

Aldermen hear request for conditional use permit

The board decided to take more time to allay its concerns about the plans.

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The Carrboro Board of Aldermen voted Tuesday night to continue a public hearing about a request for a conditional use permit to develop a new subdivision.

Kent Woodlands, a 26-unit subdivision at the south-eastern corner of the intersection of Smith Level and Culbreth roads, is split on the annexation boundary between Chapel Hill and Carrboro.



Carrboro Alderman DIANA MCDUFFEE said she was concerned that people might not be able to build homes on lots in the new development.

The part of the subdivision that lies in Carrboro is the second phase of a two-phase project by Barndoor Properties Inc.

While no residents of Carrboro came to the public hearing to voice their opinions on the development, the alder-

men raised questions about some issues. Alderman Diana McDuffee questioned whether too much of the area available for development had been allocated.

Since the site lies within the Jordan Lake Watershed Protection District, only 24 percent of the total area can be built upon, according to a staff report to the board.

Given the size of the lot, a total of 262,698 square feet can be developed. Of this amount, only 139 square feet has been left unallocated.

McDuffee said, "It seemed to me that there is little impervious surface left." She said she was concerned that people who bought lots in the subdivision would not be able to develop their property.

But Phil Post, a town engineer, said each 10,000-square foot lot was given between 3,200 and 3,500 square feet of impervious surface. He said an average house and driveway would only use about 2,200 square feet of impervious surface, so property owners would have leeway for further development.

Some aldermen expressed concern about how much of the wooded area would be left after construction.

Alderman Jacquelyn Gist said, "If there's not much room left for impervious surface, then there's not much left for trees."

Carol Ann Zinn, a representative of

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JACOVELYN GIST
Carrboro Alderman

Barndoor Properties Inc., said the preservation of trees was important to her.

"I have been very disturbed by the clear cutting happening on building lots," she said.

According to the staff report, this project is required to leave 40 percent of the subdivision as open space.

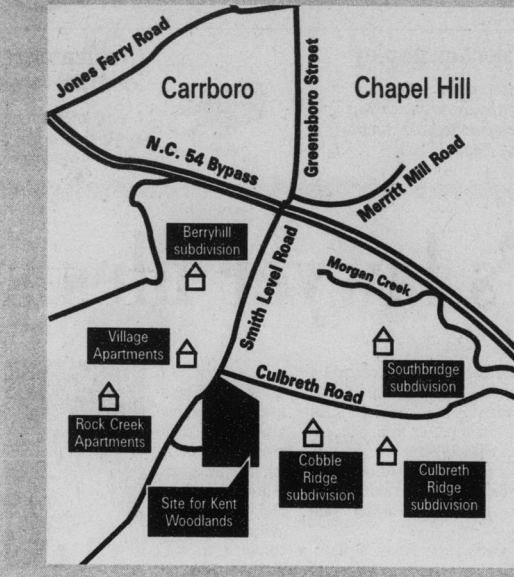
Some of the concern about the destruction of trees centered around an Orange Water and Sewer Authority easement that will run through a large open-space area in the center of the subdivision.

Alderman Jay Bryan said he had been to the site and seen that the area for the OWASA easement had already been cleared.

Since there were concerns about this easement and questions regarding the board's power to regulate OWASA construction, the board voted unanimously to continue the public hearing to its next meeting.

Development rolls on

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen considered an application for a conditional use permit for Kent Woodlands, a new subdivision to be split on the Chapel Hill-Carrboro annexation border.



DTH/ELYSE ALLEY

Local talent stands out at town festival

Carrboro Day was held Saturday after rain once again postponed the event.

BY MICHAEL KANAREK
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After being rained out for the second time in as many years, the "Paris of the Piedmont" finally got to celebrate Carrboro Day on Saturday.

The first Carrboro Day was supposed to occur in May 1995, but it had to be postponed until September. When it rained on the scheduled day in September, there was no planned rain date, and Carrboro Day was once again put off, this time until May 1996, when the event finally took place.

This year's original date of May 3 was also plagued by weather problems.

"We have a history of rain-out problems," said Heather Wagner, a member of the Carrboro Day Planning Committee.

Wagner said the day was the brainchild of Aldermen Jay Bryan and Jacquelyn Gist, who had helped develop the idea as members of the Community Building Committee.

Bryan said Carrboro Day helped showcase the talents of many local artists, musicians and poets.

"We felt like we needed to have a day to celebrate the people here and their gifts."

Mayor Mike Nelson said the day was all about "good music, good art, good neighbors and good fun."

Bob Wright, co-chairman of the planning committee, said Carrboro had grown a lot recently with new residents moving to the area, and that the day was designed to help bring many different groups of people together.

Gist said it was important for people already living in the area to get to know new residents and to let them know about Carrboro's history.

