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## Slate November **Vote on Change** Of Government

Pine Knoll Shores voters will decide at the November 7 General Election whether the Town's form of government should be changed from mayor/council to council/ manager.

Town commissioners, who support the change, voted 4 to 0 at a special meeting August 15 to put a referendum on the November ballot that would amend the Town Charter to provide for the change in the form of government. Commissioner Danehy was not present for the vote.

A switch to the council/manager system would place primary responsibility for the conduct of everyday operations of the municipal government in the hands of a professional town manager, leaving the council as a largely policy-making body. While some current officials did not look with favor on such a change in the past, it is now generally agreed that the strong growth and redevelopment the Town is experiencing, coupled with the increasing complexities of government, requires the consistent day-to-day professional management a town manager would provide.

A change in the manner in which the town is governed has been the subject of discussion for some time. A town-wide

If you live in Pine Knoll Shores, what's

Theurging comes after two recent incidents

in which trash remained uncollected in

some areas when it was put out after

garbage collectors had already made their

pickups in that neighborhood. In each case

householders in the effected areas were used

to having their trash picked up later in the

day, and did not expect an early morning

the first thing you should do on Monday

get into the habit of doing.

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Finally underway! Targeted for completion in 2007, construction of the new clubhouse of the Country Club of the Crystal Coast has begun.

## **New Clubhouse Becoming** A Reality at Country Club By Bill White

By next summer, members and visitors to The Country Club of the Crystal Coast in Pine Knoll Shores should be able to sit on the back deck of a new clubhouse with a cool drink in hand and not only enjoy a commanding view of Bogue Sound but

applaud or chuckle at the efforts of golfers teeing off in front of them.

**Monday Morning Must** 

Put Out the Trash

Pilings to support the new clubhouse were driven last month and members of

Industries, the waste collection contractor,

started pickups early in the hope of avoiding

has been trying different routes in the hope

the club's Clubhouse Construction Group are shooting for completion next spring. The new building, which will afford sweeping views across Bogue Sound, is a single story structure offering some 11,000 square feet of space, much of it devoted to spacious banquet and meeting facilities that can be divided into smaller units suitable for groups of various sizes.

In anticipation of the coming of the new clubhouse, the club's 18 hole golf course was reconfigured a few months ago. The front nine essentially became the back nine and the back nine the front nine. The change put the first hole, formerly the 10th, out in front of the clubhouse. The old first hole, now the 10th, is located across Oakleaf Drive from the club's parking lot and did not offer the sound

Social events at the club, formerly known as Bogue Banks Country Club, have been

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## **Interest Grows** On Wastewater Treatment Front

By Charlie McBriarty

Increasing attention is being given to the sewage systems and their impact on the Town of Pine Knoll Shores. Many of the homes, condominiums, hotels, and other facilities in the town were built in the 60's and 70's. During the intervening years the concern for and understanding of the environmental impact of these systems has grown. As a consequence, county and state rules and regulations governing systems have been modified to reflect this improved understanding and the need to protect the environment. In addition, the technology regarding these systems has experienced increased attention and significant advancements have been made. Finally, the impact of failure of these aging wastewater treatment systems, experienced elsewhere, has sent out warning signals to individual citizens, owners of multipleoccupancy facilities, community leaders, and the mayor and commissioners that something must be done now to avert a system failure in Pine Knoll Shores.

What to do with the aging sewer systems in the town has been a topic that has generated a great deal of attention. Opinions have been expressed in the Letters to the Editor section of the local newspaper. It has been an agenda item of many condo and homeowners associations. It has also been a topic of discussion at board of commissioners meetings.

There appears to be differences of opinion about what needs to be done about wastewater systems in Pine Knoll Shores. Most Pine Knoll Shores home owners maintain their own septic system. Many of them appear to take the position that they are responsible for the care, maintenance, and upkeep of their own (Wastewater) Continued on Page 4

mornings? Put out the trash! At least that's delays expected to be occasioned by traffic what town officials are urging citizens to going to and from the newly reopened views that the new first hole features. aquarium More recently, Waste Industries

> of finding a formula through which the job can be completed in one day.

While the experiment with new routes may be temporary, town officials point out that there are many circumstances under which trash collectors may find it necessary to depart from established routes: traffic accidents, road work, flooding after a heavy rain to name a few. If trash is put out

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The first problem occurred after the Memorial Day weekend when Waste

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