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are already on site, with work beginning soon.

Mayor Dorman also noted that at the February 15 meeting, Keck & Wood would present to Council the results of their engineering study on water lines and fire hydrants within the town.

In her report, Town Administrator Chris Keefer noted that with the Water & Sewer Committee's approval, staff made an emergency purchase of \$15,448 for materials staff needs to replace a water line that will improve water flow to several businesses in the 200 block of N. Hampton Street.

Keefer also noted that Leigh Gillespie-Floyd has been hired as the town's full-time administrative assistant effective February 2, and that the vacant Streets department supervisor position has been posted. The full-time position will pay between \$18 and \$20, depending on qualifications and experience. Applications will be accepted through February 13.

In new business, Council elected Councilmember Jody Connell to serve another two-year term as Mayor Pro Tempore. In this role, Connell would act as mayor during any absence or disability of the mayor.

Council also unanimously approved the replacement of one of two pumps at the wastewater treatment plant for a cost of \$21,013. Utilities director John Peavy reported that in preparing the pumps for the new power supply as part of the plant upgrades, staff discovered that the pump was functioning at only 50% capacity and would unlikely reach full capacity even if repaired or reconditioned. The new pump should arrive this spring and will augment the second pump that was installed in 2022.

Coming out of executive session, Council agreed to engage Keck & Wood to provide engineering services for relocating a sewer line serving the 300 block of E. Marion Street. After responding to sewer line cleanout calls in this area, staff had reported to the Water & Sewer Committee that the town does not have an easement to service the current sewer line that runs behind the homes in this block. The proposed fix is to move this sewer line to the utility right-of-way that runs along the front of this block.

Page 6 THE NEWS-ERA Kershaw, South Carolina, Thursday, January 27, 1948

**T. Vance Hough Retires From Kershaw Oil Mill Dec. 31**

Mr. Vance Hough, 57, of Kershaw, who has been with the Kershaw Oil Mill since 1923, announced his retirement from the mill on December 31, 1947. Mr. Hough was born in Kershaw, S. C., and attended the local schools. He was employed by the mill for 24 years, during which time he held various positions, including foreman and superintendent. He is now residing in Kershaw with his wife, Mrs. Hough. Mr. Hough is a member of the Kershaw Baptist Church and the Kershaw Grange. He has three children: Mr. H. H. Hough, Mr. J. H. Hough, and Mrs. M. H. Hough. He has a total of 12 grandchildren.

**Four Complete MP Shots At Fort Gordon, Ga.**

Four complete military police (MP) shots were taken at Fort Gordon, Ga., on January 27, 1948. The shots were taken by the 1st MP Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, and were part of a training exercise. The shots were taken from a distance of 1,000 yards and were aimed at a target area. The shots were taken by the following personnel: Sgt. J. H. Hough, Sgt. M. H. Hough, Sgt. K. H. Hough, and Sgt. L. H. Hough. The shots were taken in a field area and were part of a training exercise. The shots were taken from a distance of 1,000 yards and were aimed at a target area. The shots were taken by the following personnel: Sgt. J. H. Hough, Sgt. M. H. Hough, Sgt. K. H. Hough, and Sgt. L. H. Hough.

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es PBS North Carolina. He has published articles on the cousins' shared ancestor Emanuel Cumbo and is an administrator of DNA research projects.

Kevin Graham is descended from several Patriots who were free men of color from North Carolina. His research focus is on North Carolina free families of color before the 1863 Emancipation Proclamation. He is President of the Sons of the American Revolution's Lower Cape Fear Chapter, the first African-American to hold the position. He has also been the chapter's Historian and Registrar.

Tyrone Goodwyn is descended from Patriot free people of color who were originally Angolan servants and from an indigenous woman stolen from South Carolina and enslaved in Virginia. He is working with Colonial Williamsburg researching enslaved peoples owned by George Washington and the Custis and Robert E. Lee families. He is an officer of the North Carolina Genealogy Society and a member of a number of historical and genealogical societies as well as the League of the Descendants of the Enslaved of Mount Vernon.

The cousins gave an outstanding presentation on Patriots of Color at the State Department of Archives and History in November of last year, which was very impressive and well-received.

For more information, email lancastersc250@gmail.com or visit the Lancaster County page of the South Carolina 250 website https://southcarolina250.com/county/lancaster.

The program is sponsored by the Lancaster County 250th American Revolution Anniversary Committee, Friends of Andrew Jackson State Park, Andrew Jackson State Park, South Carolina State Parks, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the SC 250 Commission.

-more- The Lancaster County 250th Anniversary Committee was authorized by Lancaster County Council to plan celebrations, tours and educational resources for the American Revolution politics, economics, battles, churches and other related topics. The Lancaster 250 Committee is part of the statewide effort to commemorate the American Revolution in South Carolina under the South Carolina Sestercentennial Commission, which was authorized by the South Carolina Legislature.

**Church pianist**

Beaver Creek Presbyterian Church celebrates 255 years this year! Folks love to sing in this country church, but alas, the talented pianist retired! Now seeking a dedicated and experienced pianist to accompany choir and congregational singing with choir practice Sundays at 8:00 a. m. and worship at 9:00 a.m. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact the music director at 803-288-0177 or dusawyer10@gmail.com

**AJ VS YORK PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL**

**AJ #5 Jaliyah Walker taking the ball to the inside for The Volunteers.....AJ GIRLS WIN 81-5**  
Gwynn Leaird Photography

