

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**Monday, May 15, 2017****6:30 P.M.**

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing and their regularly scheduled meeting on the third Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte, **Chairman**
 Amon E. McKenzie, **Vice Chairman**
 Giles E. Byrd
 P. Edwin Russ
 Trent Burroughs
 Ricky Bullard
 Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
 Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
 Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

6:30 P.M.**PUBLIC HEARING -**

Consolidation of Land Use Regulations into one (1) Unified Chapter: the purpose of this public hearing is to receive oral and written comments from the public regarding the proposed consolidation of all existing land use ordinances into one consolidated chapter within the Code of Ordinances for Columbus County as well as the minor updates needed to bring those ordinances into alignment with existing statutes for the State of North Carolina.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED:

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte opened the Public Hearing, and stated the purpose of this public hearing is to receive oral and written comments from the public regarding the proposed consolidation of all existing land use ordinances into one consolidated chapter within the Code of Ordinances for Columbus County as well as the minor updates needed to bring those ordinances into alignment with existing statutes for the State of North Carolina. Chairman Prevatte requested that Michael H. Stephens, Columbus County Attorney, orally read the Policy for Comments at Public Hearings. Mr. Stephens orally read the policy in its entirety.

COMMENTS:

Chairman Prevatte opened the floor for comments. The following spoke.

Gary Lanier, Economic Development/Planning Director: stated the following:

1. We are working with InFocus Planning to consolidate and update our Code of Ordinances;
2. However, ordinances dealing with land are outside our Code because they were passed after the Code was done;
3. What we are trying to do is to consolidate anything to do with land use regulation;
4. The changes to text that have been put in place are purely statutory in law;
5. The changes are as follows:
 Page 1: bottom - and the zoning authority granted to counties pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A, Article 18, Part 3
 Page 5: It creates a central County zoning map that we will bring a final version before you for approval
 Page 26: Adult Businesses - this really does not have anything to do with land, this relates to code;
6. The deletions are as follows:
 Page 19-20: drop out things like performance guarantees and use the proper language and it is authorized by N.C.G.S. § 153A-A-331; **and**
7. This is basically a way to group all the ordinances that deal with land and the public will know where to go when they need information.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:

At 6:38 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by

Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

6:38 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION

Agenda Items #1, #2 and #3: MEETING CALLED to ORDER, INVOCATION and PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

At 6:38 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the May 15, 2017 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Charles T. McDowell. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Vice Chairman Amon E. McKenzie.

Agenda Item #4: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to approve the May 01, 2017 Regular Session Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #5: PUBLIC INPUT:

Chairman Prevatte opened the floor for Public Input. Chairman Prevatte requested that Michael H. Stephens, Columbus County Attorney, orally read the Policy for Public Address to the Board. The following spoke.

1. **Kathryn Faulk, 10289 Seven Creeks Highway, Nakina, NC 28455:** stated the following:
 - I have been the Director of School Nutrition Services for Whiteville City Schools for thirteen (13) years;
 - I have had a wonderful thirty (30) year career in education in Columbus County at Southeastern Community College, Whiteville City Schools, Columbus County Schools and I am retiring July 01, 2017;
 - My first priority, as an educator, is the children of this County;
 - Through all the discussion I have heard and read about, I have not heard anything about the quality of our children being considered;
 - The first priority is the children and the quality of service does not need to be compromised; **and**
 - Please consider the value of the savings.
2. **Dana Baldwin Leviner, 3805 James B. White Highway North, Whiteville, NC 28472:** stated the following:
 - I am a current employee of Whiteville City Schools, and a mother of a previous and two (2) current Whiteville City School students;
 - Jobs are limited in Columbus County;
 - My previous employment was an hour away from home, and 3 ½ years ago, I started employment with Whiteville City Schools, and was able to spend more time with my family;
 - With merger, will we have the same opportunities and class size, and would we lose grants and opportunities for our school; **and**
 - Possible job loss needs to be considered.
3. **Jared H. Worthington, 117 W. Lewis Street, Whiteville, NC 28472:** stated the following:
 - The merger of the two (2) school systems has been under discussion for many years;
 - I am an alumni of West Columbus High School and a principal in Whiteville City Schools;
 - I have been a part of both school systems;
 - My goal here tonight is not about dollars and budget, but it is about reminding both parties the priority is the students;
 - I implore you to have consideration of student welfare;
 - If you spend \$10,000 and a child benefits, then the money is well spent, but if you save \$10,000 and a child fails, then you fail; **and**
 - The student's welfare needs to be the top priority.
4. **Annette Hamilton, 31 Garrell Lane, Chadbourn, NC 28431:** stated the following:
 - I am an employee of Whiteville City Schools and a parent of a Whiteville High School student;
 - I have concerns about the merger of Whiteville City Schools and Columbus County

