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CITY OF WEWA FINALLY GETS NEW CONTRACTOR TO FINISH THE FIRE STATION



Photo by Tom Wynn

During the June city meeting the Mayor and the City Commission discussed the New Contractor named, Monolith Construction LLC, who are eager to start construction/repairs on the city's new Fire Station.

They started the deconstruction of the molding wooden structures inside the building on Monday the 1st of July. Josh, one of the workers on scene, stated that they are excited they are going to finish the building and make the city of Wewa whole again.

(Story Continues on page 3).

TWO CITY COMMISSIONERS WILL STAY ON BOARD

by Tom Wynn

Mr. Ralph Fisher and Mr. Brian Cox will remain on the City Board, as they had no one to run against them for the positions. Thank you both for your service to our community.

WEWA CELEBRATES THE 4th of JULY

by Tom Wynn

As of July, the 4th the United States will be 248 years old. It was on this day, the 4th that 13 colonies ratified the Declaration of Independence and proclaimed themselves free of British rule. Thanks to The Most High we became a free people. On our Coins we read, “In God We Trust!”

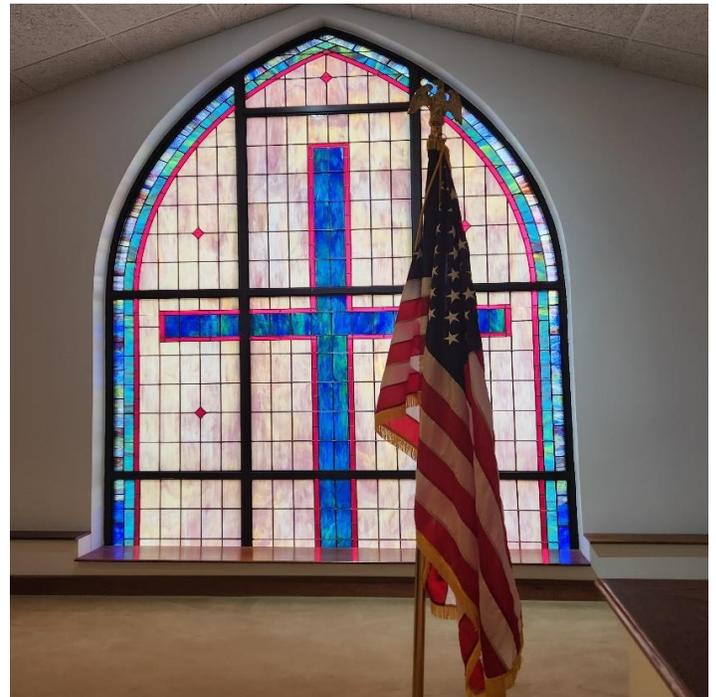


Photo by Tom Wynn

TUPELO HONEY FESTIVAL WAS A SUCCESS IN SPITE OF THE RAIN

by Tom Wynn

The local Beekeepers of the Tupelo Honey fame sold a ton of Honey and other products despite the on and off again rain showers. Fun was had by all that stayed for the festival and the honey tasting contest. Thank you all for coming and thank you City Workers of Wewahitchka, who made it possible for us to enjoy our lovely city park, once again.

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"Discovering Wewahitchka: A Glimpse into Gulf County's Charming City
by Tom Wynn

Tucked in the North parts of Gulf County, Florida, lies the picturesque city of Wewahitchka, affectionately known as "Wewa" by its residents. This small yet vibrant community boasts a rich history intertwined with the natural beauty of its surroundings and the warmth of its people. Let's take a closer look at what makes Wewahitchka a beloved destination for locals and visitors alike.

Historical Roots and Cultural Heritage

Wewa's history dates to its establishment (1875 became a city) as a hub for the timber and turpentine industries in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. These industries played a pivotal role in shaping the local economy and community life, leaving an

indelible mark on Wewahitchka's identity. The city's heritage is reflected in its architecture, traditions, and the resilience of its residents through generations.

Local Governance and Leadership

At the helm of Wewahitchka's governance is Mayor Phillip Gaskin today, supported by dedicated city commissioners Ralph Fisher, Charles Pettis, Johnnie Paul, and Brian Cox. Together, they oversee the city's development, ensuring that Wewahitchka remains a safe, welcoming, and cohesive community for all. The city is managed day-to-day by Mr. Michael Gortman, a U.S. veteran.

