

CRIMEWATCH

EDENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

■ Feb. 9 - Mitchell Lee Anthony White, 32, of Jones White Road, Edenton, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked.

■ Feb. 8 - Karem Diaz Felton, 23, of Elizabeth City, was arrested on one felony count of possession with intent to manufacture, sell or deliver a Schedule VI controlled substance, one felony count of maintain a vehicle for the delivery of a controlled substance and one count of felony possession of a Schedule VI controlled substance. He was

also issued a citation for speeding and driving with no operator's license.

■ Feb. 7 - Kordell Long, 31, of Coke Avenue, was arrested on one felony count of drug violations and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

■ Feb. 7 - Robert Lee Rusbuldt, 23, of Tip Toe Road, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked.

■ Feb. 3 - Christopher Michael Bateman, 34, of Gatesville, was arrested on two misdemeanor counts of failure to appear.

■ Jan. 30 - Jorge Roblero

Miguel, 38, of Dudley, NC, was arrested on one felony count of hit and run, one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked and one misdemeanor count of failure to reduce speed.

■ Jan. 30 - Robert Keith Beasley, 38, of Coral Lane, was charged with one misdemeanor count of shoplifting at Food Lion on Virginia Road.

■ Jan. 30 - Donda Reginald Taylor Jr., 49, of North Broad Street, was arrested on one count of failure to appear.

■ Jan. 29 - Jeremias Lopez, 22, of Johnston Street, was charged with one mis-

demeanor count of assault.

■ Jan. 29 - Jose Pacheco, 18, of East Church Street, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

■ Jan. 28 - Crystal Danielle Stallings, 32, of South Oakum Street, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of probation violation.

■ Jan. 25 - Alyssa Morgan Hartman, 24, of Morris Circle, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked.

■ Jan. 24 - Shaniqua Elizabeth Spears, 22, of Badham Road, was charged with one assault.

■ Jan. 20 - Rayshawn

Lamont Anthony, 24, of Reginald and Mary Avenue, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked.

INCIDENTS

■ Feb. 9 - Breaking and injury to real property on West Albemarle Street.

■ Feb. 6 - Larceny at Roses on Virginia Road.

■ Feb. 6 - Larceny and injury to personal property on Bud Street.

■ Jan. 31 - Forgery and obtaining property by false pretense on West Queen Street.

■ Jan. 31 - Larceny and shoplifting at Food Lion on Virginia Road.

■ Jan. 24 - Larceny on Virginia Road.

■ Jan. 17 - Larceny on Bud Street.

CHOWAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

■ Feb. 8 - Lakesha Beasley Leach, 39, of Walker Drive, was charged with one misdemeanor count of littering.

■ Feb. 7 - Hunter Brock Schwarm, 21, of Cofield, NC was arrested on a citation for one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

■ Jan. 30 - Matthew D. Palker, age unknown, of Suffolk, Va., was arrested on two counts of failure to appear.

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the counties included.

Local organizations, including nonprofit organizations, local governments or regional councils of government, determine the eligibility of homeowners for the assistance and then contract for and supervise the work on the homes. Most of these organizations already offer urgent repair and rehabilitation programs in their communities using Agency financing and have proven track records of success.

"This funding will go a long way toward helping homeowners get back into their homes," said Scott Farmer, executive director of the N.C. Housing Finance Agency. "By working through our local partners, we are able to more quickly and efficiently address the needs

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of North Carolinians who were hit hard by natural disaster in 2016."

The funding was appropriated in the Disaster Recovery Act of 2016 and is intended to meet needs that are not already being addressed by flood insurance, FEMA or the Small Business Administration.

Homeowners in affected counties can find a local provider at <http://www.nchfa.com/homeownership-partners/community-partners/current-community-partners> or by calling 919-877-5707. The Agency will also be adding providers throughout the next few months.

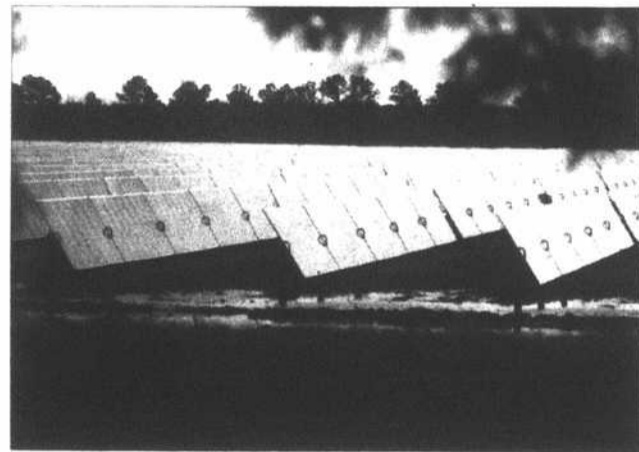
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in new and economical ways for our customers."