Schools;

-There is a loss of \$993,774 funds and unknown savings;

-There will be an elimination of thirty (30) jobs in Columbus County; **and**

-The important things to keep in mind are the possible increase of class size, the travel time for the children, the associated costs and will it impede the education of the children.

5. **Jamesie Gentry, 138 Bailey Avenue, Whiteville, NC 28472:** stated the following:
 -I appreciate the fact that the County Commissioners are looking to save the County money, but I have seen the numbers and to save money, the numbers include cutting approximately thirty (30) jobs;
 -In our County, the unemployment rate is 6.8% compared to a State average of 4.6%;
 -Looking for employment outside of this County would be great;
 -I don't think the increase in our unemployment rate would not be good for our County;
 -This County is struggling also;
 -Looking at the amount of Federal and State funding this County would lose due to the merging, would only decrease the benefits that our County receives;
 -When looking at our education system, decreasing the benefits cannot be in the best interest of our children; **and**
 -I wholeheartedly believe the merger would not be in the best interest of our County and our children.
6. **Edith W. Moore, 2815 Carver Moore Road, Clarkton, NC 28433:** stated the following:
 -In the study done by the County, it was determined that thirty to thirty-one (30-31) jobs would be eliminated due to the merger of the two (2) school systems;
 -It is unfair for the hard-working people that have worked for our State and our County for many years would be put out of work any may not be able to find another State job in our area;
 -What about the service years that these people have put in;
 -With this County being a low-wealth county, jobs are hard to find;
 -I am an employee of the County and always done my duty; **and**
 -Now, I am asking for your support to not merge the schools.
7. **Oscar Mack Blanks, III, 130 Memory Plaza, Whiteville, NC 28472:** state the following:
 I will defer this opportunity to speak to Agenda Item #14.

Agenda Item #6: BUDGET - PRESENTATION of the PROPOSED FY 2017-2018 OPERATING BUDGET, and ESTABLISHMENT of DATE and TIME for REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARING:

William S. Clark, County Manager, presented the proposed FY 2017-2018 Operating Budget Message, and requested June 5, 2017, at 6:30 P.M., be established as the date and time for the required Public Hearing.

B U D G E T M E S S A G E

TO: James Prevatte, Chairman
 Columbus County Board of Commissioners

FROM: William S. Clark
 Columbus County Manager

DATE: May 15, 2017

RE: **Columbus County Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Message**

Overview

The Proposed Budget for fiscal year 2017-2018 is presented in accordance with the North Carolina Budget and Fiscal Control Act, North Carolina General Statute 153A-82. North Carolina law states that a balanced budget must be publicly presented by June 1 and a balanced budget adopted by June 30. We are pleased to present a balanced budget that is without a property tax increase.

General fund and total budget appropriations are noted below:

<u>2017-2018 General Fund</u>	<u>2016-2017 General Fund</u>	<u>Increase Dollars</u>	<u>%</u>
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\$56,197,413	\$59,542,156	(\$3,008,625)	(5.08)
2017-2018 Total Budget	2016-2017 Total Budget	Increase Dollars	%
\$71,653,679	\$71,711,122	(\$57,443)	(.08)

Employee Salary and Wage Adjustments

All employees will receive a 3.5% COLA adjustment with a cap of \$2,000. The wage adjustments will be effective September 21, 2017. Employees who have exceeded their maximum will receive a lump sum payment.

Local Governmental Employees Retirement System

The employer contribution to the Local Governmental Employees Retirement System for our Law Enforcement Officers will be 8.25%, which is an increase from the prior fiscal year of .25 %. Local employees' rates will be 7.60%, which is an increase of .35% from the prior fiscal year.

Health Insurance

The insurance carrier for county employees will continue to be the State Health Plan. Rates will increase by 5% for the last six months of the fiscal year. Employee contributions will increase from \$15.04 to \$50 per month for the 80/20 plan and from no contribution to \$25 per month for the 70/30 plan. As you know, the State Health Plan will not cover our 30 retirees. Costs for insurance premiums have increased 49% % to \$547,392.96. The average premium is now \$1,520.54 per month for a retiree.