Community and Lifestyle

Wewahitchka prides itself on its close-knit community spirit and the array of activities it offers. Residents and visitors alike can enjoy the serene beauty of the nearby Dead Lakes, a popular spot for fishing and outdoor enthusiasts. The city also hosts various local events and gatherings that celebrate its cultural heritage and foster community bonds.

City Offices and Contact Information

For those looking to engage with the city's administration or seek information, the Wewahitchka city offices are conveniently located at 211 FL-71, Wewahitchka, FL 32465. This central hub serves as a resource for residents and visitors alike, reflecting the city's commitment to accessible governance and community service.

Wewahitchka stands as a testament to Gulf County's charm and resilience. From its historical roots in the timber industry to its vibrant community life and natural beauty, Wewahitchka offers a unique blend of tradition and modernity. Whether you're exploring its historical landmarks, enjoying its natural wonders, or connecting with its friendly residents, Wewahitchka welcomes you with open arms to experience the heart and soul of Gulf County.

For those curious to learn more or planning a visit, Wewahitchka promises a delightful journey through history, community, and natural splendor." **TW**

2 Corinthians 5:17

THE 4TH OF JULY A TIME TO CELEBRATE!

Grandpa Tom Wynn

On the 4th of July we cheer,
Remembering our forefathers without fear.
In Wewahitchka's city fair,
By Lake Alice Park, fireworks flare.

As we encircle Lake Alice's edge,
Our eyes feast on the celebration with flare.
Long ago our forefathers stood tall and strong,
Against tyranny, they did not belong.

Their courage near the water's edge,
Echoes through history's pledge.
They fought for freedom, brave and true,
Risking all they had to do.

Their legacy lights up the night,
As sparks dance on water bright.
With fireworks bright and flags unfurled,
We honor those who shaped our world.

In Wewa's skies, a proud display,
Celebrating freedom on this special day.
God bless America, land so grand,
Home of the brave and the free, we stand.



UPDATE ON THE WEWA NEWS

by Tom Wynn

My family and I have decided we will make it a periodical Good News Newspaper and continue to do our best to give you Wewa events and happenings. Traveling and health issues have made it very hard for a monthly newspaper at this time, so I decided to do The Wewa News periodically until further notice. I just returned from Wales and England to see my Ancestors Castle in Wales. Just a beautiful place to

visit and explore. We need to enjoy life today, if possible because we do not know what tomorrow will bring. The end may be here sooner than we think, so make the most of your time with family and friends. Love Wewa, Love Florida, and Love America! There is no better place, that is why an estimate of 30 million people have crossed our borders illegally. **TW**

GULF COUNTY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IN 2025-ALL EFFORTS ARE COMING TOGETHER!

by Tom Wynn



In 2025, Gulf County and the Old Court House in Wewa will be one hundred years old. It is time for Gulf County Florida to celebrate these events next year. The Friends

of the Library and The Wewahitchka Historical Society, as well as other local groups are coming to gathers to make it a great time in Gulf County and its local history. Historical photographs, high school yearbooks, and artifacts, as part of the 2025 Gulf County Centennial Celebration, bring them into the Wewa Library. If you have any old photos and information, please contact their members, and let us include what you have to offer to add to the joy and fun of celebration of our heritage.

Wewahitchka Historical Society is working hard to preserve our local and Florida history before progress destroys it. Know history or you are bound to repeat it. **TW**

Firehouse Story Continues from Page 1-The city of Wewahitchka has taken significant steps towards enhancing its emergency services with the award of a new contract for the local firehouse. Monolith Construction LLC has successfully secured the contract to oversee crucial repairs and complete pending construction work at the new firehouse facility. Following a rigorous bidding process, they emerged as the preferred choice, with plans to commence operations as early as July 1st.

Mayor Phillip Gaskin and City Commissioner Mr. Ralph Fisher will keep a watchful eye over the project. A worker at the site commented, highlighting the team's readiness to begin work swiftly. The project

timeline is set to prioritize efficiency, aiming for a prompt completion, subject to weather conditions, of course, we seem to be in a rainy season with possible hurricanes looming in the Gulf.

One of the workers on the project remarked, while I was taking a quick photograph, underscored the initial enthusiasm and dedication of the contractors' team involved.

The reconstruction of the firehouse aims to restore a facility crucial for housing our costly fire trucks and equipment, which lost their house of protection, when it was damaged by Hurricane Michael in October 2018. It has been a time of literal trials and tribulations for our community, to finally see work on the new firehouse start up again.

The community is eagerly anticipating the revitalization of the firehouse, emphasizing the importance of timely repairs and expressing hopes for the safety of all involved. This initiative reflects Wewahitchka's commitment to bolstering local emergency response capabilities and ensuring the firehouse continues to serve the community effectively.

