressive one. It includes:

1. A FIRE PROTECTION STUDY: a study to find out ways of reducing fire risks in the Town, their costs, and the effect on insurance rates.
2. STREET NUMBERING PROJECT
3. LOOKING INTO A COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSING FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN.
4. COMMERCIAL SIGN ORDINANCE
5. STUDY OF TOWN WATERWAY PROBLEMS
6. DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE TOWN.
7. EXTRA-TERRITORIAL EXPANSION TO THE WEST AND EAST OF TOWN.
8. STUDY OF TOWN WATER SYSTEM AND RELATED PROBLEMS (action will be delayed until the pending rate increase application has been acted upon.)
9. REVIEW OF PROPOSED FIRE AND TRAFFIC ORDINANCES
10. DEVELOPMENT OF A TOWN LAND USE PLAN
11. SUBDIVISION REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROGRAM

 REMINDER -- PKS city tags on front bumpers are mandatory -- NOW! Available at Town Hall, one dollar.
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ROGER POWELL, Manager of the Whaler Inn in PKS, has announced that the Whaler Inn has been turned into a coffee house Friday and Saturday evenings from 7:30 until midnight, serving, in addition to its regular menu, sandwiches, cheeses, and wines by the carafe, as well as its usual brown bagging facilities, and offering live folk and blues style entertainment, without cover charge.

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MIMOSA PARK got a big face lift recently when a trusty group of hardy residents went at it with much vigor; among them were Sy Bezuyen, Frank Johnson, Waightsel Hicks, Ken Knight, Fred Mehlin, Paul Kincaid, Ed Sigall, Ed Warner and Milt Yaeck, all members of the Pine Knoll Association which is responsible for parks upkeep.

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The fourth in a series of five Community Forums was held at CTI Thursday, Jan. 23, with Youth Opportunities as its theme, and DR. LEO JENKINS, Chancellor of ECU as its principal speaker, who believes, he said, that educational opportunities for youth should be a mixture of education for jobs and education for life-style - how to make a living and how to live. Other speakers were Ms. Shirley Dabcock of the Carteret County Schools, Guy Gibbs, Director of Student Personnel Services at CTI, Dale Dye, former Manager of the N. C. Employment Security Commission, and Wiley Wall, Position Classification Specialist at Cherry Point. DR. ED BAKER of PKS substituted for flu-stricken Mayor JIM REDFIELD as moderator.

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THE FRED MEHLINS on Elm Court, slip away to Vermont every summer, and begin their search about this time for renters to keep things in order during their absence. If any of our readers know people, without pets or children, who might like to spend from about June to October in a nice house on the canal, do give Fred and Eleanor a call at 726-2915 and talk about it.

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Public opinions were expressed at an open hearing held Thursday 30th January at the Atlantis Lodge regarding a provision in the Town's charter limiting the Board's spending. The part of the charter (Section 7.6) reads as follows:

"The Board of Commissioners shall not expend tax monies in excess of \$10,000 for any single new facility or major improvement without first