## **Animal Cruelty Trial** Delayed Until May 29

A Belville man charged on multiple counts of cruelty to animals and failing to vaccinate dogs and cats had his trial in Brunswick County District Court postponed from Tuesday until May 29.

Albert Sidney Boney, 48, was charged by Brunswick County Animal Control Supervisor Zelma Babson with 15 counts of cruelty to animals, 13 counts of failing to vaccinate dogs and one count of failing to vaccinate a cat.

The charges stem from a raid made on the Town and Country Motel in Belville, owned by Boney, in which officers seized more than 300 animals on April 23. Boney was allegedly raising and selling the animals at his two-story apartment

Last week, the Brunswick County Health Department also cited Boney for a leaking sewer line at the motel, allowing him 10 days to make

Another inspection will be made Wednesday, May 15, to see if the septic tanks servicing the motel and several mobile homes there have been repaired. The lines are draining into a ditch that feed into nearby Brunswick River.

In District Court Tuesday, Ms. Babson told Judge David G. Wall that she was prepared for trial. She asked the judge to consider the number of animals the county is

having to house in ruling on a delay.
Officers seized 13 Pekingese dogs, one mixed breed dog, four cats, 288 birds and five mice from the apartment. Many of the dogs had long wads of matted fur trailing beneath them. Others could barely walk on their hind legs. County residents began a local food drive to help animal control workers care for the animals.

Boney, represented by John Burney of Wilmington, faces a possible maximum fine of \$1,500 and a sentence of up to one year in jail on each of the cruelty to animals charges.

His attorney told Judge Wall Tuesday that he needed additional time to consult with Ms. Babson on

Boney is scheduled for trial May 13 on misdemeanor possession of marijuana and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia charges. Boney was charged on those counts during the raid at his apartment after officers allegedly found a small amount of the drug in a bedroom.

#### RULING EXPECTED WEDNESDAY

## Man Wants Court To Overturn Land Auction

BY TERRY POPE

Brunswick County Sheriff's Deputy Liston Hawes said Monday that he followed the law in selling the land and home owned by a Winnabow man to settle a \$907 judgment.

Joe Monroe Wright, of Governor's Road, filed suit in New Hanover County Superior Court last week against United Carolina Bank, Brunswick County Sheriff John Carr Davis and North West Channel Inc., the company that bought the property at a public auction for \$6,100.

Wright, who claims the land is worth \$36,000 and the mobile home \$7,000, is seeking a restraining order to keep the property from being transferred

Wright claims he was not properly notified of the sale. The land and home were auctioned to pay off a car loan Wright owed to United Carolina Bank.

A New Hanover County Superior Court judge was to rule Wednesday, May 8, on whether to overturn or uphold the sale.

Hawes said the sheriff's department sent Wright a letter warning him of execution of the judgment and tried to serve papers on him personally and twice by certified

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letters, Hawes said.

A legal notice of the sale was published in The Brunswick Beacon on Dec. 13, 20, 27 and Jan. 3. The land and home were auctioned on the steps of the Brunswick County Courthouse on Jan. 4, but an upset bid came in and the process had to be repeated.

During this period, deputies were also trying to locate Wright to serve papers to him for civil contempt of child support, Hawes said. Those papers have since been served. He was also the subject of a lien served against him by the Internal Revenue Service in Brunswick County Su-perior Court on Aug. 8, 1990. According to court records, Wright owed the IRS \$7,019.

Wright contends that bank officials told him that after the judgment was entered he could pay the \$907 when he could under a payment schedule.

Persons owed money have the right to execute a judgment resulting in a public auction of the debtor's assets. By state law, a property owner must be personally notified by the sheriff's department at least 10 days before the public sale of his

The lawsuit states that Wright had received nothing about the debt since July.

In July, UCB sent Wright a form to fill out that would guarantee him a certain amount of money from the auction of his land and home. The defendant allegedly did not return the form.

The lawsuit was filed by Wright's attorney, Jim Lea of Wilmington, who also won a temporary restraining order last week to halt the property transfer. The lawsuit maintains that Wright did not know about the sale until April 21.

Hawes said the company that purchased the land and home apparently contacted Wright with an offer to resell it to him.

'I cannot see where we (sheriff's department) neglected any of our obligations," said Hawes.



Sprucing Up

Brunswick County Building and Grounds employee Bobby Mills gives the administration building a coat of fresh paint Monday at the government complex in Bolivia.

## Democrats Ready To File Late Financial Reports

BY DOUG RUTTER

Former Brunswick County Democratic Party Chairman Glen Peterson said two overdue financial reports and \$200 in penalties should be sent to the state elections office this

Peterson said Tuesday one of the reports is finished and the other is 90 percent complete. He needs detailed information about certain contributions before he can finish the final report.

Brunswick County's Democratic Party Executive Committee failed to file two reports showing income and expenses over the last eight months of 1990, according to the N.C. Board of Elections.