Stay updated as the new contractor embarks on this critical endeavor to rejuvenate the Wewahitchka firehouse, reinforcing its pivotal role in safeguarding the community for years to come." **TW**

HISTORICAL PERIODICALS BY TOM WYNN

Look for two Historical Periodicals for the Wewahitchka Historical Society and Friends of The Library are on sell at the Wewa Library. So, look for them and pick up a copy for a donation of \$5.00 each. Please contact the library to share historical information for the centennial or The Wewahitchka Historical Society. **TW**

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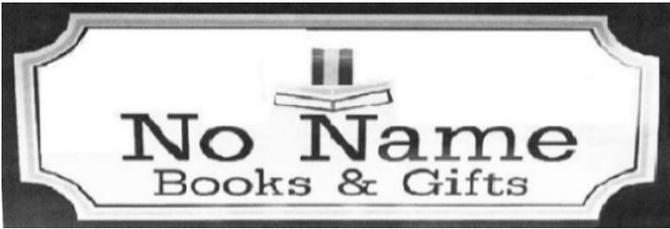
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THE WEWA LIBRARY

The History of Our Modern

Local Library

by Joyelle Linton

Exciting news for the Wewahitchka Public Library! During the month of May, our library began opening on

Saturdays from 9:00-1:00 CT. Our goal is to serve those in the community that are unable to visit during the work week. In August, we plan to begin children's programming three weeks a month on Saturdays. More information will be available soon. Please note that on August 5th the library will begin closing on Mondays at 1:00 to compensate for the Saturday hours.

In preparation for Gulf County's Centennial, we are requesting the community's help in obtaining photographs that represent our local area, such as businesses, industry, community events, etc. We will schedule an appointment to scan your photos and return them to you at that appointment. Your photos may be used in a photo exhibit which will be displayed at the library. If you have any photographs that you would like to share with us, please contact us at the number below.

Our current hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 9:00-5:00 CT and Saturday 9:00-1:00 CT. Please visit our website at www.NWRLS.com, follow up on Facebook, or call us at (850) 639-2419.



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John 1:12-13



**“Tupelo Radio Group”
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In case you didn't know: “The Tupelo Radio Group” is making a GMRS Radio network, where the repeaters are to be located has yet to be

determined. We had a group meeting on Tuesday July the 2nd. All our members who showed up had their radios tuned so all could hear each other. We discussed adding more equipment to our locations in the near future. We are doing regular testing on Sunday afternoons at 4pm to track our progress. We are looking for some Ham Operators in the Wewa area to join us. If anyone is interested in joining the group, please contact: **Mr. Dudley Balmer at: 317-379-1644.** (Radioddity email address: www.radioddity.com)

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JUST A NOTE FROM GRANDPA TOM

*“Love where you live, I dare you, and see what
happens!”*

Exploring the Legacy of Buckhorn: A Journey through History

by Tom Wynn

Buckhorn, a ghost town nestled near Wewahitchka, Florida, holds a rich history deeply intertwined with the lumber and turpentine industries that thrived from the late 1800s to the mid-1900s. This small community was once a bustling hub, driven by economic activities that provided livelihoods for its residents.

Economic Dependency and Company Store

Central to Buckhorn's existence was its company store, where workers received wages in the form of company script, redeemable only at the store. This system created a cycle of economic dependency, as the high prices in the store further solidified residents' reliance on the company for their basic needs. The store also served as a social center where residents exchanged news and community affairs.

Shotgun Houses and Community Life

Shotgun houses characterized Buckhorn's residential landscape, featuring narrow, one-room-wide structures. These homes provided practical accommodation for employees and their families, situated conveniently close to their workplaces in the lumber and turpentine industries. The modest design of shotgun houses reflected the utilitarian lifestyle of the era.

Educational and Cultural Hub: Buckhorn School

The Buckhorn School played a pivotal role in the community, serving as an educational center for local children. As industries declined, leading to the gradual depopulation of Buckhorn, the school became the last remaining structure from the town's heyday. It was eventually sold, relocated, and painted deep blue to commemorate its historical significance.

Landmarks and Historical Sites

Buckhorn boasted several landmarks that underscore its historical and cultural heritage. An artisan well near Highway 71 and Kate Glass Road served as a vital resource for travelers, offering water for horses and families passing through the area. This well symbolized Buckhorn's hospitality and resourcefulness in a time when infrastructure was scarce.

