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reservations for the Spring Barbecue Dinner of the 4-H & Youth Foundation. The event, to be held April 24th, will raise money for the maintenance and expansion of the Columbus youth center.

The Polk County Board of Commissioners meets April 20 at 3 p.m. in the courthouse annex.

The Tryon Town Council meets April 20 at 6:30 p.m. for a public hearing on changes to its zoning ordinance to create a new zoning district in which mobile homes will be allowed on a conditional basis. The regular monthly meeting will follow.

There will be a Rabies Clinic held in Polk County Saturday, April 25th.

The Republicans will hold their Pig Pickin' April 25th at Republican headquarters in Columbus. The six Republican candidates for county commissioner will speak.

The Tryon Little Theater will present *The Diary of Anne Frank* April 30, May 1, 2 and 3. Tickets are on sale now.

Registration for children who will be entering kindergarten next fall will be held May 4 at Tryon Elementary, and May 6 at Saluda School.

The Tryon Community Chorus will present its annual Spring Concert May 22-24.

Fingerprints

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to have killed him.

Smith said he and Jaynes lured Acker to his door by saying they were deer hunters with a broken-down truck. Smith said he walked to the back of the trailer while Jaynes knocked.

Then he heard a shot. Smith said Jaynes yelled for him to come to the front of the trailer and when he did, he saw Acker's lifeless body lying in the hallway and Jaynes over it, holding a rifle.

He said he saw Jaynes take a pistol from his shoe and covered his eyes while Jaynes shot twice more.

Reen Smith

FOR SALE: Couch, chair, two lamps. 863-2389. adv.15,16,17c.

Some School Needs Nixed To Make Way For Polk Central

In order to keep the Polk Central renovation on schedule, Polk County Schools will buy less new equipment this year and next and will postpone some maintenance projects, school board members decided Monday.

The Polk County Board of Education Monday amended its 1991-92 Capital Outlay budget to move \$30,583 not already spent to the Polk Central renovation project.

Polk Central will be converted from a middle/high school to an elementary/middle school in time for school opening in the fall.

In addition, the school board members will use \$170,000 of \$188,050 requested in 1992-93 capital outlay funds for Polk Central. The Polk County Board of Commissioners recently agreed to release the money so the school board could go ahead and award construction contracts.

"Simply, we had to find the money toward those contracts (for the Polk Central project). It wasn't pleasant; we had to look at what we had not spent," explained Supt. James Causby.

Some capital outlay projects this year were switched to the maintenance budget, explained Causby. Planned purchases of band equipment were scratched and the board decided not to go forward with painting the water tank at Polk Central.

In addition, a much needed new roof and site development at Polk Central are not yet budgeted.

Both board members Geoffrey Balkam and Phillip Feagan asked if the equipment needs might be put into the next year's budget. However, that will not be known until the budget is completed, Feagan pointed out.

"We're going to have to live a year without a few of those things," Dr. Causby said.

No action was needed, however, to shift \$85,410 in line item current expense monies.

The largest increase was in staff development, pointed out Dr. Causby. The additional funds were needed not only for summer pay and workshops for the new curriculum, but also for an increase in teachers taking college courses, he explained.

Staff development also

includes increased training sessions for school board members.

Some increase was seen in staff secretarial pay. Dr. Causby explained that the state allocates funds for the basic clerical staff and any additional help is paid for with local money.

Central office supplies also increased due to mailing and copying all the work pertaining to the new OBE curriculum, he said.

Garbage service fees went up because of increased county prices at the landfill, he added.

Some line items decreased because the state came through with more money than was anticipated, Dr. Causby pointed out.

Because state funds are often tied up in political battles throughout the year, some parts of the school budget are guess work at best, explained Dr. Causby.

C. Wharton

School Board Trades For School Property

A potential snag in the Polk Central renovation project may be solved by swapping two school-owned lots on York Drive for acreage adjoining Polk Central.

The Polk County Board of Education Monday approved swapping two out of five lots it owns in the York Drive development near Polk Central. The lots appraised at about \$5,000.

These would be traded for a 1.8-acre parcel of land owned by Jack Walker and for a sewer line easement across some other of his property.

Unless the sewer line can be installed across Walker's property, Polk County Schools may have to rework the entire Polk Central sewer system, Causby said. Presently, the school sewer line drains into a small creek which dries up part of each year, causing the effluent to seep into the ground.

The land which Walker would swap is needed to relocate the planned driveway. It is located at the corner of the Polk Central property on Hwy. 9 where the new road into the school property is planned.

The N.C. Department of Transportation (DOT) is concerned that the planned driveway route crosses a creek which could be classified as wetlands,

explained Dr. Causby. If this is the case, the work to meet environmental regulations would be cost prohibitive, he added.

Therefore, the schools may need Walker's 1.8 acres to plan another drive. The administrators will learn DOT's ruling on the wetland question in a meeting Thursday.

Even if the original drive is not ruled out, it will be best for Polk County Schools to own that piece of property anyway, said Dr. Causby. School board member Geoffrey Balkam, chairman of the facilities committee which recommended the swap with Walker, pointed out that the board had already discussed swapping lots for this property.

Polk County Schools own five lots in a development on Hwy. 9 south before Polk Central on York Drive which the school board bought to sell houses, explained Dr. Causby. The lots have no houses on them presently. Jack Walker will trade his property and a right-of-way for lots 8 and 9 at the end of the York Drive cul-de-sac.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Region C Job Training Plan is available for public review and comment. Anyoe interested in reviewing the plan should come to Isothermal Planning and Development Commission at 101 West Court Street, Rutherfordon, North Carolina, between 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on April 20, 1992.

The Job Training Plan describes programs and allocations under the Job Training Partnership Act Title II-A, II-B, and Title III in Cleveland, McDowell, Rutherford, and Polk counties for the period of July 1, 1992, through June 30, 1993. Any comments after the review should be addressed in writing to Larry Brown, Job Training Administrator, Isothermal Planning and Development Commission, Post Office Box 841, Rutherfordon, North Carolina, 28139. adv.13,14,15,c.