

Republicans

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scale is \$18,00 to \$25,000 annually.

Moubry was the center of controversy during the 1980-81 budget preparation period when he parted company with the Democrats, then the ruling party on the board, in a dispute over the allocation of budget items.

A former county recreation director, Moubry had been named county administrator on a split vote, the three Democrats favoring the appointment, the two Republicans disagreeing. He assumed the new duties in January, 1980 only to run headlong into a divisive dispute with the Democrats, his principal supporters, in the spring.

As the controversy became more heated in the early summer months, Moubry offered on more than one occasion to resign. He finally did resign in late summer, and the situation became a political issue during the fall general election campaign.

One of the first acts taken by the new Republican majority after the November election was to reinstate Moubry as county administrator.

Later, however, his differences with the Republican leadership began to surface, and his resignation, or dismissal, had been expected.

In a statement issued Tuesday, Dr. Phillips said that the board accepted the resignation because Moubry had submitted a budget message calling for a tax rate of 79 cents per \$100 property evaluation. This rate would represent a 29 cent increase over the present budget, or a 58 percent increase, according to Phillips.

"This would mean that, if your tax bill last year was \$100, your tax bill in 1981-1982 would be \$158," Phillips said in the statement.

"It was the feeling of the commissioners that this is out of tune with the present philosophy which the public accepts as wishing a tax reduction, not a massive tax increase," he said

in closing.

The executive session came near the close of a budget work session, but Moubry's budget philosophy was not mentioned in the announcements made by Phillips in connection with the position changes and the resignation.

His resignation and the elimination of the position held by Martin Chriscoe will leave the county on July 1 without anyone in command of administration until the position of county manager is filled. Parker Lynch, who has experience in administration and planning, by that time will be handling the duties of public works and landfill management on a fulltime basis.

County Attorney John M. May advised the board Monday on the differences between a county manager and an administrator, the two types of county government provided under North Carolina law.

May explained that a manager's duties are clearly defined in state law and the commissioners cannot strip him of specific duties, although they can dismiss him without grievance procedures if they are displeased with his work. The attorney said that the administrator carries out those duties assigned by the commissioners, who may change those duties at their pleasure.

As of 1977, some 80 of the state's 100 counties had the county manager form of government.

At the close of the executive session the board also voted to name Lynch to head public works and the landfill and to combine the positions of fire marshal and emergency management director with Joe Adams to handle these duties. Lynch has been handling both public works and planning. Adams has been fire marshal and assistant emergency management director.

Martin Chriscoe has been serving as purchasing agent and

emergency management director. The duties of purchasing duties will be turned over to the new finance officer, Kai Nelson.

All of the personnel changes announced after the executive session were approved without dissent, although the two Democratic members did not voice their votes on any of the motions.

Other resignations were announced Monday: Johnnie Brown and Patsy Salmon, who work in the tax and finance offices; and Eddie Elkins, director of the Child Support Enforcement (IV-D) agency.

Changes in the tax office had been predicted.

Phillips advised that Dewitt Purvis had said he would like to continue in the tax office as appraiser.

Commissioner Tony Parker said he told Dewitt Purvis "two months ago that a lot of people think there ought to be a change." Parker added that since the tax supervisor "has expertise in the field and has given loyal service, he has agreed to accept an in-house promotion."

Commissioner Lee Williams took issue with the word "Agreed," and charged that Purvis had no choice. Williams pointed out that Mark Liddell is not certified as a tax supervisor.

Liddell will become certified as soon as possible, Phillips said. The Democrats did not fight the change, and the motion to name Liddell was approved unanimously.

The duties of the tax collector will be turned over to Liddell.

Purvis will be taking the job held by Gary Mofield until two months ago, when Mofield was informed that he would not be continued on the job as county appraiser. Mofield was asked to leave at the end of a probationary period on the job.

Rhoades was named to the social services board on a split vote with Democratic Commissioners Arthur Purvis and Williams voting against his appointment.

Rhoades, who will succeed Williams, became embroiled in controversy last year when the Democratic-controlled board refused to reappoint him to his seat on the social services board. Rhoades was serving as

chairman at the time. Williams, also a former chairman, is no longer eligible to serve.

In the fall Rhoades was under consideration as the Republican nominee to succeed James M. Craven on the board of commissioners. Craven's seat was up for Republican grabs after he was elected to the legislature in November.

