

City Council Recognizes Community Improvement Award Recipients

Three recipients of the City of North Augusta's Community Improvement Award were recognized by City Council at its April 18, 1988, meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Keith Lynn, residing at 902 Lake Avenue, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hebert, residing at 203 Jackson Avenue, and Mrs. Judy Whaley, manager of Plaza Place Apartments, were all recognized by City Council for improvements made to their properties.

The Community Improvement Award is given in recognition of voluntary improvement and/or enhancement of existing properties within the City of North Augusta, and to create pride in the ownership and maintenance of property in the City. A four-member committee appointed by City Council reviews potential recipients for this award prior to making its selection(s) who are then recognized by the Mayor and City Council.

Community Improvement Awards may be presented by City Council during the months of April and October of each year. Anyone wishing to nominate someone for this award should contact the Department of Planning and Community Development at 278-0816. All nominations will be submitted to the Community Improvement Award Committee for its consideration.



Top - The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hebert at 203 Jackson Avenue.
Bottom Right - The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Keith A. Lynn at 902 Lake Avenue.
Bottom Left - Plaza Place Apartments.



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CITY DIRECTORY

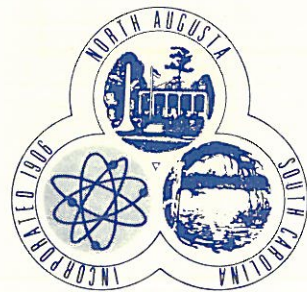
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Police Emergency.....	911
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Administration	279-2123
Clerk of Court	279-8262
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McGee Appointed Superintendent of Public Utilities

H. Dale McGee has been appointed Superintendent of Public Utilities for the City of North Augusta.

Prior to his appointment with the City, Mr. McGee was employed as a foreman with S & P Grading Company.

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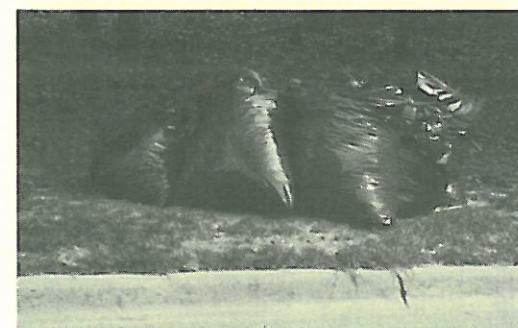
Sanitation Department Encourages Use of Plastic Bags and Cans By Customers

This is the time of year that many persons are doing a great deal of yard work which generates larger volumes of trash and garbage for collection. The City would like to encourage all of our sanitation customers to use plastic cans and plastic bags for garbage and trash collection. Why plastic cans? Plastic cans are lighter, very durable, last longer than metal cans since they do not rust, and are easier to handle by sanitation workers.

We recommend that lighter items such as leaves and small limbs be placed in plastic bags. This will allow your garbage

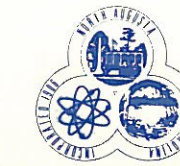
cans to be used for larger limbs and household garbage. Boards, etc. should be stacked as neatly as possible behind the curb line or off the paved surface. No grass clippings, leaves, or small yard trash should be in the street. This will prevent trash from washing down the street and clogging the storm drain lines. Also, due to the mechanical pick-up of large amounts of yard trash, please do not place trash under low wires, trees, or close to mailboxes or parked cars.

The City's sanitation department thanks you for helping them to meet your sanitation needs.



Upper left photo shows incorrect placement of yard trash in the street and gutter. As lower left photo shows, garbage and trash placed in plastic bags provides a neater appearance along the street, while the metal can at right provides the opposite effect.

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9-1-1 System Now In Service In Aiken County

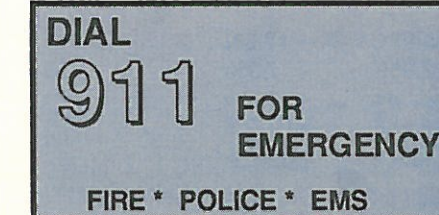
On May 2, 1988, at 9:11 a.m., the emergency service number, 9-1-1, was placed into operation for residents of Aiken County. By dialing 9-1-1 your call will go directly to the police agency serving you. This agency will be responsible for dispatching the appropriate fire, police, and medical services.

Placing the 9-1-1 system into operation in Aiken County began on January 21, 1986, when, in a joint effort with the cities of North Augusta and Aiken, Aiken County entered into a contract with Southern Bell to provide the emergency service number, 9-1-1, to the citizens of Aiken County.

Since that time, thousands of manhours have been spent on the

installation of equipment, renaming of county roads, setting up computer banks, and training people on the operation of the equipment. This training by Southern Bell officials was for all persons involved in receiving emergency calls. Testing of the equipment began in early February and was done by calling a test number from locations across the county to check the information given.