Mr. Tony Werden and Local Lore

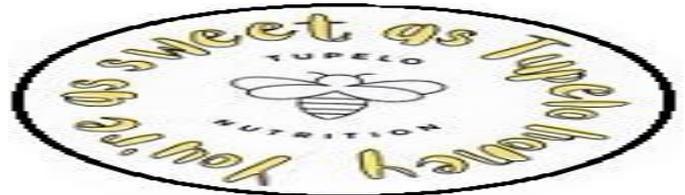
Tony Werden, a longtime resident of Buckhorn, and a military veteran was a storyteller who recounted tales of the town's vibrant past. His narratives often included vivid descriptions of horse and buggy rides to nearby towns like Port St. Joe and Blountstown, highlighting the challenges and adventures of early travel in rural Florida.

Buckhorn Cemetery and Community Continuity

In 1995, the city of Wewahitchka purchased a 2-acre tract of land from Judge David Taunton to establish Buckhorn Cemetery. City manager Mr. Minchew projected the cemetery to serve the community for the next 500 years, solidifying its importance as a cultural and historical site for future generations.

Legacy and Modern Perspective

Today, Buckhorn continues to evolve as a picturesque area in North Gulf County. Its legacy serves as a testament to the resilience and community spirit of its past residents, whose lives were deeply intertwined with the fortunes of the lumber and turpentine industries. The preservation of Buckhorn's history reminds us of the challenges and triumphs faced by early settlers and workers in rural Florida.



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I highly recommend it to watch and share. It was well done and is based on a book written in 2002. Check it out!

Notice:

Correction: In the last issue of the Wewa News, I wrote that Mrs. Dorothy Griffin was married to Corn (John) Griffin Sr., she was married to his son John Giffin Jr. Sorry for the error, I was miss informed.

TW

Joshua 1:9

A Call for Local Eateries: Preserving Community, Stories and Bonding with Neighbors

by Tom Wynn

In the heart of Wewa, there's a yearning for the return of local eateries, where legends like Mr. Charles Mayhann, Daddy Doc, Gene Hanlon, Jamie Lester, BoJohn Lester, Jerry Gaskin, Junior Strange, and countless others, along with their beloved ladies, once gathered to share tales of beekeeping, moonshiners, fishing adventures, and wartime heroics. These eateries were not just places to eat; they were the soul of our community, where stories were woven into the fabric of our lives.

As memories of the old St. Joe Paper mill and Panama Mill fades away, the stories shared by bankers, farmers, beekeepers, off-duty deputies, state troopers, judges, and other politicians become more precious. Time seemed to stand still as laughter filled the air, and the camaraderie among patrons and staff alike created an unbreakable bond.

"Have we lost that today?" I ask. "Have we lost the love we had for one another, that special bond? Frankly, folks, I want it back, and I know many others do too."

The warmth of those gatherings, where waitresses and cooks would join patrons after closing time to swap stories, is sorely missed. It was a time when the community came together, sharing in each other's triumphs and hardships.

We love Wewa and the people that make it Wewa daily. We have the greatest love and respect for those who have gone home to the Lord. Someday, I hope we have a great family reunion with all of you.

Reflecting on the past, I feel good because I saw the day when many were gone, so I let them know I loved them while they were living, and they assured me they loved me too. That is what we live for, to love one another, and living with that knowledge makes the day better. We are not going; we are coming into a new light, which will be everlasting! We will see one another again.

As Wewa looks toward the future, there's a deep longing for the revival of local eateries, where stories can once again be shared, bonds strengthened, and the spirit of community reignited. It's not just about food; it's about preserving our history and fostering

connections that last a lifetime.

Let us hold onto the memories of the past while working towards a future where the laughter and camaraderie of our beloved community eateries can once again fill our hearts and souls.

Together, let us pray for the day when we can gather again, share a meal, and relive the stories that define us as a community.

Love today, as if tomorrow may not come; it will bring peace to your soul as you lay down your head, and "roll over and close those baby blues, you will fall asleep," as my father would say to me as a little boy. **TW**

Exploring the Enigmatic Alligators of North Florida's Famous Dead Lakes

by Tom Wynn

In the heart of the Famous Dead Lakes, nestled in the serene landscapes of North Florida, resides a fascinating creature who has captured the imagination of locals for years, Alford the Alligator. Capturing the essence of these creatures and the natural beauty of our surroundings, Tom Wynn brings to life Alford, symbolizing the very real and often peaceful yet potentially dangerous creatures that inhabit our local waterways and lakes. Let's delve deeper into the world of these magnificent reptiles, their habitat, habits, and why it's crucial to respect their presence.

