

Ordinance Changed Pool Room Ban Lifted By Board

Norlina commissioners Tuesday night amended a town ordinance which regulates the distance which a pool room must be located from a church.

By unanimous vote the town board specified that pool rooms no longer need be 250 feet from a church, but that 150 feet would be sufficient. The distance had been at the core of a controversy surrounding operation of the town's only pool room.

The move to rewrite the ordinance followed two meetings between com-

missioners and a delegation of petitioners which sought to have Norlina Amusement Center shut down since it stood within 187 feet of the Norlina United Methodist Church. Some 202 town citizens had signed the petition objecting to loud and boisterous noise from the area of the pool room and asking that the pool room's privilege license not be renewed because it stood in violation of the town ordinance.

At a special meeting in mid-August, commissioners ruled that the pool room could be operated for a 30-day period while some decision on the ordinance could be made.

The board members agreed Tuesday night to meet in another special session on September 18 to determine whether to extend the life of the privilege license.

In other action the board unanimously approved a cable television franchise agreement between the town and promoters of a Henderson-based cable TV firm. Approval of the franchise ordinance, which followed a second full reading of the ordinance, is expected to open the way for the wiring of the town for cable television. No move is expected, however, until a similar agreement is signed between promoters and the Town of Warrenton.

Commissioners were also unanimous in their decision to participate in a regional housing opportunity plan which had been proposed at the August meeting by a representative of the Regional K Council of Governments.

Warren County Board Again Tables Measure

The signing of a N. C. State Indian Housing Authority Cooperation Agreement, tabled at the August meeting of the board of county commissioners, was again tabled at the September meeting of the board held here on Tuesday morning, due to the Labor Day holiday on the first Monday.

One of the reasons for postponement of action at the August meeting was that the authority had not notified the commissioners of the site for a proposed housing complex in Warren County. This information still had not been given the commissioners at its Tuesday morning meeting, and the commissioners voted to table the measure until such time as this information is supplied.

The report of Frank Twitty, Dog Warden, as submitted to Glen Newsum, County Manager, read as follows:

Number of dogs picked up, 102; number of dogs killed, 95; number of persons bitten, one; number of dogs confined, one; number of dogs given (Continued on page 10)

Dog Attacks Young Girl

A three-year-old Macon child, Gail Rollinson, was viciously attacked by a stray dog in the yard of her home around 9 o'clock Tuesday morning.

When the child's grandmother, Mrs. Mary Tucker, heard the screams of her granddaughter and saw the dog holding the child to the ground she grabbed a butcher knife and drove the dog away.

The child was taken to Warren General Hospital and treated for wounds on her forehead, chin and right shoulder, and allowed to return home, with instructions to return to the hospital for a check up Wednesday morning. Her mother said that Dr. Trivedi had reported that her daughter was doing well.

Romey Williams, Norlina Police Chief, was in Hunter Drug Store around 9 a. m. Tuesday when Mrs. Rollinson was notified of her daughter being attacked by a stray dog. He said he took the mother to Macon where he found the child had been bitten around the face and on the shoulder and her face covered with blood. He said that the dog was a small mongrel dog, part German Shepherd which had been hanging around the house for several days.

He said that he and Deputy Sheriff Harold Seaman, who had been dispatched to the scene, attempted to capture the dog and he had actually taken a shot at the animal.

When the dog returned to the home, the Sheriff's Department was notified, and Deputy Bobby Bolton went to the scene and killed the dog.

Dog Warden Frank Twitty was in the hospital when the dog attacked the child. He told Deputies to kill the dog and have Henry Holtzman, an employee at the Land Fill take the dog's body to Raleigh for examination for rabies. Due to the lateness of the day, Holtzman took the dog's body to the Land Fill where it was placed in refrigeration until Wednesday morning when Holtzman took it to Raleigh. At noon yesterday no report had been received here.



YOUNGSTER DANCES WITH TRADITION — Eight-year-old Wayahsti Richardson, a Haliwa-Sapouli, has been dancing since he was 18 months old and has won many competitions throughout the country. He will be among the Indian dancers from Warren and Halifax counties performing on the State Capitol grounds Wednesday, Sept. 24, during Indian Heritage Week.

Indian Culture Finds Way To Warren County Library

A little bit of Native American culture has found its way to The Warren County Memorial Library.

As a part of the first annual Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina, Sept. 20-26, 1980, the local library will have a special display on Tar Heel Indians, according to librarian Mary Louise Limer.

Warren County citizens can see the display, which includes a copy of the official proclamation, a large, attractive poster and activity sheets for children, during regular library hours from September 20 to September 30.

Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr. designated the special week "to proclaim and reverence" the heritage of North Carolina Indians. The N. C. Commission of Indian Affairs in the N. C. Department of

Indian Grant Notice Given

A grant of \$19,315 has been awarded to the Warren County Board of Education for the purpose of supporting school programs which are designed to meet the special educational needs of Indians, according to a wire received over the weekend from Second District Congressman, L. H. Fountain, who referred this newspaper to Mike Williams, Superintendent of schools for further details.

Williams said the purpose of the grant was to continue the program put in the schools several years ago.

Administration is coordinating the activities which will include community and statewide observances.

With 50,000 Native Americans, North Carolina has the largest Indian population of any state east of the Mississippi. North Carolina Indians, who live in 96 of the state's 100 counties, comprise five tribes and three major urban concentrations.

For a more detailed schedule of local and statewide Indian Heritage Week activities, contact Mary Louise Limer or the N. C.

Lack Of Money May Bring Public Appeal

Told by the Board of County Commissioners Tuesday morning that the Nutrition Program for the Elderly is entitled to the \$810 placed in the 1979-80 budget for its operation, but not able to secure an extra \$300 to cover a shortfall, its director, Mrs. Joan Hight, told the commissioners that its only recourse was to raise the money through public appeals.

