

Pembroke Town Council Meets-Cont'd

...could be here all night...we ought to get on this and accommodate our merchants if possible..."

Councilman Larry T. Brooks... "Really, when this came up, we had no evidence other than this to act on... Councilman Bob Brewington told us we were liable, letters were sent, no one appeared before us and asked us not to enforce the ordinance..."

Councilman Milton Hunt... "A letter was sent out to each merchant advising them of the town's position on this ordinance... no one complained..."

Curt Locklear... "It is hard for me to convince you (to Councilman Hunt) going down town and talking to five merchants and making a decision like this... if you had talked to all of them..."

Etc. Etc. Etc. Etc. Etc.

MOTIONS AND SUBSTITUTE MOTIONS...

After much haggling, discussion, philosophical dissertations, etc., Councilman Larry T. Brooks made a motion to accept recommendation #2 from the committee that reads... "Leave ordinance as is and add a clause which reads... 'in the event the placing of merchandise, etc. on the sidewalks become a problem the governing body (the council) shall take appropriate legal action...'"

Councilman Sam Dial seconded the motion. More discussion followed. Attorney Arlie Jacobs said, "such an ordinance would be difficult to enforce because the wording is vague."

After this, a number of suggestions were made about how far out from the wall of a building a merchant might be

allowed to place merchandise... "3 feet... 4 feet... 50 inches... parallel to the buildings, etc."

Councilman Larry T. Brooks changed the wording of his motion to read, "not to extend out on the sidewalk more than 48 inches..."

Councilman Bob Brewington made a substitute motion. Said Brewington, "I make a substitute motion that we leave it just like it is..."

More discussion followed... Councilman Milton Hunt said, "I don't like the idea of tying it down to a specific distance... we would have people running around with tape measures..."

MAYOR, TOWN MANAGER AND COUNCIL AND ON LOOKERS ADJOURN TO SIDEWALKS

Someone noted that the sidewalks were approximately eleven feet wide... others questioned that.

Mayor Reggie Strickland sometime along about here stood up abruptly and said, "I want the manager and the council to come with me..."

And everyone got up, led by Mayor Reggie Strickland and adjourned to the sidewalks in front of Curt Locklear's hardware-Pembroke Hardware. Tape measures came out. The sidewalks were measured. They were found to be some eleven feet although Councilman Bob Brewington and Mayor Strickland pointed out that that might be misleading since shubery was planted approximately nine feet from the wall of

the hardware building.

After the ad hoc tape measuring session, Mayor Strickland, the council and on lookers retired back to town hall.

After further discussion, Councilman Milton Hunt seconded Councilman Brewington's motion "to leave it (the ordinance) just like it is..."

And they voted... finally.

Voting in favor of the motion were Brewington and Hunt. Voting against the motion were Brooks and Dial.

Although Mayor Strickland had noted earlier in the meeting that... "If it comes down to a tie vote and I have to vote I will vote to enforce this ordinance..." he refused to vote saying, "I have the right not to vote and that's what I intend to do. I am going to schedule another work session on this... we need to study this some more..."

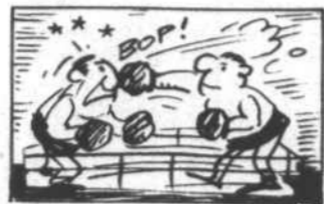
And after more than two hours of

discussion that's what the Pembroke Town Council did Monday night in regard to Ordinance 6-2003 which reads... "No person shall place for display or sale any goods, ware or merchandise upon any of the streets of said town which shall extend out upon the sidewalk..."

ONE OTHER ITEM DISCUSSED...

The council also gave Joe Dial, proprietor of Pembroke Arcade, permission to place two pool tables in his business subject to all the provisions relating to pool rooms. Town Manager noted to Dial that "It is an ordinance that no child under eighteen will be allowed to shoot pool in the Pembroke Arcade unless he has a written permission from his parents... and this statement must be notarized and placed in the hands of the police chief."

The council also corrected a couple of billing errors to tax payers relative to past taxes.



The Queensbury rules in boxing are named for John, the 9th Marquess of Queensbury, a 19th century British boxing administrator.



The first umbrella in the U.S. is believed to have been used in Windsor Conn. in 1740. It produced a riot of merriment and derision.

KITE CONTEST HELD



The Pembroke Jaycees recently conducted their annual Kite Contest with a host of kids on hand of various ages for the occasion. High flyer and winner of the event was Aundria Maynor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rabon Maynor.

All participants feasted on ice cream and soft drinks while they watched their kites soar high in the sky.

Refreshments were donated by Jerry Cummings of Pembroke Tire Service.

Chairman Timothy Strickland, Jr. and the Jaycees would like to thank Mr. Cummings for his donation; Jaycee members Gerald Strickland, Vinson Locklear, and Larry Robers for helping coordinate the contest; and special thanks to all the participants for entering.

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Native American United Methodist Women Present Program

The Native American United Methodist Women presented a program at Prospect United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 16, from 5 until 8:30 p.m. The program was presented in the Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Zelma Locklear, chairperson presided.

Presentors included Mrs. Bernice Ballance, a church and community worker from Harnett County, Fayetteville District Project, Lillington; Mrs. Ethelynde Ballanie, director of christian education for the United Methodist Church, Raeford. Both ladies are deaconesses of a United Methodist Church.

Miss Betty Perkins and Mrs. Elmer T. Lowry presented and inspiring program entitled "Faith and Action." Miss Perkins is in ministry to prisoners and mental patients. Mrs. Lowry is in the ministry of repair and maintenance.

Invocation was by Rev. Dufrene Cummings. Prayer was by Rev. Harvey Lowry. Mr. Theodore Lowry served as song leader.

Nine churches were represented. Refreshments were served by the Prospect United Methodist Women.

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