

County Board Hears Pleas For Planned Development

The county board's first meeting of 1959 was marked by pleas for county zoning and future planning. Appearing before the board yesterday morning at the courthouse were D. G. Bell and Joe DuBois, Morehead City, who advocated zoning and planning; N. L. Walker and Pat Warren, of the Emeritus Club, who presented information they had gathered on county zoning; and W. H. Potter, president of the Beaufort Community Development Corp.

Mr. Potter, who was appointed to a county resources development authority, informed the board that the group had never met. Others on the authority are county commissioner Harrell Taylor and Joe DuBois.

Commissioner Taylor called a meeting at noon yesterday to organize and suggest two additional members. Mr. Potter requested \$800 from the county to make an aerial survey of Beaufort, Morehead City, and the Newport River basin, part of the money also to be used for printing brochures.

The primary purpose of the work, he said, would be to help the state decide where to locate the bridge across Newport River between Beaufort and Morehead.

The county board said it would be better for the development authority to organize, before talking money. Mr. Potter, who has also been appointed to the Beaufort-Morehead airport authority said he considered it a waste of time to be on such groups unless the county furnished money for them to work with.

Moses Howard, chairman of the board, suggested it might be well for the airport authority to determine what the needs are at the airport and present the proposal to the county.

Prior to Mr. Potter's statements, the board approved a resolution requested by D. G. Bell, county legislator, which states that a county is interested only in a bridge location that is convenient and safe for those using it, a location that offers the utmost for future development, and one that will allow for expansion of the Morehead City port.

Copies of the resolution are to be sent to the State Ports Authority, the State Highway Commission, the Department of Conservation and Development, and Southern Railway.

Mr. Potter said that if the \$800 for the aerial survey is not forthcoming from the county, private citizens will finance the work.

Mr. Bell suggested that the county board pass a resolution opposing the proposal for another ocean fishing pier on Bogue Banks. The commissioners said they had already acted on the matter at the last meeting and they had no authority to oppose the pier.

Mr. DuBois echoed statements by Mr. Bell which cited the importance of planning for the future and zoning Carteret on a county basis. He said that in 25 years, the population of the county will double.

Mr. DuBois was invited to meet with Mr. Bell and county commissioners relative to introducing legislation this year which will enable the county to enact a zoning ordinance.

The board accepted information from Joe Beam of the John L. Crump insurance office and agreed to take it under consideration. Mr. Beam presented a quotation on liability insurance for county and board of education properties.

Attending the meeting were commissioners Harrell Taylor, Skinner Chalk, Gaston Smith, and David Yeomans, as well as the chairman.

A cold wave hit the county Sunday night as the temperature plunged to 25 degrees and strong northwest winds caused small craft warnings to go up along the coast.

Weather observed Stamey Davis reports that the mercury dropped to 25 after 11 p.m. Sunday and was still recording 25 at 8 a.m. yesterday. The cold snap put an end to the mild weather enjoyed the first three days of the new year.

Warm, rainy weather was recorded the first three days with the temperature climbing as high as 61 on Thursday and Friday. Mr. Davis measured .9 inch of rain between Thursday and Saturday.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and wind direction for the new year follow:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Thursday	61	36	SE
Friday	61	46	SE
Saturday	59	44	NE
Sunday	55	41	SW

Negro Woman Abandons Children, Sent to Jail

Ethan S. Davis III Wins Eagle Scout Award Sunday



Ethan S. Davis III
... Eagle Scout

Jane C. Fair, Beaufort, was sentenced to six months in women's prison for abandoning her children. County recorder's court judge Lambert Morris handed down the sentence in court Friday.

The Negro woman was the only defendant to draw a jail term. The heaviest fine was levied against Peter John Scory. He was fined \$125 and ordered to pay court costs after being convicted of driving drunk, speeding and careless and reckless driving.

Phillip C. LeClair and Eugene Leonard, charged with breaking, entering and larceny, waived preliminary hearing. Judge Morris set bonds at \$300 for LeClair and \$500 for Leonard to appear in superior court. James Reels, charged with hit and run, posted a \$500 bond and waived preliminary hearing.

Leamon Garner, Newport, was given 60 days in which to pay all fines and costs due the court. He was fined \$10 plus costs for trespassing and taxed costs for breaking and entering. Judge Morris suspended a one-year jail term.

