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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, August 14, at the Whaler Inn --

LARRY JEROME, Planning Board Chairman, told the Board that Paul Foster, Wilmington architect, is ready to begin drafting our Town's Land Use Program in accordance with the Coastal Area Management Act. Larry also presented a subdivision request from Bogue Enterprises, Ltd. Action on this request was deferred until all outstanding questions could be answered, and the Board agreed that a special meeting should be called when all information is at hand. JOHN COLLIER urged quick approval of the subdivision because of new State health ordinances which become effective September 15 which might affect design of the subdivision.

COMMISSIONER HICKS reported that "No Passing" marks, "No Parking," and "Pedestrian Crossing" signs have been placed in several locations in PKS. Turnaway signs will be added in the near future.

Commissioners heard a report regarding the need to increase town insurance coverage and approved liability coverage through an umbrella type policy to the amount of \$1,000,000.

BILL MACDONALD discussed the proposed fire protection contract with Atlantic Beach. The contract would also include Rescue service. Cost would be .05 per \$100 valuation and would be subject to re-negotiation each year. The contract would be for five years. Atlantic Beach agrees that the rate paid by Pine Knoll Shores will be no greater than necessary to defray increased costs. The proposed contract also states the intent to negotiate an amended or new contract to equip and staff a substation in Pine Knoll Shores in a building to be provided by PKS. It was agreed that there should be a public hearing on the proposal on Monday, August 25.

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HEARING ON PROPOSED CONTRACT WITH ATLANTIC BEACH FOR FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE,  
August 26 at the Whaler Inn:

MAYOR REDFIELD announced that so far as he knew, no member of the Board had been approached regarding a site for a Convention Center in Pine Knoll Shores. The Town Zoning Ordinance does not permit such a center in Commercial Zone 3 which is the zoning of the site suggested in newspaper articles about the proposed center.

BILL MACDONALD presented the proposed contract for fire and rescue service, explaining that East Pine Knoll Shores is within the 4 mile fire district covered by Atlantic Beach. Owners in that district are billed by the County. The rate last year was \$.03 per \$100 valuation. The rest of Pine Knoll Shores is covered by Bogue Banks Fire and Rescue which is located in Salter Path. Residents are currently asked to donate \$25. if they live in this area. Under the proposed contract, Atlantic Beach Fire and Rescue Squad would provide service for all of Pine Knoll Shores at a cost of \$.05 per \$100. This would mean no change in insurance premiums for now. The proposed contract would run for five years. Five years was suggested because they must do long-term planning for staff and equipment. Mr. Macdonald recommended that the contract be accepted, subject to approval on a referendum at the November 4th election and that the Commissioners appoint a committee to work toward planning for a Fire Department in PKS. This, he feels, would allow time for proper planning and for training a staff.

The question of establishing a Pine Knoll Shores Volunteer Fire Department immediately was raised and discussed. Fire fighting it was stated, is essentially a young man's job. Age distribution of permanent residents is as follows: 83% over 40; 66% over 50 and 30% over 60.

The Board voted to defer action at the hearing. As is their custom, they met later to consider points brought up at the hearing plus any added facts available. At a special meeting of the Board held August 27, the contract was passed unanimously, and the five-year contract will be voted on at the referendum.

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Stickers showing the emergency number (Communications Center) will be distributed to put on your telephone. Should you not receive one, they are available at the Town Hall. And since none of us can be reminded too often -- the Communications Center number is 728-4111.

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Here since December, and for a year before that in Pine Knoll Townes, in a home on Holly Street, are CHRISTIN and SYLVIA HUGHES. They came to PKS from Tampa, Fla. Christin is Superintendent of Construction for the Florida firm which is building