

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING, JULY 10, 1975

Commissioner McBride and Bill MacDonald reported on fire protection progress. After meeting with Atlantic Beach folks it was decided to draw up a five year rolling contract with them - a contract which can be re-negotiated each year but not broken, to use the Atlantic Beach fire house facilities to deal with fires in our PKS area. Atlantic Beach is willing to equip a fire house substation here should we eventually erect a building.

The Town will levy a 5¢ per hundred valuation tax in order to pay quarterly payments to Atlantic Beach for this service -- the tax will not be levied until a referendum is held, and it is hoped that the referendum can co-incide with the November elections in order to avoid paying for a special one. The contract will have in it a no profit for Atlantic Beach clause.

Several representative of PKS put in an appearance at the Salter Path Road improvement meetings in Raleigh; they included Mayor James Redfield, Commissioners Bray and Hicks, Ray Scoggins, and special ambassador Ed Crumley. The delays continue, in spite of our own town's backing of immediate attention to getting on with the much needed road repairs.

Commissioner Ramsey reported on the 201 Plan, feeling the urgent need for protection of our water supply. Further developments will be discussed later, but it is possible that Federal funds, originally hoped to be covering 75% of the cost, may only cover 55%. Nevertheless, the Board will continue to pursue all angles of the 201 plan.

BOB O'NEAL, Civil Defense Chairman, has asked us to remind readers to tell someone on his committee or notify the Town Hall should they decide to leave the area during a hurricane. This will aid the Civil Defense workers to keep count as well as to keep watch over property in the event of looting.

LARRY JEROME'S committee on assigning house numbers has finished its job, and a list of numbers can be viewed at the Town Hall now. AILEEN ADAMS is willing to look yours up for you if you call her; just tell her your lot number. The "numbers" system will be passed at the next meeting of the board, after all residents have had time to see what the Committee came up with. Meanwhile, we spoke with Mr. Pelletier at the Morehead City Post Office and he says using the numbers on our mailing addresses is optional. We may, then choose between: (for example)

Mr. Aleman Trickelard (great name, contrived as a pseudonym for
114 Ginkgo Tree Lane (John Jones, which gets boring)
Pine Knoll Shores,
Morehead City, N. C. 28557

OR

Same name as above (unless you object)
Route 1, Pine Knoll Shores,
Morehead City, N. C. 28557

unless, of course, you have a box in Atlantic Beach that you like!!

SPECIAL THING TO BE ALERTED ABOUT: In future, the Board will not be meeting at the Atlantis; folks who want to attend monthly meetings will be advised to check ahead to see where the meetings are going to be held. Carteret News-Times does carry this information in advance.

Incidentally, MAYOR REDFIELD will not be running for office again in November. Nor will COMMISSIONER BEZUYEN. We don't know yet about the other Commissioners, but we suggest readers inform themselves about issues and possible candidates; between September 12 and October 17 anyone who wants to run for office must register. That doesn't give us much time. If you know someone you think is capable of helping us run our little town, urge him or her to get into it now!

And, get this straight if you can: in this next election the three candidates with the most votes will serve four years and the three with the next most votes will serve two years. Following this election, elections will be held every two years in odd numbered years, and beginning in 1977 those Commissioners who are elected to new terms will serve for four years.

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MARK AUGUST 16th as the date to decorate your bicycle and compete for prizes in the N.C. Annual Blue Crab Derby, Morehead City Waterfront. Watch the Carteret County News-Times for the details.
