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SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on February 21, as previously announced. The first order of business was to appoint two trustees to the Bogue Banks library Board to represent the town. Commissioners named Caroline Roderick and Doug Fleming for those duties.

The main purpose of the meeting was to consider the report of the Ad Hoc Committee set up to study alternate means of solving the drainage problem in the eastern side of town. Committee members are: Carl Heffelfinger, Chair; Cliff Mitchell, John Cronk, Ken Hoffmeyer, Pete Peterson and Clark Hutchinson. Dave Hasulak represents the Board. All members were present. In addition to the commissioners and interested citizens, Engineer Paul Denison of Von Oesen and Associates, authors of the previously approved plan, was present.

The recommendation of the committee is that flood water be pumped to the ocean front where it would be sprayed over the dunes. Col.Denison said that such a plan had been considered when his firm made its study and it was rejected because of the high cost and the difficulties of obtaining easements.

The committee feels that the maintenance cost of the swale plan would be greater than that of this plan. Also, the property owners' associations have been approached and have indicated a willingness to consider the possibility of allowing sections of their ocean front property to be used for this purpose. This, of course, would be a big saving but the prospect must be studied to make sure that the area offered is large enough to handle the discharge without damage to the dunes.

After considerable discussion it was decided to request Von Desen Associates to estimate the cost of a feasibility study in time for the Commissioners' March meeting.

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