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Citizens say no to PG&W

By RICH JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company's request that Jackson Township give the company a \$36,000 reduction in building permit fees is meeting resistance among township residents.

PG&W made the request last week to the Jackson Township Board of Supervisors. At that time PG&W representatives requested that the township give the water company a special rate on the building permit fees for a project at the Ceasetown Dam.

PG&W is in the planning stages of a \$21 million dollar water treatment plant at the dam. The water company will be building a treatment plant for water that will serve customers in Plymouth, Nanticoke, and at the State Correctional Institute at Dallas.

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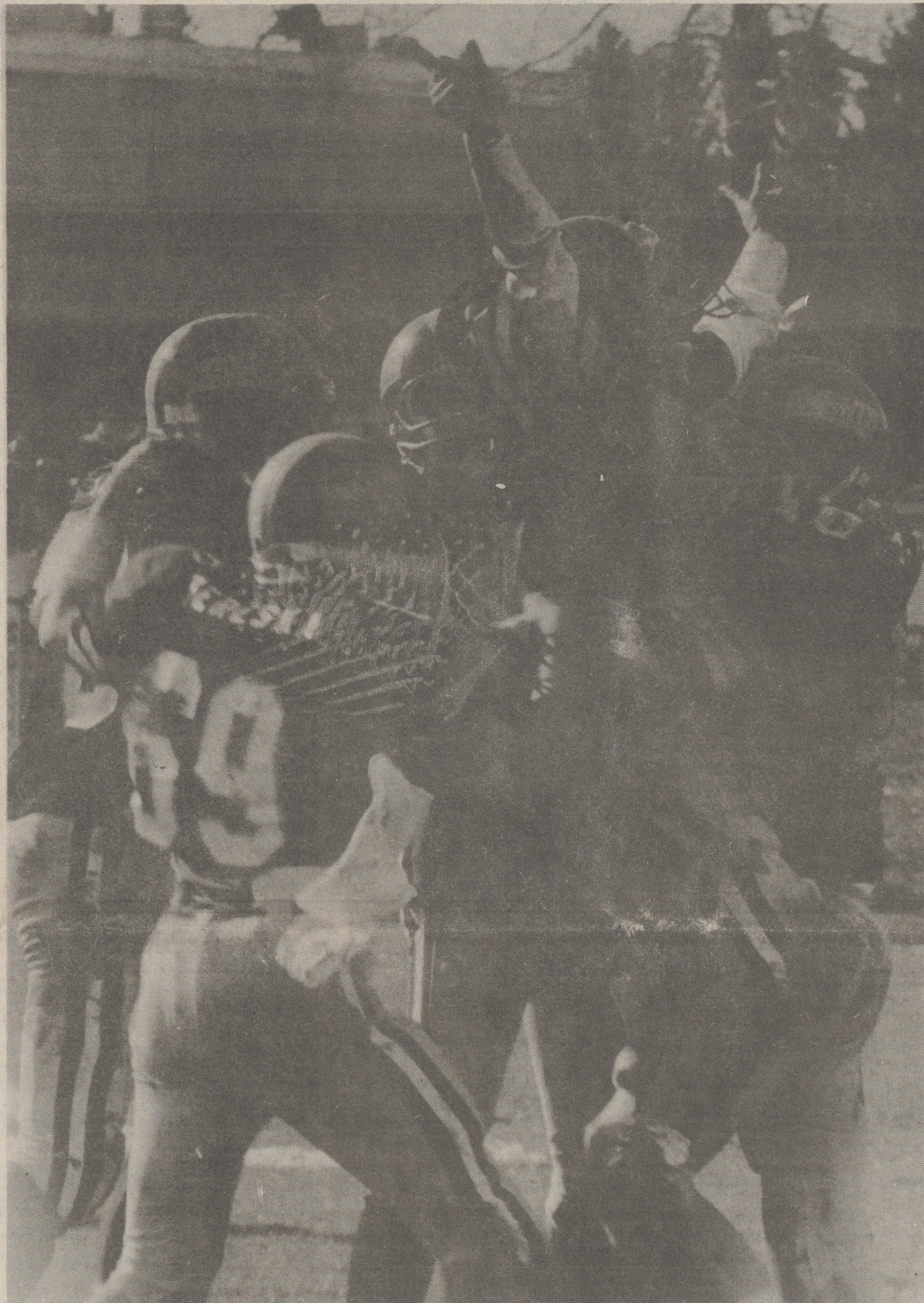
Local Sports Roundup

Here's how area sports teams fared in local and state competition on Monday.

