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**It's Official! Kings Mountain Now Has Council-Manager Form Of Government**

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The City Board of Commissioners officially initiated the City Council/City Manager form of government at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at the Governmental Services Facilities Center.

The amendment to the city charter became effective Tuesday night but commissioners, in amending the Code of Ordinances, stipulated that the position of city manager will be filled by the newly-elected mayor and city council when it is sworn into office in December "or as soon thereafter as possible."

Commissioner Fred Finger made a motion to make the position available on March 1, 1988 "to give the new mayor and board an opportunity to look for a city manager and at the

same time comply with the law" which states that neither the mayor nor a councilman may serve as interim or acting city manager.

Commissioner Humes Houston suggested that the position become effective on January 1 because he felt leaving the position vacant from December, when the new board is sworn in, until March 1 would present many problems. After a lengthy discussion, Finger withdrew his motion and the board agreed to go ahead and advertise the position and name a city manager "as soon as possible" after the new board is sworn into office.

City Attorney Mickey Corry pointed out that the "soon as possible" action would allow the city to continue to operate as a Mayor-Commissioner form of government until a city manager is appointed. According to state law, the salaries of the mayor

and commissioners cannot be cut until the next budget year which begins July 1, 1988.

The city board began seriously considering changing to a city manager form of government when Mayor John Moss recently announced that he would not seek re-election, and held a public hearing two weeks ago to receive citizen input. The only four persons to speak at the hearing favored the change.

Under the new government, the mayor and councilmen will serve part-time and the mayor's responsibility will include presiding over council meetings, representing the city at public occasions, appointing committees and making recommendations to the board. The mayor will not have any voting authority except in tie situations. Under the present government, the mayor is the chief executive officer of the city.

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GEORGE RAINES

**'Grandfather' Raines Builds His Own Clocks**

When George Raines retired from the mill 10 years ago his doctor advised him to keep busy and take up a hobby. Raines took the advice and went to work in his carpentry shop in his backyard and started making clocks, not for sale but for his children.

The six handsome 100 percent handcrafted Grandfather clocks are the pride and joy of his children who received them and now Raines is working on a rocker for his only great-granddaughter, Lindsay Frederick, almost 2. The rocker is built of white pine and will be painted fire engine red.

Two Early American cradles made for his granddaughters, Debbie Frederick and Donna Buchanan, were handcrafted of heavy fir wood and hand stained and given as wedding presents. Edwards Raines, Marty and Debbie Frederick, Sue Strickland and Martha and Bob Myers are proud owners of the clock! His oldest son, Bob, of Shelby, hasn't placed an order yet. The children buy the movements for the clocks and their father does everything else to perfect moulding, finishing and initialing on the fact, G.W.R.

Raines made a 50th anniversary clock for his wife, Ruth, with timbular bells which chimes every 15 minutes and strikes on the hour. The Raines initials are also on the face of this beautiful clock which is in a handsome mahogany cabinet and stands in the living room of their home in the Midpines Community.

George Raines' love for woodworking goes back to even before he met and married Ruth Morris 52 years ago and went to Ellenboro to run a plush job for Margrace Mill. While he was still in Ellenboro Raines started building his present house and did most of the work himself. Over the years, he renovated several times, adding his shop in the backyard, and retired from K Mills, although he worked at

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**City Gives Rescuers \$10,000**

City commissioners Tuesday night approved a one-time emergency grant of \$10,000 to the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad to make it possible for the squad to purchase a much-needed new ambulance.

Rescuers began a public fund drive for the \$35,000 ambulance several months ago and had pledges of about \$25,000 prior to approaching the city board at its monthly meeting at the Governmental Services Facilities Center.

Squad member Johnny Hutchins pointed out that the

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**Sprouse Football Winner**



Dennis Sprouse of Grover picked 17 of 20 winners to win the \$100 prize in the Herald's first football contest.