Living Quarters: Alford, like many alligators in the area, calls the murky waters and cypress swamps of the Famous Dead Lakes his home. These tranquil yet eerie waters provide the perfect environment for these creatures to thrive. Gliding silently through the shallow waters or basking in the sun on muddy banks, they are a symbol of the untouched beauty of our local ecosystems.

Eating Habits: Alligators, including those in the Dead Lakes, are apex predators. They primarily dine on fish, turtles, birds, and even smaller alligators. With their powerful jaws and razor-sharp teeth, they can take down prey much larger than themselves. With a brain the size of a walnut, they are efficient eating machines.

Ecosystem Impact: Despite their fearsome reputation, alligators play a vital role in shaping their environment. Their feeding and nesting behaviors help create pools and clearings in the area, providing spaces for fish and other creatures to live in and mate. These pools become crucial habitats for a diverse range of wildlife, contributing to the overall health of the ecosystem.

Social Behavior: Alligators are mostly solitary creatures, spending their days patrolling their territories. However, during mating season, they become more social, with males bellowing to attract females. Despite their solitary nature, they contribute to the balance of the ecosystem by maintaining the populations of prey species.

Dangers and Precautions: While alligators may seem like gentle giants from afar, it's crucial to remember that they are wild animals and can be very dangerous if provoked or threatened. With powerful jaws and surprising agility, they are formidable predators. If encountered in the wild, it's best to keep a safe distance and not to feed or approach them.

Remember "Old Joe" of Wakulla Springs fame? He was a legendary alligator, known for his massive size. He bit off a small portion of his own tail, losing his length record. Unfortunately, he met a tragic end when a hunter mistook him for a regular gator and shot him between the eyes. Despite his demise, Old Joe's legacy lives on at the Wakulla Springs Lodge, where his stuffed remains are displayed, attracting visitors from far and wide.

Local Pride: With Honey Bees and Alligators as our local mascots, Wawahitchkians embrace the natural beauty they live in and near, giving our Creator continued credit for the wonderful environment we live amongst.

Alford the Alligator represents the beauty and mystery of the Famous Dead Lakes ecosystem. While he may be fictional, brought to life by Tom Wynn, real alligators like him deserve our respect and protection. By learning about and appreciating these magnificent animals, we can ensure their preservation and the health of our local environments for generations to come.

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26 States That Were Named By Native Americans:

1. Alabama

Named after the Alibamu tribe of Indians who were members of the Creek Confederacy. Literally, it means "clears the thicket."

2. Alaska

From the word "Alakshak" which means peninsula.

3. Arizona

This one's uncertain but may derive from a word meaning "small springs."

4. Connecticut

From the expression "quinnitukg-ut" which means "at the long tidal river."

5. Hawaii

From the words "Hawaiki" or "Hawaiki," which was the legendary name of the original Polynesian homeland.

6. Idaho

Derived from one of three sources and meaning one of three things:

Comanche "Idahi"

Shoshone "ee-dah-how" which means something like "Good Morning"

Salmon River Tribe of Indians "Ida" means salmon and "ho" means tribe so we might be saying "Salmon eaters".

7. Illinois

From "ilhiniwek" or "illiniwek". "Illini" meant "man" and "iwek" makes the word plural, so, literally, "men."

8. Iowa

Named after the loway Indians.

9. Kansas

Named after the Kansa Indians.

10. Kentucky

Means one of three things: meadow lands, cane and turkey lands, or dark and bloody ground.

11. Massachusetts

An Indian word meaning "about the big hill."

12. Michigan

From the Chippewa Indian word "Michigama" meaning "large lake."

13. Minnesota

From the Dakota Indian word "Minisota" meaning "white water."

14. Mississippi
From the Choctaw word meaning "Great water" or "Father of Waters."
15. Missouri
"Town of the large canoes."
16. Nebraska
From the Oto Indian word meaning "flat water."
17. New Mexico
Named after Mexico, of course. Means "place of the Mexica." One source says that it's derived from the name "Mertili" who was an Aztec god.
18. Ohio
From the Iroquois word meaning "beautiful."
19. Oklahoma
From the Chocraw word meaning "red people."
- 20 and 21. South and North Dakota
This used to all simply be called the Dakota Territory. The Indian word "Dahkota" means "friends" or "allies".
22. Tennessee
From the Cherokee "Tanasi" which was a village. The word means one of three things: "meeting place", "winding river", or "river of the great bend".
23. Texas
A Caddo Indian word meaning "allies."
24. Utah
Derived from the Ute Indian word "Yuta" meaning "people who live high in the mountains."
25. Wisconsin
From the word "Wishkonsing" meaning "place of the beaver."
26. Wyoming
"On the Great Plain."



