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### Govt. stumbles on West End, OBB issue



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### YOUR WEATHER



**87°F**

A shower or thunderstorm in spots

SUNRISE: 6: 57 a.m.  
SUNSET: 7:28 p.m.  
HIGH TIDE: 6:13 a.m. - 6:51 p.m.  
LOW TIDE: 12:14 a.m. - 12:24 p.m.  
WINDS: ESE at 8 mph

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Whatever you're looking for, these local businesses ask you to consider them first.

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# Battle looms

## BETWEEN WEST END INVESTORS, GOVT. SILENT



## Old Bahama Bay employees have serious concerns



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There has been an eerie silence on the part of the Free National Movement Government, while a serious battle looms between long-time West End Bahama club benefactor Island Venture Resort and Club (IVRC) and proposed investor Grand Palm Beach Acquisitions which operates under Skyline

Investments. *The Freeport News* exposed this issue recently and yet the government has, thus far, failed to function transparently in this instance, with the people of Grand Bahama, and in particular the residents of West End, especially those employed at Old Bahama Bay, a subsidiary of IVRC.

The government with a large entourage, led by Prime Minister Dr. Hubert Minnis, paraded into West End proper and touted its networking with Skyline Investments

(Grand Palm Beach Acquisitions) towards signing a Heads of Agreement (HOA).

The deal the government heralded was the re-birth of the old Ginn Sur Mer property; accompanying hotels providing over 200 rooms; residential structures numbering some 1,000; a casino; and a major shopping and restaurant/lounge complex.

A two-and-a-half-billion dollars (\$2.5b) projected financial package was announced. There was no mention of the existing, vi-

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## BTC AGAIN PLAGUED BY COPPER THEFT

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After four incidents of copper theft in the past two weeks, in what is being called "acts of sabotage," BTC's Vice President for Networks and Engineering, Trevor Turnquest said, the incidents are creating a tremendous

strain on the company and its resources.

Bringing the issue to the public yesterday - Thursday, September 6 - during a press conference, Turnquest will be hopeful that the culprits will be caught.

"BTC would like to bring to the attention of the community, deliberate acts of sabotage that's been happening in our Sunrise Park Subdivision," reiterated

Turnquest, who added that executives are very concerned about this problem.

"These acts of sabotage are a tremendous strain on BTC and our resources."

He explained that every time an incident happens, BTC has to utilize resources to replace the cables and it is a strain on the staff to keep doing the same task

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**TREVOR TURNQUEST**  
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## TAPP providing a jump start to college

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High schoolers can now get a jump to their tertiary education through Terreve College's TAPP. According to founder, Terrance Archer, not only does the learning institution offer adults the opportunity to advance their education, but young people still in high school can get an early start.

The program, aptly called Terreve Advanced Placement Program (TAPP), allows high school students to obtain college credit towards an Associate Degree, while still enrolled at local high school.

Archer shared that the program has been in existence at Terreve College for quite some time. Unfortunately, he noted that not many secondary schools have bought into the vision of the program, giving their students a head-start on furthering their education upon the completion of their high school education.

"We have our TAPP Program that targets Grades 9 to 12 students. We have been trying to get all Guidance Counselors at

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Telephone 352-6329

#2 Britannia Mall, Caravel Beach  
Telephone 352-6328

#3 Gloucester Row, Downtown  
Telephone 352-6331

**~ WEEKEND SPECIALS ~**

GROCERY SPECIALS	PRODUCE SPECIALS	MEAT SPECIALS
<p>PAR EXCELLENCE 5 lb LONG GRAIN RICE <b>\$3.29</b></p> <p>HEAVENLY SOFT BATH TISSUE 4 pk <b>\$1.79</b></p> <p>BUTANE FUEL 4 PACK <b>\$9.99</b></p>	<p>FRESH PORK <b>\$1.69/lb</b></p> <p>WHOLE CHICKEN <b>\$1.69/lb</b></p> <p>CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS <b>79¢/lb</b></p> <p>PORK CHOP ENDS <b>\$1.99/lb</b></p> <p>CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS <b>99¢/lb</b></p> <p>PORK SPARE RIBS <b>\$2.39/lb</b></p>	<p>FILIZ READY CUT MACARONI <b>.99c</b></p> <p>ALBERTO SPAGHETTI 16 oz <b>2/\$1.99</b></p> <p>HUNT'S ASST. PASTA SAUCES 24 oz <b>\$1.99</b></p> <p>CHEF BOYARDEE SPAGHETTI &amp; MEATBALLS <b>2/\$2.79</b></p> <p>CRAWFORDS CUSTARD CREAM BISCUITS <b>2/\$2.29</b></p> <p>BADIA CURRY POWDER 7 oz <b>\$2.69</b></p> <p>BADIA MOJO MARINADE 10 oz <b>\$1.59</b></p> <p>D-FENCE BAR SOAP <b>2/\$1.19</b></p> <p>BOUNTY HAND TOWEL <b>\$1.69</b></p> <p>PLASTIFAR 9" PLATES 25 cnt <b>2/\$2.59</b></p>

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