Edward Barrett was also given 60 days in which to pay his fine and court costs. He was fined \$15 for public drunkenness. He got a six-month suspended sentence.

Roy Teel paid \$10 and costs for drunkenness and assault. Also paying \$10 and costs was Ronald W. Rolison, found guilty of improper passing and running a stop sign.

Those who paid costs follow: Ernest Jones, William Franks and Elira McGee, public drunkenness; Gwendolyn W. Morning, failure to yield the right of way; and Odum W. McLelland, following too close.

John A. Willis paid one-half costs for driving on the wrong side of the road. The state elected not to try Walter Joyner, charged with damaging property.

The court declared two defendants to be the victims of malicious prosecution. They were Charlie McCormick and George Dudley. Both had been charged with assault.

Robert I. Hill forfeited a bond rather than appear for trial. He was charged with driving drunk and causing an accident. Judge Morris ordered the bond forfeiture struck off the record and Hill to be brought in for trial.

The state continued 31 cases.

Newport Firemen Stop Woods Fire on NC 24

Newport firemen successfully battled a woods fire across NC 24 from the Jump and Run Service Station near Gales Creek yesterday afternoon.

Morehead City firemen were alerted and were prepared to join the fight if the fire showed signs of getting out of control. The fire threatened several buildings but damaged none.

Meeting Postponed

The Beaufort town board did not meet last night. Dan Walker, town manager, announced that a meeting may be called later this month.

New Presbyterian Pastor

The Rev. Charles L. Kirby, above, began pastoral duties Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, Morehead City.

Michael Scott Suffers Serious Head Injuries in Auto-Bicycle Collision

Mayor Greet's First Ship for '59



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Others in the picture are as follows: seated, left to right, Walter Friederichs, port operations manager, Robert Hicks, shipping agent for Heide & Co., and Walter H. Zingelmann, lumber exporter. Standing, left to right, chief engineer Fredrik Westhof and chief officer G. Van Vliet.

While the Sommelesdyk was still in port, the second ship of the year docked. The Jeppesen Maersk came in to pick up a cargo of tobacco for the Far East.

In a luncheon aboard the Sommelesdyk Friday, Mr. Friederichs pointed to the growth of the Morehead City port. He said that 127 commercial vessels docked at the port in 1958, compared to 98 in 1957. The number of tobacco ships increased from 43 to 70 during the same period.

Mr. Friederichs said that tonnage figures and other information would be released later.

Sheriff Issues Stern Warning

Sheriff Hugh Salter yesterday warned owners of cattle on the outer banks that unless the livestock are taken off by Jan. 15, the animals will be shot.

According to law, all goats, pigs, sheep and cows on the outer banks were to be removed by July 1. Some were taken off, but quite a few still remain.

Not only will the livestock be destroyed, but owners are subject to fines up to \$100 or imprisonment.

Driver Starts New Year in Jail

Too much celebrating New Year's Eve meant jail for S/Sgt. Morris Watkins, a serviceman stationed at Cherry Point.

Watkins, in his 1955 Chevrolet failed to make a curve on the Lennoxville Road Wednesday night, about a mile east of the highway 70 intersection. The car struck a telephone pole, broke it in three pieces, rolled over several times and burned.

Deputy sheriff Bruce Edwards, who investigated, took Watkins and another man in the car with Watkins, to the Morehead City hospital where they were given emergency treatment.

Watkins was put in jail, charged with driving drunk, speeding, careless and reckless driving, and damage to private property, the telephone pole. Phone service in the area was disrupted because of the crash.

Burglars Clean Out Mack's Place

Burglars cleaned out almost everything except the beer at Mack's on the Lennoxville Road sometime between 11:30 p.m. Friday and daybreak Saturday.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said Mack's was entered by breaking a glass in a side door. Cigars, cigarettes, and food, plus about \$100 from the juke box and game machines were stolen.

The theft was discovered Saturday by Leo Mathis who operates the place.

SPA to Meet

The State Ports Authority will meet Jan. 11 and 12 at Fayetteville. On the agenda will be letting of a contract for a study of the location of a bridge to replace the present Morehead City drawbridge across Newport River.

