

Public Parade

Oaths Taken By New Officials

The New Administration

With 63 per cent of the registered voters going to the polls in last week's municipal election, Edenton citizens demonstrated that they are still in control of their own government.

For that, we want to compliment everybody along the Public Parade. A survey will show that Edenton's turnout was near the top on a day when elections were being held in cities across the state. We would guess that the average was under 30 per cent. In our home town, for example, much was made of the fact that 27 per cent of the voters went to the polls when only 25 per cent participation had been forecast.

And we want to compliment the voters on the choices they made. We feel that John Dowd, educator turned businessman, will make a good mayor. A native of Chowan and a long-time resident of Edenton, he has the proper background and should be aware of the people's needs and aspirations. In addition, he promises an open-door administration, with full citizen participation.

These are always solid foundation stones for any administration. The challenge is to live up to them as time moves on and problems multiply. We feel confident Mayor-elect Dowd will keep the faith.

We also feel that E.N. (Pete) Manning will make a valuable addition to the town board. That he led the ticket in last Tuesday's election says something for the esteem in which he is held by his fellow citizens. We have found from a long business association with him that he is a man of his word — and, happily, he is not a man of too many words.

In every election, there are winners and losers. We have been both and know from experience how quickly the losers are forgotten. That is not always as it should be; often losers ought to be remembered for the good they

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A large crowd over-flowed into the municipal building lobby Tuesday night as a new mayor, one new councilman and two returning councilmen took their oaths of office.

New Mayor John Dowd told the group, "As the Mayor of Edenton, I'll work very hard on behalf of the people of Edenton. He said that he would work for "progress, cooperation, and fairness." Dowd said that "When decisions are to be made, I will consider who it will help and who it will hurt."

E.N. (Pete) Manning, newly elected councilman-at-large, said, "I appreciate the privilege of serving in this capacity. I'm always available to hear observations and suggestions."

Councilman Willis Privott was elected mayor pro-tem by unanimous vote of the council.

Outgoing Councilman James L. Fenner and mayor Roy L. Harrell were presented with certificates of appreciation and their nameplates. Dowd said that with their wealth of knowledge, they would be called on in the future.

During the meeting, newly elected Mayor John Dowd was called upon to break a 3-3 vote to postpone for a month a recommendation to rezone land located on Highway 32 across from Denison Manufacturing Company from R-20 Residential to R-14 Residential.

The rezoning request was made by Daniel Lynn Cochran, a design consultant to John Gilliam Wood. The change in zoning was recommended by the Edenton Zoning and Planning Board and, according to Cochran, will allow for the construction of "high quality, single-family dwellings."

Councilman Herbert W. Hollowell Jr. made the motion to table the decision until the next town council meeting to further study the rezoning request.

Before the 3-3 vote, Councilman E.N. (Pete) Manning said, "I would like to think we have a competent planning board. I think it would behoove us to act on their

recommendation."

Mayor John Dowd explained his reasons for casting his tie-breaking vote to not table the decision by saying, "I, like Mr. Manning, believe we have a competent planning board and I think we should act on their recommendation. I know the people planning this development and I know how they care about Edenton. I consider no one will be harmed and many benefited."

Council then voted to approve the planning board's recommendation to rezone the land.

The Rev. W. L. Wainwright presented a request that a home located on Oakum Street be included in the Albemarle-Oakum Street Community Development target area using any remaining funds after completion of the project. The home is occupied by an elderly member of his congregation.

Mr. David Holmes, consultant for community development, spoke against including individual dwellings outside of target areas. Instead he recommended that an estimated \$78,000 in remaining funds be used in the Church Street project.

Bowing to the Holmes recommendation, council voted to deny the request.

In other business, the council:

- Approved new committee assignments;
- Approved a technical change to the Medical Arts District of the

Edenton zoning ordinance;

- Approved an increase from 20.5' to 21' per mile for town employees using their own vehicles on town business;
- Awarded the bid for providing hardwood seedlings to be used at the wastewater treatment plant to the Union Camp Corp. at the bid price of \$22,054.15;

• Approved the use of town curb and gutter forms to construct a curb and gutter on the south side of Robin Lane Extension by Allen Swanner to be used at his own expense;

• Approved an agreement between the town and the John A. Holmes High School's NJROTC unit to permanently dock its training vessel at the foot of Broad Street;

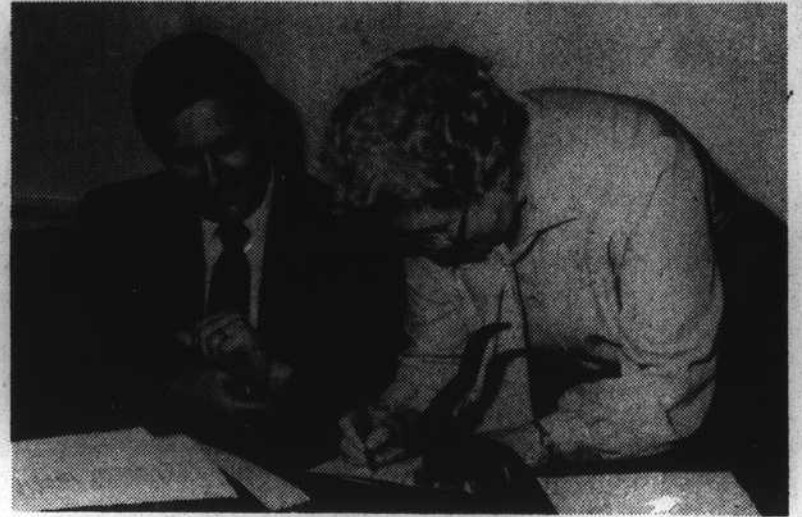
• Tabled until December the appropriation of money for U.S. 17 bypass interchanges;