The 9-1-1 number should be reserved for emergency calls only. Any other calls



should be directed through normal channels such as 279-2121 for the North Augusta Department of Public Safety and 648-6811 for the Aiken County Sheriff's office.

With the use of the 9-1-1 number, delays in calling emergency help will be reduced. Time spent by citizens searching for the correct phone number for police, fire or ambulance service will be eliminated, saving precious time in life threatening situations.

Parents should show their children how to use 9-1-1 for emergencies. They should also post the number near each phone.

Sanitation Dept. Holiday Collection Schedule

MEMORIAL DAY:

The Sanitation Department will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th. Garbage normally collected this day will be collected Tuesday, May 31st. Customers on Tuesday's route will have their garbage collected on Wednesday, June 1st. Yard trash collection will be one day later than regularly scheduled during this week.

JULY 4TH:

The Sanitation Department will be closed Monday, July 4th. Garbage normally collected this day will be collected on Tuesday, July 5th. Customers on Tuesday's route will have their garbage collected on Wednesday, July 6th. Yard trash collection will be one day later than regularly scheduled during this week.

The Sanitation Department employees thank you for your cooperation during these holidays.



Public Safety Dispatcher receives calls directly when 9-1-1 is dialed.

Late Charge For Utility Bills Increased to \$2.00

On March 21, 1988, City Council passed an ordinance increasing the late payment charge on utility bills. This change, effective June 1, 1988, increases the late payment charge from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per month.

Audit of City's Financial Statements for FY 1987 Completed

The City's independent auditor, Baird and Company, has completed the audit of the City's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 1987. Their report shows that for the seventh consecutive year, the City has received an unqualified audit opinion, meaning that the basic financial statements of the City are fairly represented in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

The pie charts to the right depict the sources of revenue, the functional areas of expenditures, and the percentage of the total budget for the General Fund for 1987.

GENERAL FUND

The following list shows the sources and amounts of revenues and expenditures and the percentage of increase or decrease from the previous year.

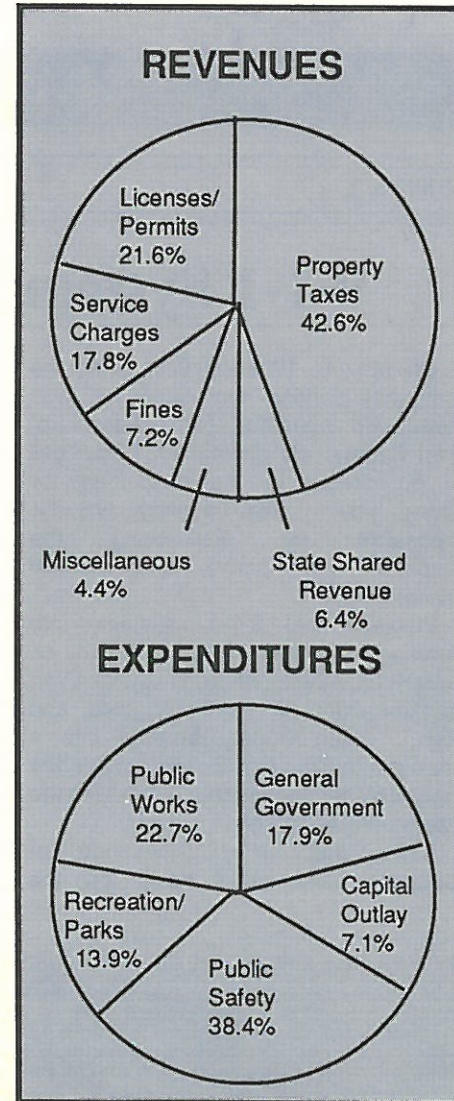
REVENUES:		
Property Taxes	\$1,649,658	+ 12.2%
Business License and Permit Fees	836,770	+ 9.5%
Service Charges	690,781	+ 8.1%
State Shared Revenue	249,983	- 8.5%
Fines & Forfeitures	277,916	+ 1.0%
Miscellaneous	169,989	+ 7.7%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3,875,097	+ 8.3%
EXPENDITURES:		
General Government	\$ 668,271	+ 17.9%
Public Safety	1,428,969	+ 7.9%
Public Works	847,384	+ 4.5%
Recreation & Parks	518,966	+ 21.3%
Capital Outlay	264,621	- 14.7%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,728,211	+ 8.3%

UTILITY FUND

The Waterworks and Sewer System (Utility Fund) revenues were allocated totally to the expenses of the system. The detail of revenues and expenses and the percentage of increase or decrease from the previous year for the Utility Fund are as follows:

REVENUES:		
Water Sales	\$1,497,636	+ 3.2%
Sewer Sales	1,302,881	+ 1.1%
Tap Fees	48,211	- 30.1%
Other	167,008	- 26.7%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 3,015,736	- .7%
EXPENSES:		
Operation/Maintenance	\$ 1,397,227	+ 13.2%
Debt Service	734,026	- 2.7%
Equipment/Capital Improvements	1,104,404	- 33.6%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 3,235,657	- 11.4%

A copy of the audit is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Trash Trailers Available To Sanitation Customers

Many sanitation customers have inquired about reserving a City trash trailer for collecting unusually large amounts of yard trash or other trash. City trash trailers are available on a weekend reservation basis to all sanitation customers. Trailers are delivered on Friday afternoons and picked up on Monday mornings.