FOOTBALL - A first quarter touchdown by Terry Martin led Lake-Lehman to a 7-0 win over Dallas in the "Old Shoe" game.

SOCCER - Brian Miller and Pat Morris both scored goals for Dallas but it wasn't enough to win the PIAA Class AA state eastern soccer semifinal game against Palisades. The Mountaineers made a late rally but were stopped short as Palisades won 3-2.

FIELD HOCKEY - Beth Bleacher scored 4:35 into the PIAA Class AAA state geild hockey game to lead Penn Manor to a 1-0 win over Dallas. Complete sports stories and pictures on pages 10-11.



FATAL TOUCHDOWN - Terry Martin, Lake-Lehman running back, hugs and lifts teammate Dave Oatridge after scoring the only touchdown of the "Old Shoe Game". More stories and pictures on pages 10 and 11. (Post Photo/ C. Bartizek)

Mundy on way to becoming Judge

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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It looks as if Luzerne County's newest judge will be Dallas resident Hugh Mundy.

It came as a surprise to the Dallas Attorney last Friday when he received a call saying that Governor Bob Casey had nominated Mundy to be the replacement for Senior Judge Bernard Podcasy, who reached the mandatory retirement age of 70 in August.

Mundy received the call Friday morning while at his law firm of Dougherty, Mundy, Levantahl and Price. Rumors that Mundy might be the nominee for the bench had been prevalent since late summer.

"I was delighted when the Governor's office called me on Friday.



Hugh Mundy

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Back Mountain may have 911 by end of the month

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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Back Mountain residents may soon have an easier way to reach emergency help as the "911" phone system is expected to be installed in the area's communication center.

"If everything runs as smoothly as it has been, Basic 911 will be ready to go in the Back Mountain by the end of this month," said Kingston Township Police Chief Paul Sabol. "This will be in agreement with what I told the people at the Back Mountain Citizens council meeting last month."

The new phone system will put residents in touch with the Back Mountain Communication Center by dialing 9-1-1. At the present time residents have to dial 675-9911 or 675-9912 in the event of an emergency.

"With the Basic 911, a child or an elderly person will be able to pick up the phone and dial the three numbers '9-1-1' much easier," Sabol explained. "The people in the Back Mountain want '911' and we believe they deserve it," he added.

Sabol also explained that once the Back Mountain Comm Center has converted to the Basic 911, it will be ready to convert to the enhanced 911 which the county is planning and to which the Back Mountain has committed itself.

It is expected, however, that the enhanced system will take at least another 30 months since the county must first set the boundary lines for the enhanced system and do a complete labeling of all residents in the county including their names, addresses, phone numbers

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Local post office shows that size isn't everything

By RICH JOHNSON
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If you travel near the Sunset section of Harveys Lake looking for the Shawanese Post Office, make sure you don't blink or you could miss it. For, you see, the Shawanese Post Office isn't very big. In fact, it is one of the smallest post offices in the United States.

The Shawanese Post Office is located next to Deveronica's Store at Harveys Lake and handles mail for the Sunset area of the borough. It was founded in 1893 as the Lake House Post Office, but later took on the Indian name Shawanese Post Office.

Because it handles general delivery for only approximately 38 people the office isn't large. Despite its compact size, Postmaster Carole Snyder said that the post office has a lot to offer. "We don't consider ourselves small," said Snyder. "We are quaint."

Snyder said that the post office is like most full size post offices and offers the same services. "We do the same work and sell the same items as other post offices," said Snyder. "We handle bulk packages, Express Mail and everything else you find at other post offices."