• Approved an ordinance banning parking at all times on Albemarle Street;

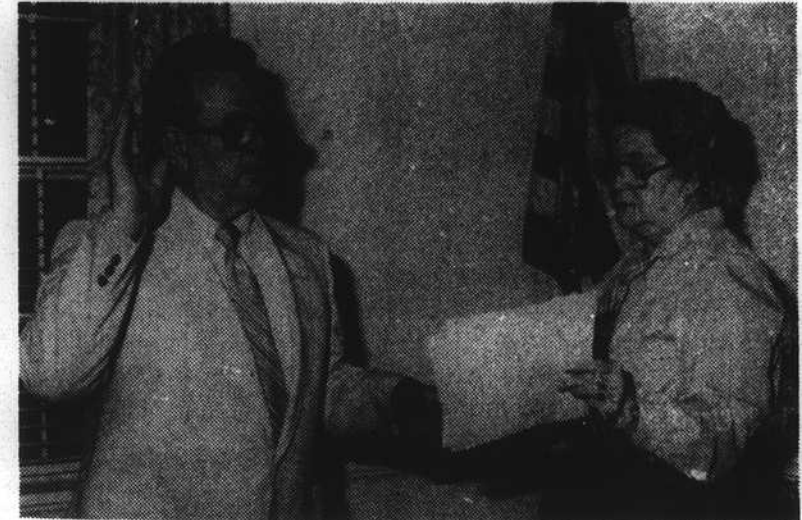
• Tabled a request for community development funds to renovate the John R. Paige Masonic Lodge;

• Approved a resolution honoring John A. Holmes High School for "Exemplary efforts in providing quality education;"

• Heard an announcement by councilman Allen B. Harless that councilman W. H. Hollowell, Jr. had been elected to the board of directors of the NC League of Municipalities.



EDENTON'S NEW MAYOR— John T. Dowd watches as Clerk of Court Marjorie Hollowell authenticates his oath of office.



NEW COUNCILMAN— E.N. (Pete) Manning takes his oath of office.

Volunteers Recognized

Cornelia Jones Privott and the Edenton Lions Club are representing Chowan County as Governor Martin's Outstanding Volunteers for 1985.

Mrs. Privott and Ken Stalls, president of the Lions Club, attended a reception at the Executive Mansion November 7. They were accompanied by Walter Noneman, school community relations director, and coordinator of the volunteer program for Edenton and Chowan County.

About 200 volunteers toured the Executive Mansion and participated in a recognition ceremony with the Governor, Mrs. Martin, and Arlene Pulley, Executive Director of the Govern-

nor's Office of Citizen Affairs.

"Your efforts and dedicated service to the people of North Carolina shine as an example of the achievements made possible through concern for our fellow citizens," the Governor said as he commended the volunteers. "Our strength lies in the spirit of volunteerism, and it is my privilege to celebrate that spirit with you today."

"This is the Governor's special way of thanking North Carolina's volunteers for their selfless service and caring hearts," Pulley explained.

Outstanding volunteers from 84 counties visited the Executive Mansion from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. and were presented with Certificates of Appreciation and North Carolina's official Volunteer Pin.

Food Distribution Planned

The Chowan County Department of Social Services will be distributing cheese, butter, flour, corn meal, dry milk, rice and honey to the residents of Chowan County at two locations on Tuesday, November 19. Applications will be processed and commodities distributed at the Center Hill—Crossroads Fire Department Building, Crossroads during the hours from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; and at the school maintenance building, Dicks street in Edenton during the hours from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the same day.

The commodities will be available as long as the supply holds out to all households receiving food stamps in Chowan County and other households meeting certain income levels. The food stamp households will be notified previous to this day to bring in needed information. Each food stamp household will be required to present the form they received from the Department of Human

Resources in Raleigh. They should be careful to follow instructions on the card.

Application forms will be available for other interested persons to sign a self-declaration income statement.

For those households not on food stamps, gross monthly income levels to be eligible should not exceed:

Household Size	Gross income per months
1	\$569.00
2	764.00
3	959.00
4	1,154.00
5	1,349.00
6	1,544.00
7	1,739.00
8	1,934.00

Add for each additional household member: \$195.00

One person from each household should come and sign the application and receive the commodities.

Festival Funding Awarded

Chowan Arts Council has been awarded \$2,618 through the Grassroots Arts Program for May Play Day Festival.

The announcement comes jointly from Gov. James G. Martin and Patrick G. Dorsey, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources.

