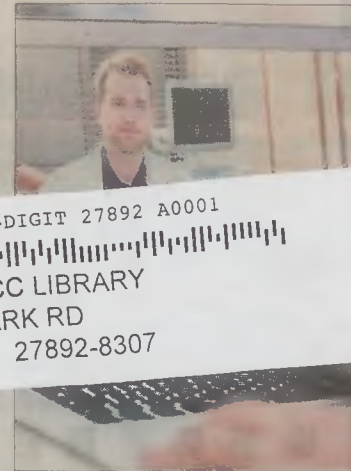


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# Man shot near Lewiston Woodville

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**LEWISTON WOODVILLE** – An incident at a convenience store in Lewiston Woodville may have led to a man being shot Sunday evening. Bertie County Sheriff John

Holley said his office is working “several good leads” in the shooting, which occurred on Piney Woods Road outside of Lewiston Woodville.

Sheriff Holley said his office received a call around 8:20 p.m. Sunday that a per-

son had been shot and was in the roadway at the 800 block of Piney Woods Road. Upon arrival, it was determined the man had been shot multiple times.

The victim was transported to West Bertie Elementary School in Kelford where

he was airlifted to Vidant Medical Center in Greenville. He was in critical condition as of Tuesday, according to information received by the sheriff’s office.

“There was reportedly an incident at a convenience store in Lewiston Woodville

which may have been a factor,” Sheriff Holley said. “We are working several good leads, but welcome any information the public may have.”

Anyone with information

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## No tax hike slated

Budget cut by \$700K in proposal

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**WINDSOR** – No tax hike. Bertie County Manager Juan Vaughan II said his proposed budget for fiscal year 2020-2021 presented reflected no tax increase nor did it provide an appropriation from fund balance.

Vaughan said most funding was level for outside agencies, but county departments cut an average of five percent from their budgets a year ago.

“The proposed funding for the General Fund for FY 2020-2021 is \$24,755,534 which is a decrease of \$736,370 or three percent below the original budget ordinance for the current year, which was \$25,491,904,” Vaughan said in his budget message. “The proposed General Fund budget does not include a fund balance appropriation or an increase in the

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## BERTIE EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL



AMANDA BUNCH / Bertie County Schools

Students at Bertie Early College High School graduated Friday “by appointment” at the school. They were able to receive their diplomas with their families, presented

by BECHS Principal Wanda Cofield and Bertie County Schools’ Superintendent Dr. Otis Smallwood. Staff members cheered each graduate as they entered and exited.



## Arson, B&E solved

Aulander PD makes arrest

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**AULANDER** – An Aulander man is behind bars facing numerous counts related to breaking in and robbing from a home and church, and a related fire.

Aulander Police Chief Jimmy Barmer commended a host of officers from several departments who aided him in the arrest of Dwight Davis, 46, of 407 Chestnut St. in Windsor.

Chief Barmer was patrolling on Sunday, May 24 when he noticed Davis walking with a black trash bag over his shoulder. He turned around and stopped to speak to Davis on South Commerce St. after seeing the latter toss the bag into a ditch.

Upon questioning, Davis said the bag contained trash, but when Chief Barmer opened the bag he located sev-

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## Filing begins for board of education, soil and water

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**WINDSOR** – Filing begins Monday.

Those wishing to seek a seat on the Bertie County

Board of Education or the Bertie County Soil and Water District Supervisor board can begin making their candidacy known next week.

All three seats are non-partisan, and those wishing

to file can do so beginning at noon on Monday, June 8. Filing will continue through noon on Monday, July 6.

The two seats on the school board are for District 1 (Windsor) and District 5

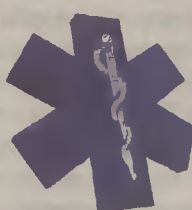
(Indian Woods). They are currently held by Bobby Ocena (District 1) and Tarsha Dudley (District 5).

John Griffin currently holds the seat on the Soil and Water District Supervisors.

Currently, the elections office is closed to the public, but the staff continues to work. Visits are appointment only. Prospective candidates

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