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Warsaw Board Votes To Raise Trash Collection Fees

By Emily Killette

The Warsaw town board voted to raise the trash collection fees for residential customers by one dollar during their meeting Nov. 13.

Businesses in Warsaw will be charged on a user-type basis for trash collection, said Thurman Gaster, superintendent of public works. At the September meeting of the Warsaw board of commissioner, Gaster was instructed to set a fee for each town merchant according to the amount of trash collected at the individual stores.

The town board felt trash collection fees should be raised because the town was losing money by picking up trash at the present rates. According to Gaster, trash is collected from each business once a day, and trips to the landfill in Rose Hill are made four times a day, each time with a loaded truck. Gaster said that each day it costs the town \$28 in fuel to go to the landfill and this figure did not include the wear and tear on the trucks. Both increases in the residential and business trash collection fees

passed the board by unanimous vote.

The town board also passed a motion to install mercury lights in the downtown area of Warsaw for a trial of 90 days. During the October board meeting, Johnnie Hollingsworth of the Chamber of Commerce recommended the lighting change as part of the revitalization project for the downtown area. Kermit Anderson of CP&L explained to the board in October that the mercury vapor lights would show truer colors and produce more light than the present sodium vapor lights. Commissioner W.E. Foster made a motion that the lights be installed on a temporary basis and if the downtown merchants had objections to the lights after 90 days, the lights would be changed back to sodium bulbs. The motion passed unanimously.

Jerry Turner of Recreation and Parks Consultants in Raleigh presented the town board with a base plan for the construction of a municipal park in Warsaw. Turner's figures were based on contracting the complete project through as many individual contracts as the

town decided, but Turner recommended only two contracts, an electrical and a general construction. The figures also did not include any allowance for work which could be done by the town employees. All figures were based on other persons doing the work. Turner pointed out that the plans could be changed to allow the town employees to do as much of the work as possible on the project. Figures presented to the board by Turner included the construction of a ballfield with lights, \$36,000; building a concession stand with a storage area and restrooms, \$18,000; constructing a graveled parking lot, \$8,500; adding a tot-lot, \$4,470.50; constructing fences, \$1,840; building walks, \$5,306.60; and adding a picnic area, \$1,500. The total cost of the proposed park is \$96,000, and the consultants' fee is an additional \$9,400. Warsaw has available a budget of \$100,000 from a dollar-for-dollar matching fund grant.

After a discussion of the proposed plans for the park, a special meeting was set for Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m. for the board to meet with the recreation commission to revise the plans.

A public hearing was also set to explain the New Horizons Program, which is part of a fair-housing effort developed by HUD. The program will involve the selection of a six-member committee from the town of Warsaw which will meet quarterly and make suggestions to the commissioners about fair-housing in Warsaw. The committee is to be made up of a town commissioner, a real estate person, a banker, a minority leader, and two citizens, all of whom will not receive any pay, said Charles Joyner, the town engineer. Joyner told the board that the New Horizons program will have to be underway by Nov. 23 in order for the town to benefit from any extra points on the next application to HUD for housing rehabilitation funds. At the October board meeting the commissioners passed a fair-housing ordi-

nance in order to receive bonus points on the next HUD application, but missed the deadline. The board voted to establish a New Horizons committee, but no appointments were made at that time.

A public hearing will also be held at the beginning of the December board meeting to discuss the rezoning of the area around the CP&L substation in Warsaw. CP&L has plans to expand the station.

Three appointments were made to the Warsaw Planning Board. They were Brooks Boyette, Nathan Costin and William Phelps. Three re-appointments were made on the Warsaw ABC Board. They are Mayor Sam Godwin, Roy Barwick and James G. Henry. The board also voted to hire Helen Benton as Warsaw tax collector.

Kenansville Garbage Pick-Up Schedule

According to Kenansville Public Works Director Larry Hoffman, the garbage collection schedule will be ob-

served and employees will not work Thursday, Nov. 22, but collections will be made Friday for both the Thursday and Friday routes.

Wallace Leaking Water Main Repair To Cost \$5,000

Repair of a leaking 6-inch water main on Railroad Street will cost Wallace about \$5,000, Tom Davidson, public works director, informed the Board of Commissioners of the town last week.

Davidson said the town had permission from the railroad to do the work. A hole 32 by 8 feet will have to be dug on one side of the track, and 30 by 5 feet on the other side so a hydraulic ram can be run under the railroad. The railroad company has requested 22 copies of the repair plans, and 11 copies of descriptive material on how the work will be done, Davidson said. He said the water flow will have to be blocked in the line on both sides of the railroad. Water pressure will be low during the one- or two-day period the work is in progress. "Pray we don't have a fire during that time," he said.

Recreation Director Mitch Ferguson told the board paving had been started on the tennis courts in Clement Park. He reported lights at the courts will be controlled by coin-operated meters. Fees will be determined after cost information has been established, he added.

Newly-elected members of the town board will be sworn in at the next regular meeting Dec. 13. They attended the brief meeting last week.