The Grassroots Arts Program, established by the General Assembly in 1977, is the Arts Council's main source of funding for local and community arts activities. Through the program, the legislature allocates funds to each county on a per capita basis. The original appropriation designated about 5 cents per person. Now, the total allocation is \$1,250,000, almost 21 cents per person.

All 100 counties received grants from the more than \$1,216,913 allocated so far. Six counties have balances remaining in their allocations, which will go to projects to be approved later.

In each county, the Board of County Commissioners nominates a local distributing agent (LDA)

subject to approval by the N.C. Arts Council. This year 74 counties have LDA's. Local Distributing Agents determine how the Grassroots funds will be spent in their counties. In counties without LDA's, organizations apply directly to the N.C. Arts Council for funding.

Recipients of Grassroots Arts Program grants must match the funds dollar-for-dollar in cash from other sources. Recipients may in turn re-grant funds to local projects. Each LDA submits a plan for local allocations, prepared through a public process, to the N.C. Arts Council in the spring.

"Of all our programs, Grassroots Arts is probably the one that does the best job of reaching out across the state to all North Carolinians," says Mary Regan, executive director of the N.C. Arts Council. "It's genuinely a partnership between state government and local citizens. The General Assembly provides the money, the

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Court News Reported

Chowan District Court was in session November 11; the Honorable John T. Chaffin presiding over the criminal calendar.

Clarence Alexander Rankins was found guilty of driving 45 in a 35mph zone. He was fined \$35 and cost of court.

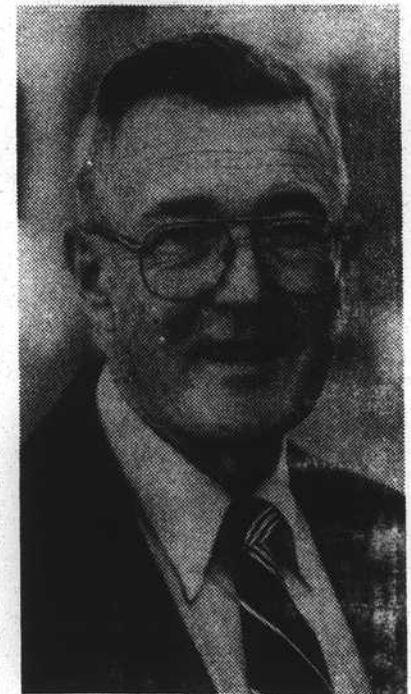
William Alvin Bass Jr. was found guilty of exceeding a safe speed. He was fined \$10 and cost of court.

Darryl Dwight Cuffie was found guilty of possessing an alcoholic beverage while being under age. He was sentenced to 90 days suspended for 2 years on the condition he pay a fine of \$100 and cost of court.

Jimmy Brent Holt Jr. was found guilty of possessing an alcoholic beverage while under age. He was sentenced to 90 days suspended for 2 years on the condition he pay a fine of \$100 and cost of court.

Walton Samuel Gibbs Jr. pleaded guilty to a charges of misdemeanor larceny and misdemeanor breaking and entering. The two cases were consolidated for judgement and Gibbs was sentenced to 9 months suspended for 3 years.

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Jack Grove

Editor Named By Newspaper

Jack D. Grove has been named managing editor of the Chowan Herald. Grove replaces Ron Anderson who has been with the newspaper for over two years. Anderson begins work Monday as a reporter and photographer with The News Journal of Raeford, N.C.

Grove, a native of Tulsa, Oklahoma and a twenty year Navy veteran, was editor of the Perquimans Weekly in 1979. He resides with his wife Rachel at Holiday Island.



Geddes Potter (left) and James Oglesby Veterans of World War I, were the oldest attendees at Monday's Veteran's Day ceremony at American Legion.

Edenton's Veterans Honored

by Jack Grove

The town of Edenton's fire siren blew a long blast at 11 a.m. Monday in salute to our nation's veterans, past and present. At that moment, ceremonies were beginning at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. and at American Legion Post 40 of Edenton to honor those "who gave their last full measure of devotion," those who have served and those now serving their country in uniform.

Under a bright sun, Joe Lee, District Commander of the VFW, told the assembled crowd, "I am proud to have served my country in Viet Nam." He said that a new park would be dedicated to veterans by the VFW and American Legion in Tyrrell County.

Lee said that the Veterans Administration hospitals across the

country are being drastically cut back and that large cuts have been made in veterans representatives at employment security offices across the state. He asked, "what else are they going to cut?"

Mayor-elect John Dowd told the gathering "You as veterans should tell your loved ones and friends your feelings about serving your country. Don't just let Hollywood interpret your feelings." He said that he had a concern "and that you can take a role in the missing in southeast asia."

Dowd concluded his remarks by saying "I would be proud to lend my personal support and that of the mayor's office to work with the Veteran's Administration in erecting a veteran's memorial."

Honored as the oldest veterans attending the ceremony were World War I veterans, James

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At Chowan Hospital
Tuesday, November 19

Edenton Jaycee Blood Drive

From 12:00 - 6:00 P.M.
Goal - 125 Pints