GD Sets Maximum Amounts Available on Storm Repair

The federal office of Civil Defense last week set the top amounts to be allowed three communities in Carteret for temporary repair of hurricane Helene damage.

Beaufort's ceiling was the highest, \$87,266, followed by \$49,230 for Morehead City, and \$6,547 for Emerald Isle.

The figures are merely estimates of what it will (or has) cost the communities to get back to normal after September's hurricane. Dan Walker, Beaufort town manager, said the approval doesn't mean that the communities will be handed checks for those amounts.

The towns first have to do the work and any work that fits into the law as "temporary" will be paid for with federal funds.

Both the state and federal government sent engineers to this area after the storm to help make estimates.

Beaufort suffered considerable damage to its sewage system as well as in tree damage and loss. Relative to requests by individuals in outlying areas for federal help, engineers who made surveys said they doubted if any of the work requested would qualify as "temporary." Applications for such work were to be made to Gray Hassell, engineering consultant for the county. Deadline for applications was Dec. 31.

Boy Recovers
Charles L. King, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn King, Raleigh, continues to improve at the Morehead City Hospital. Charles and his father were accidentally shot at Merrimon Dec. 28. Charles, the more seriously wounded, was in a critical condition for several days.

A Merry 'Old Christmas'



Tonight is Twelfth Night, or Epiphany, and at Rodanthe on the outer banks "Old Christmas" is celebrated with an oyster roast and appearance of Old Buck, the bull of the Hatteras woods which traditionally makes his appearance on Twelfth Night. This night designates the end of the 12 days of Christmas.

Old Buck is pictured right above with his masked keeper on Aycock Brown's Christmas card. Mr. Brown, simply referred to as "Aycock" by everybody in eastern Carolina, sent his Christmas greetings out this year so that they would arrive in keeping with the Old Christmas celebration. Aycock and his family live in Manteo where Aycock is publicist for the Dare County Tourist Bureau.

Twelfth Night commemorates the appearance of the three wise men who paid homage to the infant Jesus. During the Middle Ages the event was commemorated with solemn church plays, but in Elizabethan England, solemnity gave way to masques and revelry.

It is this tradition from merry old England that was carried to the New World by the early English settlers who were the first to put their roofs down on the outer banks of North Carolina.

Present-day generations still practice the custom at Rodanthe, feasting and making merry, a climax to a joyous holiday season.

Michael Scott, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Scott, Morehead City, was seriously injured when he collided with the front fender of a 1947 DeSoto driven by Charles Johnson, 48, of 1508 Avery St., Morehead City, about 4:30 p.m. yesterday.

Michael, riding a girl's bicycle, came out of the east alley on the north side of the 1200 block of Evans Street. Johnson was driving west on Evans.

Johnson told a NEWS-TIMES reporter that he saw the little boy coming down the alley and put on his brakes. The DeSoto skidded 48 feet and collided with the bicycle, then skidded for 42 feet more and plowed into the rear of a 1956 Buick parked on the south side of Evans Street.

The Buick, owned by George D. Willis, Morehead City, was knocked 51 feet and came to rest on the sidewalk between two trees.

(Police Capt. C. E. Bunch, who investigated at the scene of the accident, reported that Johnson had four slick tires. A. P. Adams, a mechanic for Parker Motors, said that the right front wheel did not have a brake).

Persons attracted by the noise saw Johnson jump out of his car, run to the child, pick him up and put him in Graydon Willis's station wagon. Willis took the boy to the hospital in his car.

Dr. L. J. Norris examined the still-unconscious boy and said he had a concussion and possible skull fracture. Results of x-rays were not available when the paper went to press yesterday evening.

Patrolman J. C. Steele pointed out that the bicycle struck the side of the front fender. That would indicate that the bicycle ran into the car, the patrolman said.

Charges against Johnson are pending. He said that he knew he had slick tires and bad brakes but always drove carefully and slowly.

35 Attend Bond Hearing Monday At Courthouse

Opinion Seems Evenly Divided on How to Pay
Wiley Taylor Requests Specific School Plans

Thirty-five persons in addition to public officials discussed schools and the school bond matter yesterday afternoon at the courthouse.

No one said the county didn't need schools — debate centered on whether to borrow \$2 1/2 million or whether to try to pay for the cost of new schools out of available county funds.