John 14:1

Ensuring Safety in Pool and Lake Swimming: Tips

by Tom Wynn

Swimming in pools and lakes offers delightful relief on hot days, but safety must remain paramount to prevent accidents. Here are essential guidelines for safe swimming, whether you're at a pool or in a lake.

Pool Safety Tips: Supervision: Always swim under lifeguard supervision or with a responsible adult present.

Swimming Skills: Learn to swim proficiently to enhance water safety and confidence.

Adhere to Rules: Follow pool rules diligently to ensure safety for yourself and others.

Watch Your Step: Walk, don't run, on pool decks to prevent slips and falls.

Emergency Preparedness: Keep a cell phone or handheld radio in a waterproof bag for emergencies. Include emergency numbers for quick access.

Check Depths: Verify water depths before diving to avoid injuries.

Stay Hydrated: Drink water regularly, especially in hot weather.

Lake Swimming Safety Tips:

Designated Areas: Swim only in designated swimming zones where water quality is monitored.

Buddy System: Always swim with a buddy to watch out for each other.

Water Conditions: Check for currents, underwater obstacles, and water temperature.

Life Jackets: Wear a properly fitted life jacket if needed, especially in unfamiliar waters.

Wildlife Awareness: Be cautious of wildlife and avoid risky areas.

Sun Protection: Apply sunscreen, reapply as needed.

CPR Knowledge: Learn CPR for emergencies.

Contact Mrs. Ann Johnson for local CPR classes.

Alligator Safety Tips:

No Solo Swims: Always swim with others, and keep a close watch on pets.

Visual Monitoring: Maintain constant vigilance over anyone near the water.

Time Considerations: Avoid dawn and dusk swims, when alligator activity peaks.

Respect Warnings: Obey posted alligator warnings.

Feeding Prohibition: Never feed alligators.

Safe Distances: Maintain at least 20 feet from water's edge where alligators might lurk.

Emergency Plans: Know how to respond calmly if encountering an alligator unexpectedly. For those interested in CPR training, contact Mrs. Ann Johnson, who offers periodic CPR classes locally.

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City Commission Discusses the Wewahitchka Senior Citizen Center Finances and Support

By Tom Wynn

In the June city meeting, Mr. Eddie Field and the Wewahitchka City Commission dedicated a substantial amount of time to addressing critical issues surrounding the Wewahitchka Senior Citizen Center. The discussions primarily focused on financial concerns and operational improvements aimed at benefiting the center and its community.

One of the main topics of deliberation was the urgent need for building repairs. The Commission agreed unanimously to pursue further investigation into the necessary repairs, emphasizing the importance of maintaining a safe and functional environment for the elders who use the center.

Additionally, there was considerable interest from the Commission regarding the leadership structure of the Wewahitchka Senior Citizen Center and its interaction with county and state systems. Members sought clarity

on how these governmental relationships could be leveraged to better support the center's operations and residents.

Mr. Gene Hanlon, a Senior Center Board member representing Wewahitchka, actively participated in the discussions, providing insights into the center's current challenges and opportunities for improvement.

During a pivotal moment in the meeting, all four members unanimously voted to cover future light bills, relieving the Wewahitchka Senior Citizen Center of this expense burden. This decision underscores the Commission's commitment to providing ongoing financial support to the center and ensuring its sustained operation without unnecessary financial strain.

Discussions also highlighted the significance of the Wewahitchka Senior Citizen Center as a vital community asset, providing elders with a place to socialize, enjoy each other's company, and participate in various activities such as mahjong, puzzles, card games, weekly bingo sessions, and exercise classes. The center also offers nutritious lunches, contributing to the overall well-being of its attendees.

Looking ahead, plans for additional repairs and potential facility expansions were discussed. These initiatives aim to enhance the center's services and further enrich the lives of its patrons, underscoring its role as a cornerstone of community care in Wewahitchka.

As decisions continue to be made regarding the Wewahitchka Senior Citizen Center's development, the City Commission remains committed to supporting senior citizens and ensuring that the center continues to thrive as a hub for social engagement and community support. Future meetings will continue to address these issues with the goal of implementing sustainable solutions for the benefit of all elders involved. TW

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