"People move so frequently that they don't have a sense of place," she said. Some of the people involved in the planning of Carrboro Day said they wanted to de-emphasize the commercial aspect that they felt played too large a role in some other festivals.

"This is a different feel from Apple Chill," Wright said.

Bryan said that because of the problems he saw in some of the other local festivals, he was willing to have a smaller turnout in order to keep with the spirit of the day.

"We were looking for other ways ... to create a sense of community and place."

Carrboro Day events included poetry readings, a street dance, storytelling, a potluck dinner, local artists exhibiting their works and a performance by the Bouncing Bulldogs, a rope skipping demonstration team.



Carrboro Alderman JAY BRYAN helped conceive the idea for Carrboro Day.

Animal control reports county's 36th rabies case of year

Officials said residents should vaccinate their pets as soon as possible.

BY KATHERINE BROWN
CITY EDITOR

Orange County Animal Control said Tuesday that it had confirmed the presence of a rabid animal in the northern part of the county, near Lake Orange Road. This is the county's 36th case of rabies so far this year.

More important to Chapel Hill residents was Animal Control's 35th rabies

incident of the year, which occurred May 14 on Homestead Road near Chapel Hill High School.

John Sauls, director of Animal Control for Orange County, said in an interview Tuesday that the Homestead Road incident involved a rabid raccoon that had attacked two dogs in a fenced-in yard.

The raccoon, Sauls said, had somehow scratched or bitten both the dogs inside the area from the other side of the fence.

When the homeowner realized what had happened, Sauls said, the homeowner drove the raccoon from its hiding place, under a wooden platform in the

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JOHN SAULS
Orange County Animal Control Director

back yard, and shot it.

The issue was further complicated, Sauls said, because the homeowner was unknowingly exposed to rabies while cleaning one of the dogs' wounds.

He has since received rabies exposure treatment.

Sauls said people should be careful about where they keep their pets.

"Ideally," he said, "dogs and cats should be kept inside the house at night. Adding that he never recommends chaining an animal to a tree or another stationary object, Sauls said that it is imperative that animals not be allowed to run loose."

He noted that even a fenced-in area is imperfect as a protection from rabies because it can allow other animals to get to someone's pets.

Sauls said that homeowners should wear gloves when exposed to their pets'

blood, but that prevention was the best way to avoid exposing people or their pets to rabies.

"The absolute best protection is a rabies vaccination," he said. "And it is also important that the pet owner be able to locate the vaccination certificate in the event that a rabies problem does arise."

Orange County Animal Control will sponsor two rabies vaccination clinics, one on the northern side of the county and one on the southern side, on Friday, May 30. Rabies vaccines will be administered to pets at the Carrboro Community Center and at Efland Creek School on N.C. 70 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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said. "It is more a time for them to learn how the University and office works."

Regardless of whether Richardson makes his final decision soon or not, Moran said the short period between Birdsall and his successor would not affect the University.

"In any case, there is a contingency plan," she said. "The provost has been thinking about this (and knows Birdsall is leaving soon). There won't be a vacu-

um left if the candidate isn't ready when Stephen Birdsall leaves."

Birdsall was out of town and could not be reached for comment.

The search committee was made up of twenty members, an usually large amount of people for a such a group.

"A large committee was needed because it is such an important position to Carolina," Clark said.

"Sometimes large groups don't work, but our committee worked extremely well," she said.

The search began with about 150

applications obtained from an open search.

The committee sifted through the nominees, viewing candidates' qualifications and experience. They decided on seven individuals to invite to the University for interviews.

From these seven, the committee chose the top three candidates and submitted their respective strengths and weaknesses to Richardson.

"We have outstanding candidates," Moran said. "Any of the three could do an excellent job."

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facility to a 21st century building."

A temporary food facility, which will be constructed during the summer outside Hanes Art Center, will help alleviate crowding in Union Station.

"I ask that everyone bear with us during the construction period," Justice said. "We're all trying to get used to the changes."

"Just know I am still here to give that loving care (my students) always miss."

APOLOGY

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on the UNC campus to discuss their side of what they believe was a racially

motivated arrest and their dealings with Carrboro since the arrest. Burrow said he thought Nelson's actions were a direct response to the conference.

The families are still pursuing the

case. This week, Burrow met with Orange County Human Rights Commission to ask for a review of the case. "We have had one meeting with them," Burrow said. "They are now studying the information."

Lucy Lewis, director of the Orange County Human Rights Department, said the department was determining whether it could take legal or other action. "We're just exploring the situation."

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Lunch	
10:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.	
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closes 2 p.m. Friday, reopens 7:30 a.m. Monday	

For the Record

The May 15 article "Student strikes deal; prosecution deferred" should have stated that Thomas Suddarth did not enter a plea because his prosecution was deferred.

In addition, the article "Town Council makes decision on future of McDade House," also published May 15, should have stated that the moving of the house is expected to begin next month.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the errors.

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