

COMMISSIONERS MEET

Following the hearing, the Commissioners held their monthly meeting. Commissioner Blanchard reported that the azaleas donated by the Garden Club have been planted.

Commissioner Gibson reported 93 police calls answered, 130 house checks, 10 traffic citations and 3 larcenies. Officers Baxley, McAllister and Macklin had attended 32 hours of training. Mayor Hanan then presented Officer Hamilton the Certificate qualifying him to be a teacher of basic law enforcement training to other officers.

Commissioner Hasulak reported 3 rescue calls, 1 transport and no fires in October. He presented the slate of officers for the Fire Department chosen by the members but requiring commissioner's approval. They are: Captain--Andy Turney, Lieutenants--Frank Herbst and Hank Ingram. They were approved. Hasulak was also given authorization to donate the used fire hose, which was recently replaced, to the Stella Fire Dept.

Commissioner Johnson reported that 36.9% of revenues have been collected and 25.67% of expenditures disbursed so far in this fiscal year. Earnings on investments averaged 7.9%. Since the annual audit was not ready for this meeting, Johnson requested a special meeting to be held Tuesday, 11/20, at 3:00 p.m. for that purpose. This was granted.

Commissioner Roderick reported that the Building Inspector had issued one residential permit, 13 miscellaneous permits and 4 certificates of occupancy. He said that the Planning Board did not approve preliminary plans for Bermuda Greens as reported in the October Shoreline. Their request for approval was turned down at the October meeting. They also recommended that the Ocean Front Pruning Ordinance not be changed. The Community Appearance Commission had reported 18 inspections in September.

Roderick presented the sign ordinance changes for approval. The recommended changes allowing up to 5 temporary signs for Open House and Yard Sales, and requiring them to be placed parallel to the street just as other signs were, and allowing the Town to have these signs made and to issue them upon request for permit. A deposit will be charged which will be refundable upon return of the signs.

After the reports, the Mayor moved to new business. He reported that White Brothers, contractor engaged to construct the drainage swales to relieve flooding in the eastern part of town, had requested extension of its contract. It was decided to hear the petition from the citizens to be presented by Clyde Lynn regarding their objections to this project before a decision was made. There was lengthy discussion from the floor when this was presented. It was ultimately decided that the contract would not be extended for at least six months to give a special committee the opportunity to come up with an alternate solution to the flooding problem. If a suitable one has not been found in that time, the contract will be renegotiated. Many volunteers for this committee came forward.