Sentiment seemed evenly divided — for every fellow who stood up and spoke in favor of borrowing \$2 1/2 million, one was ready to stand up and say that a way can be found for the county to finance new schools on its own.

Women were conspicuous by their absence. Evidently men only are interested in the school problem — only one woman was in the audience.

Moses Howard, chairman of the county board of commissioners, presided. H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, gave a brief explanation of the school needs and set forth the recommendations by the state school planning committee.

This committee recommended a consolidated high school between Morehead City and Newport, between North River and Beaufort, a high school at Atlantic (already there) and a new elementary school at White Oak, if needed.

Alvah Hamilton, county attorney, termed the school issue "the most important thing that has been before our people in years."

Opening the floor, Mr. Howard first recognized Kenneth Fischer of Morehead City. Mr. Fischer commented that under the proposed plan, schools still may not be able to accommodate all the pupils in several years. He proposed a pay-as-you-go program developed over a 20-year period.

Wiley Taylor Jr., Beaufort, said he was totally in favor of better schools, but he said no one has yet told the people, except in generalities, what is going to be done with the money. He said no sites had been announced nor plans given as to what type buildings would be built.

"I'm in the dark about this thing, as most people in the county are," Mr. Taylor said, "and until you see HEARING, Page 3"

Coast Guardsmen Refloat Cruiser

Coast Guardsmen from Fort Monmouth refloated and towed the 42-foot cabin cruiser Kay Bee V to the Morehead City Yacht Basin yesterday morning.

The Coast Guardsmen got a call Sunday night that the boat was aground one mile north of the Morehead City bridge. The Coast Guard's 30-footer was unable to get within 200 yards of the cruiser and returned to station for a dory.

Coast Guardsmen boarded the cruiser from the dory and found her to be out of gas as well as aground.

They returned at high tide, 5:15 a.m. yesterday, and refloated the boat and towed it to Morehead City. The boat was owned by Beaufort Buick Co., Hampton, Va.

Members of the Coast Guard crew making the assist were ENC Earl Sells, EN/1 Ronald Quidley, SN Walter Simpson and ET/3 Samuel Wierstener.

Harrell Taylor Heads County Planning Board

Harrell Taylor, Sea Level, was elected chairman of the County Resources Development Authority (sometimes referred to as county planning board) at a luncheon meeting in Beaufort yesterday.

J. A. DuBois, Morehead City, was elected secretary. Mr. Taylor, Mr. DuBois and W. H. Potter, suggested Leon Mann Jr., Newport, and Cecil Morris, Atlantic, as the other two members of the authority.

If Mr. Mann and Mr. Morris accept the appointments, they will be formally named by the county board of commissioners.

Plans Proceed
Modification in design of the proposed ferry between Ocracoke and Cedar Island is in progress, preparatory to letting a contract for construction of the ferry early this year.

Driver Cited Following Wreck

Walter N. Cruschiel, USMC, Cherry Point, was charged with drunken driving and careless and reckless driving following an accident at 5 p.m. Saturday on the West Beaufort Road.

Patrolman J. W. Sykes said that George Garland Purifoy, Morehead City, driving a 1957 Dodge, was headed toward Beaufort and was near the Willis tv place when Cruschiel, driving a 1957 Chevrolet, came up behind the Dodge and smacked it in the rear.

Then the Chevrolet crossed the road to the left, jumped a ditch, turned over and landed on its wheels, headed in the opposite direction from which it had been going.

Cruschiel had a slight cut on his face. Purifoy was not hurt. Damage to the Dodge was estimated at \$290 and damage to the Chevrolet at \$500.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar			
HIGH	Tuesday, Jan. 6	LOW	
	5:37 a.m.		12:06 a.m.
	6:05 p.m.		
Wednesday, Jan. 7			
	6:33 a.m.		12:15 a.m.
	7:00 p.m.		12:39 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 8			
	7:24 a.m.		1:08 a.m.
	7:51 p.m.		1:50 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 9			
	8:13 a.m.		2:00 a.m.
	8:40 p.m.		2:39 p.m.

There were no bids received last Tuesday at the second auction of town-owned land at the east end of the Lennoxville Road, Beaufort. Gene Smith, town attorney, said he had received an offer for the land, but it was less than the \$13,500 minimum set by the town board.