General Insurance

General Liability, Property and Workers Compensation insurance premiums increased by 3%, for an additional cost of \$25,378.

Enterprise Funds

Solid Waste User Fees: The proposed rate is decreased by \$5.00

- A) County Residents \$203.00/year
- B) Municipal Residents \$116.00/year

Water District Rates:

Columbus County Combined Water Districts' rates will change to the following rate schedule: the base rate will now be \$24.00 and \$3.75/1000 gallons from 0 to 4,999 gallons; \$4.00/1000 gallons from 5,000 to 21,000 gallons; \$5.75/1000 gallons from 21,000 to 51,000 gallons; and \$6.75/1000 gallons for 51,000 and above gallons.

Revenue Sources

Ad-valorem Property Tax Collections – Tax collections are calculated based on a collection rate of 97%, at the current rate of 80.5 cents per \$100.

Transfers from Other Departments to the General Fund – Total transfers to the General Fund for indirect costs and debt repayment are as follows:

\$79,524 - CWDs Indirect Costs	\$ 89,937 - WD II Debt Repayment
\$18,891 - Transportation Administrative Costs	\$76,230 - WD III Debt
\$52,353 - Solid Waste Indirect Costs	\$17,615 - HUD Indirect Cost

The transferred amount of \$334,550 is the equivalent of approximately .0105 cents in property tax.

Education

Total current expense allocations for city and county school systems and Southeastern Community College have been increased by 2%.

Capital Outlay

Capital outlay includes eight vehicles plus equipment for the Sheriff's Office, one vehicle for the central fleet, one truck for the maintenance department, upgrades to the DVR & Camera System in the Detention Center, one truck for Animal Control, dental equipment for the Health Department, two lift vans and equipment for Transportation. The NC 911 budget includes a phone recorder to replace the current outdated one. The Public Utilities budget includes two 4X4 trucks and Solid Waste's budget includes capital outlay purchases of a storage building and telephone system and two roll off containers. For a total cost of \$956,572 in capital outlay of which \$645,972 will come from the General Fund Fund Balance.

Conclusion

Staff has worked hard to recommend a balanced budget for fiscal year 2017-2018 without a property tax increase. I would like to thank Bobbie Faircloth and our department managers for their efforts in the development of this budget.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ William S. Clark
Columbus County Manager

Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to accept the proposed FY 2017-2018 Operating Budget Message, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

MOTION:

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to establish May 23, 2017, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for a Budget Workshop, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to establish June 5, 2017, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for the required Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #7: NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT:

H.L. "Drew" Cox, PE, District Engineer, requested Board approval for a drainage Project repairing median drainage basins along U.S. 74 from Robeson County to NC 214, east of Bolton.

**RESOLUTION of SUPPORT for DRAINAGE PROJECT
REPAIRING MEDIAN DRAINAGE BASINS ALONG U.S. 74**

WHEREAS, U.S. 74 is a critical transportation facility for Columbus County which is heavily traveled by our citizens and tourists; **and**

WHEREAS, as drainage systems age on freeway facilities, a loss of material around the median drainage basins occur which will eventually result in sink holes; **and**

WHEREAS, due to the number of sink holes and the large volume of median drainage basins, repair needs to be done along U.S. 74 from Robeson County to N.C. 214, east of Bolton; **and**

WHEREAS, the repair will improved the median, and provide a more pleasing appearance for the citizens of Columbus County and the tourists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Columbus County Board of Commissioners supports the Drainage Project repairing the median drainage basins along U.S. 74 from Robeson County to N.C. 214, east of Bolton.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this the 15th day of May, 2017.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE**, Chairman
/s/ **GILES E. BYRD**
/s/ **TRENT BURROUGHS**
/s/ **CHARLES T. McDOWELL**

/s/ **WILLIAM S. CLARK**, Manager

/s/ **AMON E. McKENZIE**, Vice Chairman
/s/ **P. EDWIN RUSS**
/s/ **RICKY BULLARD**

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ **JUNE B. HALL**, Clerk to the Board
/s/ **MICHAEL H. STEPHENS**, Attorney

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve and adopt the Resolution of Support for Drainage Project Repairing Median Drainage Basins Along U.S. 74, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed

Agenda Item #8: NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT of TRANSPORTATION - RESOLUTION of SUPPORT:

H.L. “Drew” Cox, PE, District Engineer, requested Board approval for the installation of an all-way stop condition at the intersection of SR 1002 and SR 1005 with the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION of SUPPORT for INSTALLATION of ALL-WAY STOP CONDITION at INTERSECTION of SR 1002 and SR 1005

WHEREAS, the intersection of SR 1002 (Old Lumberton Road) and SR 1005 (Peacock Road) is the scene of many accidents, time delays and injuries for our citizens; **and**

WHEREAS, a review has been done by the Regional Traffic Engineering Office, and a determination was made to pursue the installation of an all-way stop condition at the intersection; **and**

WHEREAS, the all-way stop conditions have resulted in safety improvements at intersections based upon a N.C. Department of Transportation safety study of approximately fifty (50) intersections in North Carolina; **and**

WHEREAS, the all-way stop condition will improve the flow of the traffic, and provide more safety for our citizens and tourists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners support the all-way stop condition at the intersection os SR 1002 (Old Lumberton Road) and SR 1005 (Peacock Road).

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 15th day of May, 2017.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

/s/ GILES E. BYRD

/s/ TRENT BURROUGHS

/s/ CHARLES T. McDOWELL

/s/ WILLIAM S. CLARK, Manager

/s/ AMON E. McKENZIE, Vice Chairman

/s/ P. EDWIN RUSS

/s/ RICKY BULLARD

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to the Board

/s/ MICHAEL H. STEPHENS, Attorney

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve and adopt the Resolution of Support for Installation of All-Way Stop Condition of Intersection of SR 1002 and SR 1005, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #9: HEALTH - DENTAL CLINIC UPDATE:

Kimberly L. Smith, Health Director, presented the following update on the Dental Clinic.

1. We had a very productive meeting with Columbus County Superintendent, the lead nurse, the Director of Maintenance for County Schools and the Director of Student Services last Thursday;
2. After discussion with those four (4) individuals and my dentist and myself, Timmy Ward, the Maintenance Director, had gone around to all of the County schools and said that most of the hookups had gone to disrepair due to mowing crews, construction, etc.;
3. They are willing to do the work and replace these 50 amp, RV type receptacles for all of their eighteen (18) schools;
4. I ask him to give me an itemized list of the supplies needed, and he gave me a list, inclusive of labor, at a cost of almost nine thousand (\$9,000.00) dollars;
5. Compared to purchasing the generators that we have on the bus, we save; **and**
6. Our dental bus does cleanings, x-rays, assessments and our dentist does not sedate.

Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to appropriate nine thousand and 00/100 (\$9,000.00) dollars for the Dental Clinic to be taken from Fund Balance, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #10: PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - UPDATED POLICIES and CONFLICT of INTEREST FORMS:

Joy Jacobs, Public Transportation Director, requested approval of the following three (3) amended policies, and one (1) new policy, and signatures of Conflicts of Interest for each Board member.

SERVICE ANIMAL POLICY (Amended)

This administrative policy was adopted by the Columbus County Commissioners on May 15, 2017.

**/s/ JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman
COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

All service animals, individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability, may accompany a passenger with a disability or trainer in facilities or on vehicles operated by **Columbus County Transportation**. Animals that are pets are not allowed. Categories of animals allowed include guide dogs, service animals, hearing and signal animals, and seizure-response/alert animals. The following criteria apply to passengers, operators and the transit system when transporting a passenger with a service animal:

Owner Responsibility

- Must notify transit system, at the time a reservation is made, that they are traveling with a service animal
- Must provide transit system proof of animal's vaccinations
- Must be in full control of animal
- Animal must be in good health and behave appropriately
- Animal must travel on the floor or in owner's lap
- Animal may not travel in vehicle seat or block aisle
- Owner is responsible for the cost to repair any damage to property caused by animal [NC G.S. 1684.4]
- Pertinent **Department of Justice** ruling on service and comfort animals are:
 1. A person must have a disability to ride with a service animal
 2. The service animal must be trained to be a service animal
 3. What is not a service animal:
 - a. Non-human primates born in captivity
 - b. Reptiles
 - c. Rabbits
 - d. Farm animals
 - e. Any horse or pony, or miniature horse
 - f. Pigs
 - g. Goats
 - h. Ferrets
 - i. Amphibians
 - j. Rodents
 - k. Psychiatric Service Animals
 - l. Comfort Animals - These animals are not covered by the ADA because they do not meet the definition of a service animal. Comfort animals cannot ride on the transit system.