Sprouse won the money by coming closer to the tie-breaking score of 48 points (42-6) scored in Ashbrook's win over South Point.

Also picking 17 of 20 games was Todd Hullender of Kings Mountain. Hullender guessed 29 points on the tie-breaker and Sprouse predicted 33.

Both guessperts missed the Burns victory over Crest and N.C. State's loss to East Carolina. Sprouse missed Miami's win over Florida and Hullender missed Freedom's win over East Rutherford.

The second of 10 weekly contests is inside today's Herald. Pick the most winners and get us your entry by 4 p.m. Friday and you will join Sprouse in the winner's circle. Mail your entry to Football Contest, P.O. Box 769, Kings Mountain, N.C. 28086, or bring it by our office on East King Street at Canterbury Road.

**Brown's Sub-Division Plat Approved**

Persistence and impatience finally paid off for developer Mike Brown Tuesday night when the city board of commissioners approved final plans for phase one of Brown Meadows sub-division on Chestnut Ridge Road.

Brown, who said he had been trying for 2½ years to

get the board to act on his request for city services, told the board to "forget" his request for water and sewer services and approve his plat so he could finally see some results from a \$140,000 investment for land which lies in the city's one-mile perimeter.

"I don't know what it takes

to get this board to act," he told the board. "People with money can come up here and get something done, but I'm a poor man and I can't understand why this board can sit on its rump for 2½ years."

Brown, who plans to construct nine homes in phase one, recently acquired

natural gas service from the city. He originally requested to be annexed and receive all city services, but finally decided Tuesday that if the board would approve his plans he would provide his own water and sewer service

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**THE UNITED WAY: THANKS TO YOU IT WORKS FOR ALL OF US**

**CC Hospice Ministers To Terminally Ill**



EVELYN WEST

Anyone can refer a terminally ill patient and his family to Hospice and there is no charge to the patient and family.

Director Evelyn West made this statement during a presentation before Kings Mountain United Fund volunteers Friday as they kicked off drive for \$110,000 for 15 agencies, which includes Hospice.

The Hospice budget for the new year is about \$27,000. Kings Mountain United Fund has budgeted \$2,000 and the balance comes from Cleveland County United Way and special projects.

Organized in 1986 with 78 patients, Hospice volunteers serve over 17,000 hours and drive over 20,000 miles to serve the terminally ill and their families in Cleveland County.

Mrs. West pointed out that the total patient load today is 24 and six of these patients are from Kings Mountain. Twenty-eight percent of all patients served by Hospice during the past two years have come from Kings Mountain.

"Once a person gives us the name of a person who is terminally ill and Hospice workers are certain the family consents to

the service, we call his or her doctor to find out if that patient can be managed in the home with a hospice team. A nurse coordinator and a social worker visits in the home and sets up a plan of treatment with a volunteer nurse and two lay volunteers assigned to the home. A nurse is on call 24 hours a day", said Mrs. West.

In the middle ages, a hospice was a place of rest for and shelter for weary travelers, said Mrs. West. Today, the functions of Hospice are much the same.

Hospice is an increasingly popular choice in health care for the nation's terminally ill and their families.

"It's an organized system of support for terminally ill people", she said. "But one of the differences between us and most health care services is that at Hospice we consider the patient and his family as one unit of care. A terminal illness happens to the whole family. It affects everyone who knows the patients."

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Hospice offers physical and emotional comfort to people facing death and to the family facing life without one of its members. "Our goal is to relieve the patient and the family for their extra burdens, so they can really live during these last weeks or months they have together", said Mrs. West.

In estimating needs in Cleveland County, Mrs. West said that the demand here has far surpassed expectations.

"Hospice has been accepted by the medical community, other health care services and by the public as a valid alternative in the mainstream of health care", she said. "It's not a little volunteer organization. It's a choice you make in the way you want to receive your medical care," she added.

Mrs. West said that more volunteers are needed. A Hospice volunteer must take

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