The Democrats protested the Rhoades nomination, however, and the Republicans finally compromised by appointing an Aberdeen resident, Coolidge Thompson, to the Craven seat.

Parker reported that law does not require that a commissioner serve on the social services board but that the person must be appointed by the commissioners. He then suggested that the social services board be asked to invite the commissioners, on a rotating basis, to attend meetings as visitors.

Other appointments made Monday include:

Fire Service Board—Cranford Garner, to join the chairman of the commissioners and the fire marshal.

Library Board—Truby Skinta, Suzanne Watkins, Sue McDuffie, and Barbara Richie Marsh, succeeding Watts Auman, J.C. Phillips, Martha Thomas, and Rex McDonald, chairman.

Moore County Industrial Revenue Bond and Pollution Control Authority—Jimmy Good and Mike McCrann, succeeding Bill Samuels, chairman, and Frank Thigpen.

Appointment of Ewing to the economic development position represents the dismissal of Cathy Bryant, who had been serving as interim director since the resignation in December of director Homer Faulk. Ms. Bryant had worked in that office previously as administrative assistant.

The position of secretary in the economic development office was retained.

Ewing, who is vice-chairman of the Pioneer Service Corporation, had been mentioned prominently as a candidate for the job of county manager. Pioneer is the non-profit corporation handling the financing of the new county courts facility. He is a Republican and a former county commissioner.

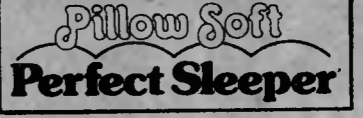
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TOWN OF SOUTHERN PINES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Town of Southern Pines anticipates having the following employment opportunities available on or about July 1, 1981.

LABOR SUPERVISOR FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE (1 position available). This position will be in the Building and Grounds Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department and will be under the direct supervision of the Maintenance Superintendent and Horticulturist. Under general direction this position will perform highly responsible supervisory work in the development and implementation of an overall grounds maintenance plan for Town properties; including turf care, soil analysis, seeding programs and other related beautification projects. Applicants should have an AAS degree in horticulture supplemented by experience in the areas of Landscape/Grounds Maintenance; or an equivalent combination of education and experience. The salary range will be \$9,228-13,351 annually and the minimum starting salary may vary depending upon experience and qualifications.

LABOR SUPERVISOR FOR LANDSCAPING/TREE MAINTENANCE (1 position available). This position will be in the Building and Grounds Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department and will be under the direct supervision of the Maintenance Superintendent and Horticulturist. Under general direction this position will perform highly responsible supervisory work involving a variety of arboriculture techniques and procedures in addition to the monitoring of public utility and contract tree pruning/trimming in accordance with Town standards. Responsibilities will also include the development and implementation of a Tree Replacement Program. Applicants should have an AAS degree in horticulture supplemented by experience in the areas of Landscape Care and Arboriculture; or an equivalent combination of education and experience. The salary range will be \$9,228-\$12,351 annually and the minimum starting salary may vary depending upon experience and qualifications.

LABORER II (1 position available). This position will be in the Building and Grounds Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department and will be under the direct supervision of the Labor Supervisor of either Grounds Maintenance or Landscaping/Tree Maintenance. Under immediate to general supervision this position will perform a variety of skilled to semi-skilled tasks in technical aspects of grounds and/or tree maintenance. The position will be required to obtain a thorough knowledge of equipment operating details in line with applicable safety precautions in the area of assigned work. Applicants should be high school graduates (or GED) preferably supplemented by college level course work in horticulture; or an equivalent combination of education and experience. The salary range will be \$7,595 - \$10,174 annually and the minimum starting salary may vary depending upon experience and qualifications.

It should be noted that the staffing for these positions is contingent upon a proposed reorganization of the Town's existing administrative structure and the necessary and related operating budget appropriations as part of the Town of Southern Pines Fiscal year 1981-82 Budget.

Employment applications may be obtained at either one of the Town Offices at the corner of U.S. Highway #1 and Morganton Road or S.E. Broad Street. Completed applications and resumes will be received at these two locations until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 1981 and if mailed should be sent to the Town of Southern Pines, Attention: Assistant Town Manager, P.O. Box 870, Southern Pines, N.C. 28387. For further information, contact E.J. Vaughn, Town Horticulturist at phone number 919/692-7021 or Eric M. Williams, Assistant Town Manager, at phone number 919/692-2206.