If you are interested in reserving this unit, please call 279-9453. For residential use, a \$35.00 refundable security deposit is required. For commercial use and for clearing empty lots there is a service fee of \$35.00. As there are a limited number of these units available, please make your reservation as far in advance as possible.

Located on Five Notch Road at I-20

Construction of New Public Safety Station Underway

Construction is now underway on the North Augusta Public Safety Station II, located at the intersection of Five Notch Road and Interstate 20. This 9,700 square foot building, designed by the architectural firm of Virgo Gambill Rhoades, is being constructed by R.W. Allen Construction Company of Augusta.

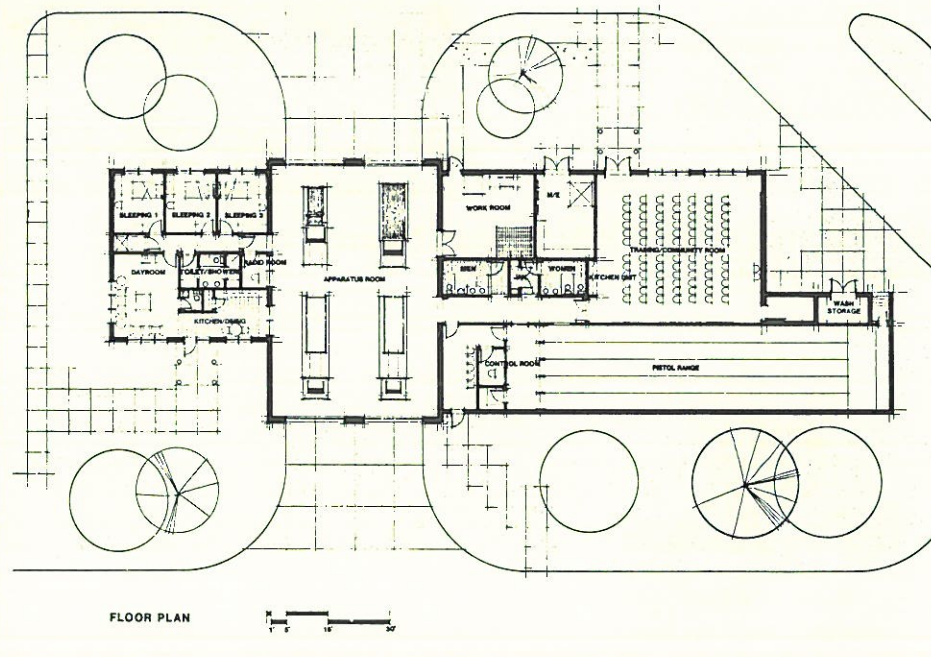
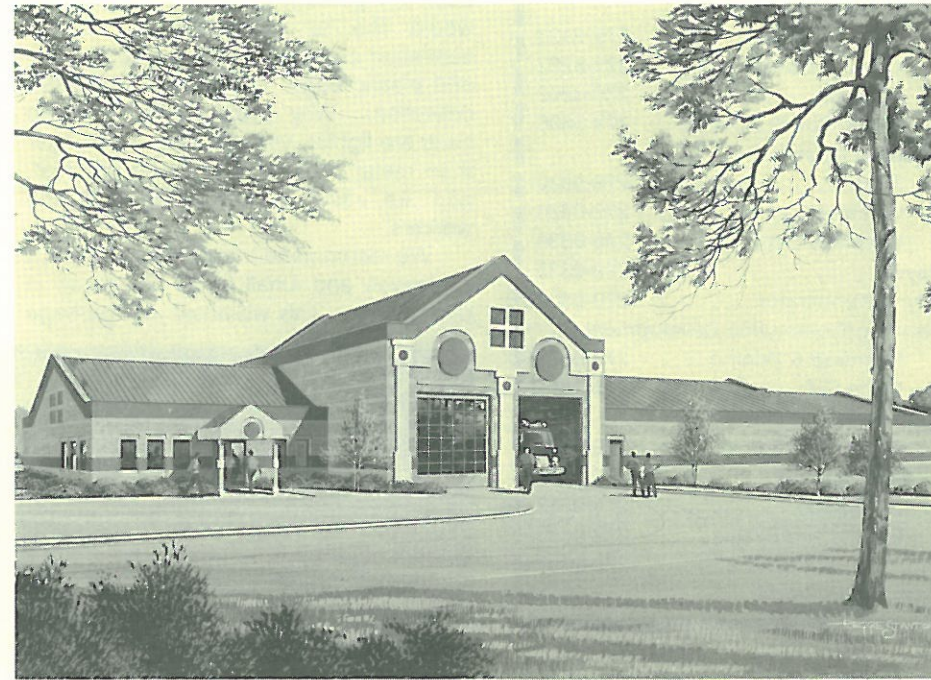
The new public safety station will include an apparatus room large enough for four trucks, an indoor firing range, a training/meeting room, and three bedrooms. Officers will be on duty 24 hours a day at this new facility.