Transit System Responsibility

- Assign driver who is not allergic or fearful of animals to transport passenger traveling with a service animal
- Cannot require special ID, inquire about customer's disability or ask for a demonstration of tasks animal is trained to perform
- May ask if animal is a service animal and what tasks the animal is trained to perform
- May not charge passenger extra for traveling with a service animal unless the animal takes up the space of another passenger [NC G.S. 1684.4]
- The Transit System will make reasonable accommodations according to 49 CFR, Part 37, Appendix E

Operator Responsibility

- Cannot assign passenger with a service animal to a specified area
- Do not handle animal or carry case
- Can hand leash to passenger if asked to by passenger
- If needed, remind other passengers that the service animal is working and not to distract, pet or speak to it unless owner allows
- Do not separate or attempt to separate animal from owner
- Do not allow animal to ride lift unless in the lap of the owner or if the owner is a standee passenger
- Can provide towel or sheet for animal to sit or lie on for easier clean up
- Know transit and owner responsibilities
- Contact dispatch or management regarding any problems or questions

Columbus County Transportation reserves the right to deny transportation of passenger(s) with service animal if the animal poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others until the problem is rectified.

TRAVEL POLICY (Amended)

Columbus County Transportation will follow the travel policy for Columbus County as outlined in the Columbus County Personnel Manual. We will also follow the mileage rates set by the IRS for each year and will amend as new rates are established.

Policy Approved

Date: May 15, 2017

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman**

COLUMBUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

PROPERTY DISPOSITION POLICY

Columbus County Transportation will follow the disposition options, as outlined by NCDOT/PTD, listed on the Vehicle Checklist Form shown below. The Transportation Director will have the option to pick the most financially advantageous option for the transit system.

Per NCDOT guidelines all LTVs will be replaced once they reach 145,000 miles and minivans will be replaced at 115,000 miles. The senior procurement officer will send us the inspection/disposition package along with the title and this will serve as our approval for disposal. All proceeds from the sale will be deposited to the matching fund for Columbus County Transportation.

State Surplus:	Available only to public entities 1. Information about the vehicle will need to be entered through SS online web site. 2. Contact you county’s finance office for instructions or contact State Surplus directly @ 919-854-2160. 3. The following form will need to be completed and submitted to SS along with title. a) Odometer/Damage Disclosure form is located in this workbook under TAB marked MVR-180A.
Local Auction:	Available to public entities or private non-profits. -An advertised public auction must be held.
Electronic Auct:	Available to public entities or private non-profits. 1. Internet auction service may be used
Sealed Bids:	Available to public entities or private non-profits. 1. Systems should get at least two (2) fair market estimates to help establish a minimum price when advertising for sealed bids. 2. An estimate form is available under TAB marked FAIR MARKET VALUE.

Transfer:	<p>Available to public entities or private non-profits. If a system is transferring a vehicle, provide the following information regarding the transfer.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vehicle will be transferred to: _____ 2. How will the vehicle be used by the recipient: _____
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Policy Approved

Date: May 15, 2017

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE**, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**COLUMBUS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION (NEW)
 BUS POLICY**

Columbus County Transportation (CCT) does not provide school bus service. Any amendment to this policy must first be reviewed by the Columbus County Transportation Advisory Board and ratified by the Columbus Board of County Commissioners.

Policy Approved

Date: May 15, 2017

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE**, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the three (3) amended policies and the one (1) new policy, and sign the Conflicts of Interest, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #11: PROCLAMATION - ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS PROCLAMATION:

Amanda Harrelson, Department of Aging Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Elder Abuse Awareness Proclamation.

**ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION AWARENESS
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, elder abuse is the broad term used to identify mistreatment of elderly and disabled adults; **and**

WHEREAS, abuse and neglect of elderly and disabled adults is one of the most under recognized and under reported social problems in this country; **and**

WHEREAS, the magnitude of the problem is likely to increase for several reasons, especially with the increasing rise in the number of elderly population; **and**

WHEREAS, mistreatment can take many forms: physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse, neglect by a caregiver, self neglect, exploitation, and financial exploitation; **and**

WHEREAS, it is estimated that approximately five million (5,000,000) people age sixty plus (60+) suffer elder abuse every year; **and**

WHEREAS, it is estimated that approximately one (1) out of every twenty-four (24) cases of elder abuse is reported; **and**

WHEREAS, abuse of the elderly and disabled is preventable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners that May 14, 2017 through June 18, 2017, be recognized as “**ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION AWARENESS**” in Columbus County, and that all residents and other jurisdictions are encouraged to become more aware of this problem and join in the prevention of elder abuse.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 15th day of May, 2017.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

/s/ GILES E. BYRD

/s/ TRENT BURROUGHS

/s/ CHARLES T. McDOWELL

/s/ WILLIAM S. CLARK, Manager

/s/ AMON E. McKENZIE, Vice Chairman

/s/ P. EDWIN RUSS

/s/ RICKY BULLARD

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to the Board

/s/ MICHAEL H. STEPHENS, Attorney

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve and adopt the Elder Abuse Awareness Proclamation, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #12: SOCIAL SERVICES - MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

Algernon McKenzie, Social Services Director, delivered the following Monthly Administrative Update.

On April 5, 2017 our agency staff meeting was held. Staff was given dates for the Defensive Driving class for all county employees who drive county vehicles. These classes were held at DSS in our large conference room.

Staff was also informed the door codes would soon be changed. All former employees are to enter through the front lobby area. This is done for security reasons.

During this meeting, I reminded staff about the importance of confidentiality. Information should only be shared with individuals that need to know for case management or processing. Workers should not be asking about cases unless they are involved. There should be no discussion of case information in the hallways; because clients are walking through at times and may hear your conversations.

Staff was also asked not to give out information about programs or services to the public if they are not sure about it. They should be referred to the Supervisor or Lead Worker of that program area.

On April 11, 2017 we had a Community Child Protection Team meeting. During this meeting, we discussed some cases involving children and families that were in need of services to help keep them out of Child Welfare. We had representatives from our school systems, mental health and other agencies that were involved in this meeting. This team also helps to sponsor the annual Child Abuse Remembrance service in April of each year.

On April 20, 2017 we hosted a meeting with a representative from the Division of the Death and Hard of Hearing. The purpose of the meeting was to learn about resources to assist individuals with hearing problems in emergency shelters during disasters. There were staff from Emergency Management, the Health Department and DSS at this meeting. This information will help us better serve individuals with hearing issues.

On April 25, 2017 we met with our Child Welfare Consultant for our check-in visit. During this meeting, the Social Work Program Manager and I reviewed our progress on our Program Development Plan. We shared our latest review information and he encouraged us to continue to implement the strategies that we have developed. He also spoke to some Social Workers and Supervisors during his visit.

On April 26, 27 and 28, 2017 I attended the North Carolina Association of County Directors of Social Services annual meeting. During the opening session, we were given updates from our Division Director, Wayne Black. There are some issues with the Child Care (p.3) rollout and counties need to budget some funds for payments. We also received a demonstration of the Child Welfare system that is being worked on by the NCFASST Team. We were told there will be some hands-on training with county staff at some point. We also received information about a new data base called, "Child Welfare Assist". This website will be made available to counties to gain background information about individuals we are working with in Protective Services and Foster Care. This will help Social Workers to make informed decisions about the safety of potential placements for children.

On the second day of our meeting, we spent all day talking about the new Senate Bill 594 and what it means for the State and Counties. We worked in groups to discuss concerns and to come up with information to help our leadership prepare some talking points to meet with the sponsors of this Senate Bill. There are a lot of concerns with this bill, but the major one seems to be the

regionalization of local DSS agencies and how this would affect staff and service delivery to the public. During the closing of this meeting, it was decided our association leadership would have another meeting with the Senate Bill sponsor and inform her of our concerns and provide her with some information about what we have in place to improve Child Welfare already; and offer her some solutions for improving Child Welfare in North Carolina. We will have some conference calls and continue this discussion at our May 11, 2017 board meeting. Our meeting concluded on Friday with a wrap-up and next steps session.

Finally, our agency mourns the death of Mrs. Edie Hewett Carlisle; Food and Nutrition Supervisor. She was employed with DSS for 27 years.