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Visit Of Bloodmobile To West End Is Success

Chairman J.B. Hill, Moore County Blood Service chairman, this week issued the following statement:

"Our bloodmobile visit to Stanley Furniture Company, West End, on Wednesday, May 27 proved quite successful. In fact, I think this visit was an all-time record for the site, in that we more than met our estimated goal. At least it was a record during the one year I have been Blood Services Chairman, and, according to one of the volunteers, a first during her four years of working with the bloodmobile. Our estimated goal for the visit was to have 75 register to collect 60 pints of blood. We had 86 register to collect 74 pints, nine of these being first time donors."

"The success of the visit can be attributed to three people, who were Don Coughlin, Personnel Manager for Stanley Furniture, who was first in line to donate his 27th pint and recruited 45 of his employees to donate; Billy Poley, site director, for publicizing the visit with posters and person to person contact and being present to assist with operations all during the visit; Eagle Scout John Ray, who with fellow members of Troop 98, did an outstanding job of publicizing the visit by appearing at community functions to show film, make speeches, asking ministers of churches to announce the visit, recruiting donors by door-to-door contact.

"The 'Front Line' workers, the volunteers, for this visit performed in their usual commendable manner. They were: Jeanette Ritter, Earl Auman, Joyce Auman, Barbara Kerr, Janie Monroe, Helen Jackson, Ida Eller, Walter Poley (RN), Lillian McDonald, Eva Clark, Virginia McDonald, Pearl Frye (LPN), Velma Currie (LPN), and Gay Martin (RN).

"Prior to the start of operations at Stanley Furniture I had the honor of presenting Certificates of Appreciation to the Union Pines High School Students and two faculty members for their volunteer services during bloodmobile visits to their school. They were: Faculty—Mrs. Mary Ruth Whitaker and Mrs. Carolyn Fitch, advisors—coordinators, recruiters of both donors and volunteer workers for the

bloodmobile visits—My personal thanks to you both for an outstanding job; Students—Garrett Arnold, Wanda Asbill, Scott Athens, Sue Bibey, Carol Blue, Rodney Bridgers, Martha Cameron, Doug Collins, Andy Council, Jeannie Cummings, Eric Dattler, Annette Davidson, Lynne Denny, Chris Eldridge, Edward Faulk, Keith Fuquay, Doug Graham, Lester Hodges, Rhonda Holder, Rose Hopkins, Patti Home, Laurie Johnson, Lisa Johnson, Lisa Kerr, Andy Kiser, Mark Metcalf, Doug McCrimmon, Frank McCulloch, Trilliss McKeithen, Robin McKenzie, David McLean, Tim Nickens, Michael Parker, Sheila Peele, Valeria Phillips, Jerry Paulus, Walter Rea, Frankie Ring, Mike Robins, Suzanne Starling, Chris Stewart, Brent Walton, Madison Williams, Sherry Williams, and Steve Wilson.

"On Friday, May 29, with the assistance of Jean Cooke, Executive Secretary for Moore County Chapter, I had the honor of presenting Certificates of Appreciation to Faculty-Student members of Pinecrest High School. This was conducted over the school's television system. They were: Faculty—Mrs. Phyllis Brock and Mrs. Frances Sledge, Advisors—Coordinators of the bloodmobile visits, who are doing a super job; Students—Matthew Alpetter, Maria Bailey, Goldie Barber, Becky Barner, Jennifer Borroughs, Deneen Canady, Yvonne Conwell, Kevin Dragnett, Laura Faircloth, Tony Frye, Eric Gentry, Mark Gordon, Susan Graham, Sandy Grimm, Azalia Hailey, Amanda Hampton, Mark Hanna, Ginger Hamner, Tracey Hopkins, Taylor Hyde, Lillian Kearns, Amy Lancaster, Lisa McArthur, Mark McBrayer, Cassandra McNeill, Denise Mitchell, Marsha Monroe, Holly Morris, Lisa Newton, David O'Donnell, Sonia Russ, Shelia Snipes, Marianne Thomas, Kelly Walsh, Tracey Walsh, Pam Warner, Holly Whitlock and Scott Williams.

"We have two scheduled bloodmobile visits during June, one open to the public and the other by the sponsor only. They are: Tuesday, June 9, Southern Pines United Methodist Church, sponsored by Pride-Trimble; Wednesday, June 17, Moore Memorial Hospital—open to the public."