Snyder, who worked at the Dallas Post Office for 13 years before becoming the Shawanese Postmaster in March of 1989, said that some people are surprised when they find out that

the office can offer the same services as larger ones. "Some people think that just because we are small we can't do a lot. That is not true."

Snyder said that the work at the office is the same as the larger one's but on a smaller scale. "The Dallas office deals with a lot of business customers, that is not the case here. Where I used to sell 10 or 20 books of stamps at a time I now only sell one or two stamps at a time."

One of the services that the Shawanese Post Office does not offer is delivery to its 38 customers. However, Snyder said that this does not seem like a problem for the residents. In fact, she said that it has helped create a nice atmosphere between she and her customers.

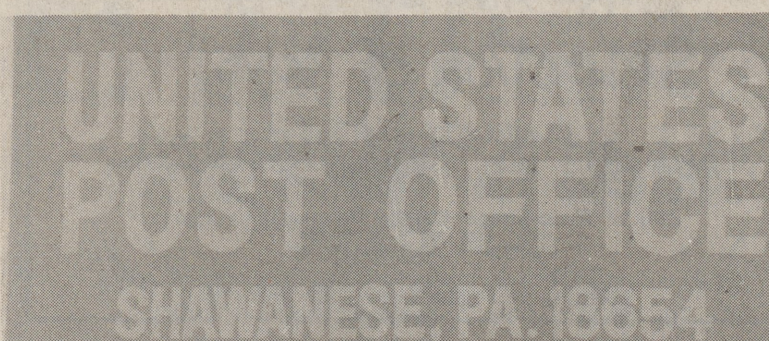
"We are kind of like a small family here," said Snyder. "I get to see a lot of the customers regularly and they are great."

"This is a small area around here and the people are very friendly, added Snyder.

The general delivery customers are not the only people who stop in at the modest post office. "Many visitors to the lake hear about the post office and stop in because it is so unique," said Snyder.

Besides being small the post office has a distinctive interior. An antique letter case is still used for the general delivery customers and 92 post office

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QUAINT NOT SMALL - Shawanese Postmaster Carole Snyder stands outside her Post Office which ranks as one of the smallest in the country. Snyder believes that the small size and the friendly customers help provide a family atmosphere at the office in the Sunset section of Harveys Lake. (Post photo/Rich Johnson)

Dallas school board hears report on YMCA

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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Members of the Dallas School Board heard a report about a proposed YMCA recreational facility in the Back Mountain at their meeting Monday night.

Norman Ledwin, Chief Executive Officer of Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, spoke to the board about the proposed General-YMCA Recreational Facility proposed by the two organizations in a public announcement made last spring.

"At the time we announced that we were looking at three sites in the Back Mountain," said Ledwin. "One primary site I have discussed with some of the supervisors in the

Back Mountain. Tonight I am here to elicit information from your members," Ledwin told them. "I have talked with representatives of other schools and colleges in the area to determine their interest."

"Our facilities will have recreational facilities such as an Olympic pool, handball and also outdoor sites for soccer and baseball, etc. We do not plan to have tennis courts since there are other courts in the area through private clubs."

Ledwin told board members that the planned facility will be constructed on 18 to 34 plus acres and will also contain medical and

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Community Events

Dallas Post Holiday Hours and Deadlines - Deadlines for next week's paper are: Ad deadline, Friday, Nov. 16 at 4:00 p.m.; News copy deadline; Friday, Nov. 16, noon. The Dallas Post office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 22 and Friday, November 23 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Holiday Bazaar - Fri., Nov. 16, 9 a.m. to evening, Eastern Star Chapter 396, Dallas (behind Acme Market). Handmade crafts, jellies, preserves, baked goods. Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner - Sat., Nov. 17, begins at 4 p.m. Mountain Grange #567, Eighth St., Carverton.

Bake Sale - Sat., Nov. 17, begins at 9 a.m., Tamagnini's Store, Pikes Creek. Sponsored by Maple Grove United Methodist Women.