**April 2017
Economic Services**

PROGRAM	STATISTICS
Food & Nutrition	Applications Taken: 267 Applications Approved: 215 Active Cases: 5,692 Benefits Issued: \$1,382,920 Participants Served: 12,200
Adult Medicaid	Applications Taken: 127 Cases Terminated: 71 Redeterminations: 261 Applications Processed: 145
Family & Children's Medicaid	Applications Taken: 95 Applications Processed: 106 Redeterminations: 630 Total Medicaid Cases: 14,070 Total Individuals Receiving: 17,936
Child Support	Absent Parents Located: 96 Orders Enforced: 855 Active Cases: 4,019 Collections: \$459,033.08

**April 2017
Human Services**

PROGRAM	STATISTICS
Adult Services (APS)	APS Reports Accepted: 12 County Wards: 20 Number of Payee Cases: 25 Adults Served APS: 28 Number of Medicaid Transportation Trips: 1,854 Amount Requested for Reimbursement: \$34,153.43
Children's Protective Services (CPS)	Reports Accepted: 40 Reports Screened Out: 22 Families Receiving In-Home Services: 21 Children Served: 48 Contacts with Families Monthly: 160 Assessments: 25
Foster Care	Foster Children in Foster Homes: 61 Children Placed Outside County: 16 Agency Adoptions: 0 Pending Adoptions: 6 Total Foster Homes Licensed: 6 Total Children in Foster Care: 70

Work First Employment (TANF)	Applications Taken: 22 Applications Approved: 8 Individuals Receiving Benefits: 344 Entered Employment: 0 Number in Non-Paid Work Experience: 4
Program Integrity	Collections for Fraud: \$8,059.92 New Referrals: 19 Cases Established: 8
Day Care	Children Receiving Day Care Assistance: 427 Children on the Waiting List: 441 Amount Spent on Day Care Services: \$171,693.80

Economic Services Program Narrative

Child Support/Paralegal and Work First Cash/Medicaid Transportation/Maintenance and Housekeeping
Food and Nutrition and Family and Children’s Medicaid
Adult Medicaid//Rest Home and Nursing Home/Community Alternatives Program (CAP)

Submitted by Cyndi Hammonds, Income Maintenance Administrator

Reporting Month: April 2017

News/Updates/Vacancies

Child Support and Paralegal:

Current policy states if you are receiving Food and Nutrition and there is an absent parent in the home, you do not have to cooperate with Child Support to receive. USDA is proposing for new policy to be put into place that states if you receive Food and Nutrition Benefits you must cooperate with Child Support in order to receive. This meaning, if there is an absent parent in the home and you want to receive you must work with Child Support to pursue the absent parent for Child Support. We have lots of cases that the parent that is in the home does not want to go after the parent that is not in the home to pay anything to the child/ren. They remain busy with establishing paternity and collections, including intercepting tax refunds. They prepared 263 cases for court and the paralegal prepared 164 orders and reviewed 35 the attorney completed.

Food and Nutrition:

We continue to struggle in Food and Nutrition to keep our timeliness within compliance timeframes. We meet it some months and then we fail it another month. The intake/processing team is still short staffed however we have interviewed and a worker will be starting with the agency on May 22nd. We still grieve the loss of Edie Carlile that was supervisor on the intake/processing team and the lead worker is out on maternity leave. We have interviewed for the supervisor position and will be making a recommendation soon. The Recertification Supervisor has done a wonderful job helping keep both teams motivated to keep all work within the USDA compliance timeframe. There have been days we have had 13 clients in the office to apply for Food and Nutrition.

Adult and Family and Children’s Medicaid:

The Adult Medicaid Eligibility Rate increased April 1 and the cost of living increase that clients received will begin being countable as of April 1. Every year when they get a raise it is disregarded until the Medicaid eligibility rate increases every April. The Adult Team continues to struggle to meet their timeframes. We have interviewed and 2 positions will be filled as of May 22. We have 2 more positions to fill on the Adult Team; would only have one more but one of the candidates we choose declined the position. Family and Children’s Medicaid continues to keep their work timely. The vacancy we had on the Family and Children’s team will be filled on May 8th.

Work First/Cash///Transportation////Interpreter/////Maintenance///Housekeeping & Deputy:

- We did not go live with transportation as expected due to complications in our department with the computer system. We have not been able to get our spreadsheets to submit to the State office correctly. We continue to work thru these issues.
- While the interpreter is not as busy she is learning the new system for transportation.
- Housekeeping and Maintenance continue to keep our building clean.