The Five Notch Road station will allow the Public Safety Department to greatly increase its response time to all fires in the northern portion of the City's fire coverage area. The site is large enough for future training facilities.

The contract price for this facility is \$750,000. Construction is expected to be completed by the end of 1988.

Top - Architectural rendering of new public safety station.

Bottom - Floor plan of new facility.



ADMINISTRATION

City of North Augusta - Incorporated 1906
Mayor-Council form of government, with City Administrator.

Mayor: Thomas W. Greene

Council: Edward O. Ertle
William L. Gray
James L. Harris
Lark W. Jones
Earl Sasser
Ellen S. Smith

City Council meetings are held every first and third Monday at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 400 East Buena Vista Avenue. **CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.**

USC-Aiken Baseball Camp June 20-24

The University of South Carolina at Aiken Pacer Baseball Camp returns to Riverview Park June 20-24. The camp will run from 9 a.m. - 12 noon each day for young persons between the ages of 8 and 17. The registration fee is \$50.00. Camp applications are available at the Parks and Recreation office located at 403 East Buena Vista Avenue.

The Pacer Baseball Camp is run by members of the USC-Aiken baseball coaching staff and includes instruction in the following areas:

- Fundamental baseball skills
- Offensive and defensive strategies
- Pitching
- Game time

Additional information on this camp may be obtained by contacting the North Augusta Parks and Recreation Department at 278-2358.

No Animals Permitted At Riverview Park

For the safety and enjoyment of participants at Riverview Park, animals are no longer permitted within the park.

Users of the park are also reminded that skateboards, bicycles, and motorized vehicles are not permitted on the jogging trail. The City appreciates your cooperation in observing these rules designed for the enjoyment of those using Riverview Park.

Summer Softball League Planned

Late summer softball leagues will be offered during the month of August and the first two weeks in September in the following categories:

- Men's League
- Co-ed League
- 40 and over League

Team registration is \$250.00. The deadline to enter a team in these leagues is July 22, 1988. Additional information on this program may be obtained by contacting the Parks and Recreation Department at 278-2358.

Spring Fling, sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, will be held at the North Augusta Community Center on May 28, 1988, at 8:30 p.m.

Spring Fling features the Big Band sound of the Chris Mangelly 18 piece band. Tickets are on sale now for \$8.00. Tickets must be purchased in advance of the show. Ticket information may be obtained by calling the Parks and Recreation Department at 278-2358 during the day, or by calling 278-2478 in the evening.

Summer Playground Program Activities Begin June 20th

The annual Summer Playground Program, sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, begins June 20, 1988. Open to children ages 6 to 15 years old, the summer program features organized games, volleyball, kickball, relays, and other outdoor activities. A special event is also held each week. Classes are held from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. each day at the Parks and Recreation Department located at 403 East Buena Vista Avenue. The six-week program ends July 29th.

The cost of the program is \$30.00 per child, or \$50.00 for two or more children

in a family. Each child should bring his or her own lunch, and the department will provide the drinks.

In addition to the regular summer playground program, the department offers special instruction in a variety of sports programs. The registration fee for this instruction program is \$15.00 per child, or \$20.00 for two or more children registered in the same class.

Additional information on either of these programs may be obtained by contacting the Parks and Recreation office at 278-2358.

Variety of Recreational Programs For All Ages Planned This Year

In addition to the many programs announced in this newsletter, the North Augusta Parks and Recreation Department sponsors a variety of activities for all ages. Some important dates to remember for coming events are:

- Riverview Park Softball Tournaments - June, July and August
- Football Registration - August 15 - 27
- Cheerleading Registration - August 15 - 27
- Greater Savannah River Raft Race - August 20
- Soccer Registration - August 26 & 27, September 2 & 3
- Fall Class Programs - Beginning in September
- Senior Citizen Luncheons - Each Wednesday

These are a few of the many programs offered by the Parks and Recreation Department. Additional information on these and other events may be obtained by contacting the department at 278-2358.