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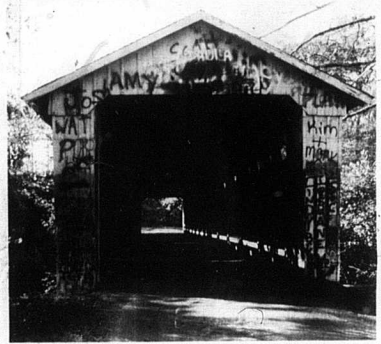
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Council passes vehicle tax; vote called illegal by clerk

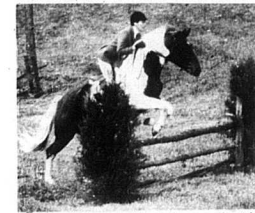
By Chip Miller
of the Carlsle Mercury Staff
An ordinance levying a motor vehicle property tax was passed unanimously Monday night by the Carlsle City Council, however according to Carlsle City Clerk Mary Tapp the vote was not legal.
Tapp said Tuesday afternoon the tax ordinance vote requires a roll call vote.
The vote Monday night was handled in a group, rather than pulling individual council members for the vote on the tax.
The property tax for the year 1988 is a fixed 23 cents on every \$100 worth of motor vehicles for city residents, if the ordinance is put into place at a subsequent meeting. The ordinance had already received a first approval, September 14.
The tax will take effect January 1, and will be administered for city purposes, according to the ordinance.
The ordinance, council discussed a motion brought up by councilman Jeff Tyler for the city to begin requiring proof of ownership for deposits on city utilities.
Tyler said in the past, too many people have claimed ownership of city property, which required them not to have to pay an up-front city

**Trick or Treat
October 30
6-8 p.m.**
The city will deposit, and then reward, to many times people have left, and we find out they didn't own that property," he said.
The motion passed unanimously.
Also, the council heard a presentation by John Burke of Kentucky Utilities about a survey of lighting on Rayne Street and Turman Avenue.
Burke recommended the city have two new streetlights placed on Rayne Street.
But Burke said the proposed lights for Turman Avenue won't worth the city's money, since the street should be trimmed.
The trees obstruct the lights, Burke explains.
Councilman Curt Millar suggested the people would see a difference when the leaves are off the trees as compared with the summer and see that this was the problem.
Councilman Bobby Barrett suggested to let the individual residents of Turman Avenue trim the trees on their own property.
Lester then motioned to accept the proposal for additional lights to

be placed on Rayne Street. The motion passed unanimously.
The council agreed to study the suggestion of additional lighting on Turman Avenue.
A need to pass a resolution to lift the ordinance pertaining to the water shortage alert was also on the council's agenda. The council discussed problems with recent water shutoffs in the Nicholas County Water District line.
Gayle Vanlandingham, city service manager, said the water situation is better, but suggested the council speak with Carlsle Watkins of the Nicholas County Water District about future water distribution between the city and county.
Mayor Les Beritz said, "We should get a letter to Charlie about it."
The council then let the agenda in the water shortage alert stand as is.
The city council also discussed the time to be set for Halloween Trick or Treat. There was a discussion on whether to set the time on Friday, October 30 or Saturday, October 31.
The council agreed unanimously the time should be set from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, October 30, for making it being a low-key event for children to be out.



Part of the floor of the historic Cobble Bridge was burned by what officials think were vandals last Wednesday, about 6 p.m. Nicholas County firemen answered the call. -Photo: Mike Pano



Participant takes horse over rail jump in the warm-up session at the Licking River Hunt Show held Monday at Fox Cry Farm on Headquarters Road in Carlsle. The show has so far been an annual event held in the Fall by the Hughes and Greer families. -Photo: Heather Mathes