The executive committee did not file two of the three financial reports required for the year. One of the late reports was due in October and the other was due in January.

Peterson said earlier that party officials had inadvertently neglected to file the financial disclosure statements on time. "It was just a matter of having too much to do and not enough time to do it," he said last

In April, the state elections office asked the local district attorney to prosecute the executive committee.

District Attorney Rex Gore, who is a Democrat, said state law requires that prosecution begin within 45 days of notification from the state. The 45 days runs out May 23.

However, Gore won't have to prosecute the committee if financial reports comply with state law and penalties are paid in time, said Yvonne Southerland, supervisor of the campaign reporting office at the state Board of Elections.

Ms. Southerland said the one financial report the executive committee filed last year showed income of \$39 and expenses of \$5 for the period Jan. 1 through April 21.

During the period April 22 through Oct. 20, Peterson said the committee received \$19,331.71 in contributions and a \$26,160 bank loan. The party spent \$44,466.11, mostly on a new headquarters building at Supply.

Peterson said the committee received \$32.09 in contributions between Oct. 21 and Dec. 31. The party paid off the \$26,160 loan and received another loan in the amount \$50,000. Expenses totaled \$17,530.97.

State law requires political parties, political action committees and some candidates to file financial reports with the Board of Elections.

Political parties must file three reports in even-numbered years when county, state and federal officials are elected. Parties can be fined \$100 for each late report.

The Brunswick County Democratic Party was one of 21 political parties, committees or ca that failed to file one or more financial reports for 1990 and were reported to local district attorneys.

## Beaver Population Reduction Plan Endorsed

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nies, Georgia Pacific, International Paper Co. and Federal, have agreed to chip in \$1,000 each. A fourth company is considering it, Coleman

"With their losses and potential losses, I think they're getting off pretty cheap," said Commission Chairman Kelly Holden.

That fee could increase. Landowners affected by damage may be asked to pay 10 to 20 percent of the cost for the removal of beavers, Coleman said.

State Sen. R.C. Soles Jr. has agreed to seek \$15,000 from the state, said Coleman. Brunswick County's resolution will give Soles "additional ammunition" as he goes to Raleigh asking for money during a tight budget year, he added.

Columbus County Commissioners Monday agreed to contribute \$4,000 to the program. Brunswick County's resolution endorses the beaver pact," as Holden called it, but stopped short of allocating county funds.

Some areas benefit from beavers, Coleman said. Natural ponds formed by beaver dams may make some residents happy.

Those areas where beavers have come in and made a beneficial effect," he said, "we'd like to main-

#### Other Business

In other business, commissioners: Signed an agreement with N.C. Natural Gas Corp. to build a spur line to service the Leland Industrial

■Signed a mutual aid agreement

with the town of Shallotte to provide emergency manpower as needed, a proposal the town's incurance carrier requested, said County Manager David Clegg.

■Denied a request from the Department of Social Services to allow the driver of a dialysis patient transport van to park the vehicle at his Grissettown home. A county policy requires vehicles be parked at the government complex in Bolivia.

■Agreed to allow the N.C. State Employees Credit Union to install a 24-hour automatic teller machine at the government complex at no cost to the county. The machine will be installed near the courthouse.

■Approved two budget amendments, one to add \$10,122 Carolina Power and Light Co. is donating to purchase equipment for the Brunswick County Emergency Management office. Another amendment moves \$20,000 to capital outlay for Brunswick Community College.

■Accepted a bid of \$2,660 from Ms. Lucy Henry of Southport for land the county orginally purchased for \$2,600 near Town Creek for a green box trash disposal site.

Gave Clegg authority to receive appraisals and negotiate the purchase of two parcels of land needed for a pumping station and elevated water tank near Grissettown as part of the capital improvement project for the county water system.

■Heard from Clegg that documents stored in the county-owned old Red and White building in Bolivia have been moved out. The building is to be demolished in the near future.

# Tipping Fee Debate Spreads

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bill everyone equally for solid

One option would call for the re-

moval of all green boxes or convenience centers and require all residents to either contract with a commercial hauler, to bring their garbage to the landfill or to a transfer station with scales. The scales would weigh everyone's garbage and bill them equally.

Another option raised by Poston would be to place small scales at the convenience centers and charge for waste disposal there by the pound, a method now in use in Rowan

"If I'm one of the 69 percent that gets free disposal, where's my incentive to recycle?" Poston asked.
According to Clegg, the county

plans to construct larger convenience stations on N.C. 904 near Grissettown, one in the Town Creek area, on N.C. 211 across from St. James Plantation, in Maco, Longood and waccamaw.

Clegg said tipping fees will not be imposed before Nov. 1. The county will have to purchase and install scales at its transfer stations and at the landfill.

"I understand the position of mu-

nicipalities to request that the fee be imposed in 1992," Clegg stated, but at this point I do not see how that will work from a budget standpoint of the county.'

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