The new mayor will be Melvin Cording, who succeeds Charles Farrior, who retired. New commission members are Charlie Blanchard and N.H. Carter. They are succeeding Harry Carlton and Thomas Townsend, neither of whom ran for reelection. Also to be sworn in is Arnold Duncan, who was re-elected. Other board members are Willie Biggs and Lloyd Boone.



TURKEY LASAGNA - Emmie Whitley of the North Carolina Poultry Federation displays a dish of turkey lasagna which she says can be made from leftover Thanksgiving turkey. She was at the DUPLIN TIMES office last week.

Turkeys Cheaper This Thanksgiving

by Emily Killette

Turkeys are expected to be six to eight cents cheaper this Thanksgiving than last year, said Emmie Whitley, home economist for the North Carolina Poultry Federation.

The 1978 production rate of turkeys was 19 million and North Carolina alone grew more turkeys than were consumed by the entire United States within three months of that year, Mrs. Whitley said. She also added that Duplin County is ranked second in turkey production in North Carolina, and ranks fourth in broilers and seventh in eggs.

According to Mrs. Whitley, poultry is the most economical buy in America, and Americans are eating more than ever before. She also added that poultry is highest in protein of all cooked meats, while it is still low in calories.

During the upcoming holidays, Mrs. Whitley suggested that the homemaker plan to serve turkey, which has been considered the feast food since the first Thanksgiving Day. She added that homemakers with small families might want to

buy turkey parts instead of a whole turkey, or she might want to buy the whole turkey but have it cut into halves or quarters which can be frozen until needed. Mrs. Whitley also suggested the use of a roasting hen instead of a turkey if the family is small.

Here are some tips on buying a turkey to suit the homemaker's need. Mrs. Whitley said, when shopping for a turkey, allow 3/4 to one pound of turkey per person for turkeys under 12 pounds, and for those over 12 pounds, allow 1/2 to 3/4 pound per person. Also, be sure that the turkey is frozen and there are no tears in the plastic covering. Mrs. Whitley added that the larger the turkey, the more meat per bone ratio there would be, and the more economical the buy.

Mrs. Whitley emphasized that turkey does not have to be roasted. It can be prepared in several other ways, such as fried, butter-broiled or barbecued. And, turkey left over after the Thanksgiving meal can be frozen for later use. Mrs. Whitley said the broth can also be frozen for later use with the turkey. She added that turkey should be frozen according to how it

will be used in the future -- in slices for meals with vegetables or sandwiches, or diced for use in casseroles. Mrs. Whitley also suggested that the homemaker try making an extra serving of dressing and freeze it to have later with the turkey.

When stuffing a turkey, Mrs. Whitley said, allow 3/4 to one cup of stuffing per pound of turkey, and do not stuff the turkey too tightly. A turkey stuffed too tightly could explode in the oven, she warned.

Some hints on thawing turkeys are to refrigerate three to four days, or to place the turkey in its original wrapping in a grocery bag on a tray at room temperature for one hour per pound of turkey, or to place the turkey still wrapped in its plastic covering in cool water, changing the water once each half hour and allowing 30 minutes per pound. Mrs. Whitley added that any combination of these three methods can be used to thaw a turkey.

After the turkey has been placed in the oven, there are three ways to test for doneness, Mrs. Whitley said. The first test is to use a meat thermometer inserted into the thigh, registering 180°-185°F. Another way is when the thickest part of the drumstick feels soft when pressed with the fingers, and the last test of doneness is when the drumstick and thigh move easily. An average 12-pound stuffed turkey will take about 4 1/2 hours to cook in a preheated 325° oven, while a 20 pound stuffed turkey will take 6 1/2 hours to cook, Mrs. Whitley said.

Mrs. Whitley suggested that the homemaker be creative this Thanksgiving and serve leftover turkey in many different ways so the family will not become bored.



CHORUS MEMBERS AT E.E. SMITH JR. HIGH - The 8th and 9th grade chorus at E.E. Smith is taught by Valerie McCoy and the are, left to right, front row, Amanda Rich, Liz Kornegay, Emily Farrior, Allyson Stroud, Lisa Norris, Charlene Stroud, Joy Whaley, Delois Dunk, Suzanne McCaulley; second row, Karen Ezzell, Jacqueline Carr, Thomas Outlaw, Larry Kornegay, William Monk, Wiley Williams, Tina Jones, Colleen James, Holly

Chestnutt; third row, Kim Grady, Janet Brock, Bland Casteen, Karen Wallace, Marshall Winters, Yvette Matthis; fourth row, Joan Nethercutt, Felicia Washington, Margo Jenkins, Sherita Mathis, Regenia Brown, Karen Tuten; fifth row, Eric Outlaw, Lynn Bolin, Lynwood Harper, Kimberly Washington; sixth row, Bobby Benson, Jessie Brown, Eric Best, Mark Rector, Gilbert Buckner. Not pictured is Patrick Williams.



CHORUS OFFICERS AT E. E. SMITH - Officers for the 8th and 9th grade chorus for 1979-80 are, bottom row, Emily Farrior, 8th grade, co-president; Holly Chestnutt, 9th grade, vice-president; Joy Whaley, 9th grade,

secretary; top row, Karen Wallace, 9th grade, co-president; Bobby Benson, 8th grade; treasurer; Felicia Washington, 9th grade, reporter.