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MILITARY APPRECIATION NIGHT



STAFF PHOTO BY REGGIE PONDER

Sue Campbell (right) of American Legion Post 40 Auxiliary collects toiletries and snacks for area troops deploying to Kosovo during Military Appreciation Night, Thursday, July 2, at Historic Hicks Field. The Edenton Steamers hosted Peninsula and fell 11-4. The auxiliary will continue to collect items for care packages over the coming weeks and months. **See more photos from the night's game on page 7A and in our slideshow at DAILYADVANCE.COM.**

Vaughan to seek sixth term as mayor

From staff reports

Mayor Roland Vaughan has filed for re-election.

Vaughan, who is serving his fifth term as mayor of Edenton, filed July 8 to seek re-election in the Nov. 3 Municipal Election.

Vaughan, 71, announced months ago that if elected this would be his final term in office. He said Friday that he decided to run one more time for the same reason he ran for office the first time around.

"I want to continue to try to give back to the town because it has been so good to me and my family," Vaughan said.

"Also, we have a lot of positive things in the works," he added. "I want to see those projects through to fruition."

Vaughan said that he wanted to work to help create job opportunities and an expansion of the tax base.

He said that while the population of the town had remained unchanged for the past 30 years, he felt that Edenton is now on the verge of experiencing positive growth for the first time in a long time and that he wanted to be a part of that as well.

The filing period closes Friday at noon.

Councilman Jimmy Stallings, who serves as mayor pro-tem, has filed for re-election to the First Ward seat he has held for almost



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16 years (4 terms).

George Grother has filed to oppose incumbent Sambo Dixon for the Second Ward seat Dixon currently holds. Grother unsuccessfully ran for the at-large seat on the council currently held by Bob Quinn. Quinn was elected to the seat in 2010 after defeating Grother and incumbent Jerry Parks.

Dixon has said he plans to file for reelection, but had not filed as of presstime Tuesday.

Steve Biggs, who holds an at-large seat, had not filed as of presstime, and had not announced whether or not he would seek reelection.

Both sides speak out on wind energy issue

BY REGGIE PONDER
 Editor

Supporters and opponents of making Chowan County's wind energy ordinance substantially more restrictive were vocal about their views during the July 6 meeting of the Chowan Board of Commissioners.

Speakers addressed the commissioners in the wake of a citizen petition asking the board to adopt six revisions to the county's wind ordinance that were proposed by the Planning Board.

Apex Clean Energy Inc. has proposed the Timbermill Wind Project along the Chowan-Perquimans line.

Don Giecek of Apex Clean Energy said the company follows federal, state

and local road maps when it begins exploring a potential project. The local road map is the county wind energy ordinance, he said.

The company has invested hundreds of thousands of dollars in wildlife monitoring and other tests based on the standards established in the existing ordinance, he said.

The petition drivers are making false claims to landowners who aren't in areas that would be affected by the project, according to Giecek.

Giecek noted additional requirements could be put in place during the conditional use permit process.

"Reopening the ordinance is unnecessary," Giecek

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Neighborhood redevelopment plans OK'd

BY REBECCA BUNCH
 Staff Writer

The town council last month unanimously approved plans to remedy blight in the North Oakum Street and Moseley Street neighborhoods.

The council approved the redevelopment plans following two public hearings that preceded the council's regular monthly work session on June 22.

No citizens spoke at either hearing.

Dale Holland of Wilmington-based Holland Planners Inc., a firm specializing in land use planning, urban design and community development, reviewed the steps it had taken to get to this point in the process.

"Concluding tonight will be what has been a long, winding road," Holland said.

Holland also reviewed final revisions to the redevelopment process. They included clarifying the definition of detailed inspections of dilapidated properties that are part of the acqui-

sition/condemnation process and coordinating deed restrictions with the town's Historic Preservation Commission. He said the Moseley Street plan needed to take into account that the Moseley Street Park was acquired with Clean Water Management Trust funds, which come with their own set of guidelines.

The process came alive in May 2014 when the town council adopted a resolution that resulted in the creation

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Schools to charge \$65 driver ed this year

BY REBECCA BUNCH
 Staff Writer

The school board voted 5-1 at its July 7 monthly meeting to begin charging a \$65 fee for students in the



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Edenton-Chowan Schools who take driver education training during the 2015-2016 school year.

Board member Gil Burroughs cast the lone dissenting vote.

The \$65 fee is currently a capped, allowable fee that the state says students can be charged. Prior to the vote, the school system had never charged students who received the training.

But school officials pointed out that the state legislature has removed money from its tentative budget that school systems had been using to fund the program.

Burroughs said his feeling was that academic subjects were supposed to be the school system's priority and he was troubled by the idea of taking money from the school's fund balance to pay for the program.

"I'm reluctant," he said. "It's a question for me of priorities."

But board member Gene Jordan disagreed.

"We do a lot of things not related to academics," he said. "If you want to function in today's society, you need your driver's license."

School officials said from what they are hearing from

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Sheriff warns of rash of scam activity

From staff reports

Sheriff Dwayne Goodwin is warning residents to be wary of things that sound too good to be true – or just don't add up.

Scams are on the rise, he said.

One local resident received a check for more than \$3,000 that purported to be from Haliburton.

The check actually was bogus, with the goal of obtaining the resident's bank information, according to the sheriff.

Goodwin said often the banks will recognize such checks as fakes, but it's always a good idea to be cau-

tious. Such bogus checks have come from various companies and different states, Goodwin said.

Another common scheme is someone who claims to need help in coming to America, according to Goodwin.

Another scam is a claim of lottery winnings, with instructions to pay a "processing fee" or taxes in order to claim the prize, Goodwin said.

Goodwin said recently some residents have gotten calls from a young-sounding person claiming to be their

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