In September 2016, Dominion announced an expansion of its plans for solar in the region to a total of 500 megawatts of utility-scale solar to be developed in Virginia and North Carolina through 2020. This amounts to enough electricity at peak capacity to power about 125,000 homes, according to Pridgen.

Domion's website provides additional information about its solar initiatives. The information is at <https://www.dom.com/about-us/making-energy/renewables/solar/virginia-and-north-car>



DAILY ADVANCE FILE PHOTO

Solar panels at SunEnergy1's solar farm on Ferrell Mill Road southeast of Moyock are shown Thursday, Jan. 12.

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olunar-projects.

Although solar is one of the fastest-growing sources

of renewable energy, Dominion follows state laws in defining renewable energy as energy derived from sunlight, wind, falling water, biomass, energy from waste, municipal solid waste, wave motion, tides and geothermal power. It does not include energy derived from coal, oil, natural gas or nuclear power.

One of the challenges for the utility as solar becomes a bigger piece of the power generation pie is to ensure that customized interconnection studies are performed for each generating facility in a way that the safety, reliability, and operability of the grid is maintained.

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into consideration.

County Manager Kevin Howard said he would bring to the commissioners at an upcoming meeting a report on the fund balance in light of those long-term commitments. But Howard said even when those set-aside funds are taken into consideration the fund balance in the General Fund still meets the 25 percent figure that the county commissioners are committed to maintaining.

Vang reported that property tax collected was \$10.1

million in Fiscal Year 2016, up from nearly \$9.85 million in Fiscal Year 2015.

Sales tax collected was \$1.88 million in 2016, down slightly from nearly \$2.02 million in 2015.

The single biggest area of spending in the General Fund is education, at 28 percent, followed by human services at 22 percent and public safety at 21 percent.

Education spending in Fiscal Year 2016 was \$3.89 million, up from \$3.71 million in Fiscal Year 2015.

Human services spending dropped slightly to nearly \$3.12 million in Fiscal Year 2016 from \$3.27 million in

Fiscal Year 2015.

Public safety spending dipped just a bit to \$2.9 million in Fiscal Year 2016 from \$2.91 million in Fiscal Year 2015.

The Water Fund made money during Fiscal Year 2016 - a solid \$276,014 - while the enterprise's other two main enterprise funds lost money. Solid Waste lost \$3,521 while Emergency Medical Services lost \$26,891.

Cash flow from operations in the Water Fund was \$275,080 in Fiscal Year 2016, up substantially from \$94,139 the previous year. The growth in income was

due largely to increases in water rates that county officials put in place in order to generate revenue to help cover the cost of upcoming capital improvements to the system.

County officials discovered in 2008 that the county's reserves had been depleted and the county's finances were in crisis.

In response the county commissioners adopted restructuring measures and reduced the amount of real estate the county owned.

In 2013 the county significantly reduced its long-term debt pressure by refinancing the county's debt.

ALUMNI

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before the local schools were integrated.

COA officials have em-

phasized that their priority is for the college to be successful in the Edenton community so that young people have a path to go to college or pursue their careers.

County officials have stressed that the restoration of the two-story building depends on finding a use for the structure that is self-sustaining.

The future of the building will depend on input from three newly seated county commissioners as well as continuing input from the other commissioners.

Three new commission-

ers were elected in November and seated in December: Democrat Donald Faircloth and Republicans Patti Kersey and Ron Cummings.

In addition to the new county commissioners there will be a new COA president this year and some new COA trustees, all of whom will need to weigh in on the future of the building

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No words I write can ever say
 How much I miss you every day.
 As time goes by, the loneliness grows;
 How I miss you, nobody knows!
 I think of you in silence,
 I often speak your name,
 But all I have are memories
 And photos in a frame.
 No one knows my sorrow,
 No one sees me weep,
 But the love I have for you
 Is in my heart to keep.
 I've never stopped loving you
 I'm sure I never will;
 Deep inside my heart,
 You are with me still.

Heartaches in this world are many
 But mine is worse than any.
 My heart still aches as I whisper low,
 "I need you and I miss you so."
 The things we feel so deeply
 Are often the hardest to say,
 But I just can't keep quiet any more,
 So I'll tell you anyway.
 There is a place in my heart
 That no one else can fill;
 I love you so, Dear,
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- Alice Richardson

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