Water line to cross school property

By Heather Mathes
of the Carlsle Mercury Staff
The replacing of the old water line has had an impact on Nicholas County and now it is involving school property.
Monday night Gayle Vanlandingham told the Nicholas County School Board of the conditions and the route the new line would take.
"The old line traveled on the upper side of the barn but the new one will be on the lower side going east and will stay as far from the cemetery as possible while being about 15-20 feet away from the barn. It will be a 12 inch line to the river, 36 inch cover and about four feet down. It will travel from Jeno Bantz's property around the school and end at the road crossing," said Vanlandingham.
"We will start at the school below and beyond Hamilton's personal policy if an accident should occur when she is at school business and being paid mileage for the Nicholas County School Board of Education."
Elder questioned if he was in his own private vehicle and on school business would this same apply to him.
The board ultimately decided to not take any action until further information is provided.
The board also approved non-resident contracts with Montgomery, Harrison, Fleming, Boston, Robertson and Paris Independent schools.
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spring, as the engineers have already staked out, so now would be the time to make changes if necessary," said Vanlandingham.
"This is really necessary because we had to start using the booster pump two weeks ago so now we will be all right."
"We want to personally go with you after and look at the seven miles so that it may be reworked to original and satisfactory condition," said Vanlandingham.
The question was raised by Nicholas County Board Attorney Billy Hopkins about legislation above and beyond Hamilton's personal policy if an accident should occur when she is at school business and being paid mileage for the Nicholas County School Board of Education.
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transferred Brenda Matton to P.E. Aide, and Nancy Hogg to Lunchroom bookkeeper effective October seventh 1987.
Elder reported, "The district we discussed were Educational Improvements Plan as submitted, placed Marshall Bird Matton on sub-teacher list."
approved requests as listed, authorized representatives from Kentucky Energy Control Incorporated to conduct an energy conservation survey at Nicholas County Elementary and High Schools, employed Earl Manley for bus 23 and transferred W.C. Jefferson to bus 14 effective, October 7, 1987. The board then went into executive session to discuss an application hearing date.

Elect officers appointed for General Election

- Paul Dawson, W. J. Clark, Charles King and Rose Scott duly authorized and appointed members of the Nicholas County Board of Elections met in session at the Nicholas County Clerk Office, Carlsle, Kentucky, on Thursday, September 17, 1987 at 9 a.m. to appoint officers to serve for the following:
 - District 1**
Headquarters
Earl V. Delaney, (D) Clerk, Professor Harney, (F) Judge, Ann Burdick, (D) Judge, and Martha P. Kennedy, (R) Sheriff.
 - District 2**
Hartsville
Fred L. Haller, (D) Clerk, Allen Rabe, (D) Judge, Howard Hilde, (R) Judge, and Shelby Bourdette, (R) Sheriff.
 - District 3**
Balferty
Martha Sibert, (D) Clerk, Roberta Murray, (R) Judge, Clay
 - District 4**
Mans, (D) Judge, and Randall F. McClain, (R) Sheriff.
 - District 5**
Myers
Sophia Margaret Bowles, (R) Clerk, Eugene Lather, (D) Judge, Wilma McClamb, (R) Judge, and Lida Ruth Hambley, (D) Sheriff.
 - District 6**
Moorefield
Mary Lee Hermon, (R) Clerk, Grimes Russell, (D) Judge, Patsy Birt, (R) Judge and Mike Russell, (D) Sheriff.
 - District 7**
East Union
Candy Vio, (D) Clerk, Martin Hutton, (D) Judge, Alvin Bortley, (R) Judge and S. Royer Rice, (D) Sheriff.
 - District 8**
Maysville Office
Norma Dallas (D) Clerk, Charles Wilson, (R) Judge, Lida Bowen, (D) Judge and Everett Smith, (R) Sheriff.
- District 9**
Eagle House
Mary Trapp, (R) Clerk, Luther Anderson, (D) Judge, George Gaffis, (R) Judge, and Innes Okeman, (D) Sheriff.
- District 10**
Mathias
Joyce Clark, (R) Clerk, Ebb Caswell Smith, (R) Judge, John Trapp, (D) Judge, and Alma Akison, (D) Sheriff.
- District 11**
City Building
Maezie Besset, (D) Clerk, James Neal Wood, (D) Judge, Harry T. Trapp, (D) Judge, and James Paul (R) Sheriff.
- District 12**
Paul Donovan
w/ J. Clark
Charles King
w/ Rose Scott

N.C. Board members attend

School board members and representatives from the Central Kentucky Region met at Harrodsburg High School October 1 for their annual meeting sponsored by the Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA).
Those attending from Nicholas County included board members, William Hunter, James Anderson, Louise Zachary and John Casaver Jr., Superintendent David Elder and board attorney Billy Hopkins.
The meeting was chaired by P. Freeman, chairman of the Harrodsburg Board of Education and chairman of the Central Kentucky Region, and hosted by Feres Williams, J., superintendent of Harrodsburg Independent Schools.
Dr. Warren Proffitt, KSBA president and chairman of the Bowen County Board of Education, and David Keller, KSBA executive director, discussed the 1988 Legislative Program for the 1988 Legislative Session.
Local boards will appoint a representative to serve on the statewide Legislative Network being revitalized to involve local school board members in the law-making process.

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The article promoting P.E. Provision appearing last week included historical information obtained from the History of Nicholas County. The section used was prepared by Linda Vanlandingham. The Mercury is sorry for lack of attribution and does appreciate the availability of the information in such a concise form.