She told the commissioners that the reason for the \$300 debit is that the state had ruled that money for meals donated freely by senior citizens could not be used as matching funds, but must be used for expanding the program.

Chairman Jack Harris told Mrs. Hight that he and the board feels that the program is an excellent one, and one of

Commission of Indian Affairs, P. O. Box 27338; Raleigh, N. C. 27611 or telephone 919-733-5998.

Additionally, the Warren County Memorial Library will sponsor a contest, open to children between the ages of 10 and 15, in three categories, all depicting Indian life.

Posters, cardboard construction and crafts will form the three categories, with a book given as first prize in each division. These projects should be in the library by September 16, Mrs. Limer said.

The few not cut in preparing the budget, he simply did not know where the board could find the money.

Mrs. Hight replied that her only recourse, was to appeal to the public, the churches and civic clubs, and possibly sell Brunswick stew, and other foods.

Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Hight came to the office of the Warren Record where she issued the following statement:

"The nutrition program for the elderly is in need of \$300 matching money for the program. We are calling upon any civic organization, churches and individual citizens who would like to contribute to this worthy cause to please send your contributions to Mr. Gordon B. Hull, 531 South Main Street, Warrenton, (Continued on page 10)

Lack Of Funding Hits School Hard

By BIGNALL JONES

A drastic reduction in the capital outlay appropriation to the school budget by the Warren County Board of Commissioners in their efforts to "hold the tax rate down" has resulted in no funds being budgeted for items needed at the new Warren County High School now under construction between Warrenton and Norlina, Mike Williams, Superintendent of Warren County Schools said in an interview here Friday morning.

The Board of Education, in an effort to complete and equip the new facility, had requested funds in this year's appropriation for furnishings and equipment for the library, science, and home economics departments and bleacher seating in the gymnasium at the new school. The educators had planned, in subsequent years, to request additional funds for such essential items as paving, athletic fields, student lockers and an intercom system.

Williams related that when bids were taken on the final phase of construction at the new school the Board of Education was faced with the choice of constructing all of the necessary buildings without equipping them completely or cutting back on the buildings and providing the athletic fields and more furnishings and equipment. The board of Education chose to delay furnishing and equipping the facility and give priority to constructing the necessary buildings.

So far as the athletic fields are concerned it is hoped that the local National Guard unit can render assistance by completing some of the grading during their regular drills. The school system is in the process of preparing a request for this assistance. However, additional funds would still have to be raised, either publicly or privately, for lights, fencing, stadium seating, and fuel used by the Guard to operate its equipment.

The school system fared slightly better in the appropriation for current operating expenses. An eight percent increase in this year's appropriation will allow the schools to continue most of the services offered last year. In the face of inflation this will be a tight budget year, Williams said, and added a note of concern over the ever-increasing cost of fuel oil, gasoline and utilities.

When the writer mentioned that school boards and boards of county commissioners were clashing over funding for education in many counties Williams said that the system of

funding education in this state often places Boards of Education and Boards of County Commissioners in an adversary relationship. The state funds the personnel and supplies for a basic, but

By State Professor

Special Seminar To Be Held Here

"Our First Amendment Freedoms" will be the topic of a Humanities Seminar to be held in Warren County on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 p. m. beginning September 16 and continuing each Tuesday evening for a total of four weekly sessions.

Professor Sanford Kessler of the Political Science Department at North Carolina State University will lead this seminar which concerns the extremely controversial freedoms guaranteed by our First Amendment.

The group will explore the freedoms of speech, press, and religion through discussion of such specific issues as prayer in the schools, obscenity and pornography laws, and the extent to which an individual may voice his protest against our government.

Dr. Kessler received his Ph.D. from Boston College and has taught at Colgate University and Hamilton College in New York. His field of specialization is political theory and American government. The videotapes will feature Professor Abraham Holtzman who has won State's Outstanding Teaching Award and has held the Alumni Distinguished Professorship.

There is no charge for the seminar.

The Humanities Seminar is jointly sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service. The seminar will meet for approximately one and a half hours a week for a total of four weeks. At the first meeting the professor will introduce the topic, provide important background information, and present the group members with packets containing reading materials and discussion questions.

During the middle two weeks, the professor will withdraw from the seminar in order to encourage discussion of the topic by the individuals themselves. The professor will provide a 25-minute videotaped presentation for each middle session.

The two presentations will be creative programs, prepared in consultation with a media

minimum, educational program and bears the cost of transporting pupils. Local Boards of Education must secure funds from Boards of County Commissioners (Continued on page 10)



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expert for the University's Communications Department, which will be designed to spotlight key issues and trigger the discussion period following the videotape. After the taped presentation the group will discuss questions that the professor had distributed to each member at the initial meeting. This discussion will be steered by a qualified discussion leader from the community.

The professor will then return for the fourth and final meeting to answer all additional questions on the topic and to discuss additional material as well as the points made during the previous three sessions. Each participant will be expected to attend all four sessions.

Any person desiring to participate in the seminar should call Mrs. Bertha Forte at the Warren County Agricultural Extension Service 257-3640. The deadline date for registration is September 9.

Better Tobacco Spurs Increase

Improved quality tobacco triggered a rise in prices last week on the Warrenton Tobacco Market.

Sales Supervisor George W. Shearin said that sales on Thursday were considerably higher than on Tuesday primarily due to more upstake leaf being offered.

On Thursday the Warrenton market sold 326,561 pounds for \$439,124, an average of \$134.47 per hundred pounds.

On Tuesday, by way of comparison, the market sold 350,094 pounds for \$440,701, an average of \$125.88 per hundred pounds.