- Work First/Cash received monitoring results and they were a few minor errors. Some that could not be avoided because the adjustment to the new drug screening forms from last year and NCFast not allowing us to approve cases without the form being completed and those cases were exempt.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD REPORT

Children's Protective Services/Intake/Investigation/Assessment
 Children's Protective Services/In-Home Services
 Children's Protective Services/Foster Care/Adoptions
 Adult Services
 Work First Employment
 Child Day Care
 Program Integrity

Melinda H. Lane, Program Manager

Vacancies/Updates/News for April 2017

Intake/Investigation/Assessment:

The Intake/Investigation/Assessment Unit continues to be short staffed. One vacancy has been filled due to a Social Worker moving from within the agency. This new worker will not have to take the Pre-Service training since she has completed it within the last two years. The other vacancy has been advertised and interviews will be scheduled. This Unit continues to work on activities within the Program Development Plan.

In-Home Services:

The In-Home Services Unit continues to be short-staffed. A new Social Worker has been hired and will begin Pre-Service training in May. The recent vacancy has been advertised and interviews will be scheduled. This Unit continues to work on activities within the Program Development Plan.

Foster Care/Adoptions:

The Foster Care/Adoptions Unit continues was to be fully staffed. This Unit continues to work on activities within the Program Development Plan. The recently approved new positions will greatly help in expanding services for foster children as well as assist the other CPS Units.

Adult Services:

The Adult Services Unit is now short staffed due to a Social Worker applying for and getting another position within the agency. This position has been advertised for and interviews will be scheduled. The Supervisor's position has been interviewed for and a recommendation has been made. This Unit continues to feel very overwhelmed due to recent short staffing, the recent resignation of the Supervisor, and an increase in referrals. Job responsibilities are currently being reviewed to see if any adjustments can be made to reduce or alleviate some of the stress.

Work First Employment:

The Work First Employment Unit continues to transition to the NCFast system. This Unit continues to assist with 200% and with CPS Intake coverage when needed.

Child Day Care:

The Child Day Care Unit continues to be fully staffed. This Unit has begun to attempt to train for the transition into the NCFast system, although the system has prevented them, as well as other counties across the state, from accessing the training that is needed. Case conversion into NCFast began March 1 with weekly conversion goals for Columbus County being greatly surpassed every week.

Program Integrity:

Program Integrity continues to work hard to get caught up with program integrity duties and cases since energy assistance season has ended. However, this Unit is now looking at how to handle the energy programs being converted into the NCFast system, which will take many hours of training.

Agenda Item #13: PLANNING - CONSOLIDATION OF THE LAND USE ORDINANCES:

Gary Lanier, Planning Director, requested the Board to approve the consolidation of Land Use Ordinances into one (1) unified Chapter of the Code of Ordinances. **(The Public Hearing was held at 6:30 P.M. on this date before the meeting.)**

Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to approve the consolidation of Land Use Ordinances into one (1) unified Chapter of the Code of Ordinances, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - NEGOTIATED LEASE AGREEMENT:

Gary Lanier, Economic Development Director, requested Board approval of the following Lease Agreement for the greenhouse and modular building at the Landfill.

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS**

LEASE CONTRACT

THIS LEASE, made and entered into this the 15th day of May, 2017, by and between Jay Technologies Corp., Inc., hereinafter referred to as “JTC”, a North Carolina Corporation, and Columbus County, hereinafter referred to as “County”, a body politic existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina, is for occupancy of the Greenhouse and Head-house buildings and the land that they are located on (inclusive of the parking area) which are located on the Columbus County Landfill Site at 301 Landfill Road, Whiteville, NC.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, JTC desires to occupy the Greenhouse and Head-house units for the conduct of an agricultural business involving plant propagation and micro-biology, distribution of agricultural supplies, storage of agricultural products, raw materials, packaging materials and growing of plants for sale; **and**

WHEREAS, specific engineering has been incorporated into the design of the structures to provide for the needs of both JTC and the general public for access; **and**

WHEREAS, JTC and County acknowledge that is is beneficial for JTC and for the citizens of Columbus County for JTC to utilize the structures for job creation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the respective rights, powers, duties and obligations hereinafter set forth to be performed by JTC and County, the parties mutually agree as follows:

1. JTC shall occupy the Greenhouse and Head-house buildings for the purpose of the conduct of their business.
2. JTC shall use the developed portion of the Greenhouse without restriction for business and potentially for laboratory training purposes. The undeveloped portion of the Greenhouse shall be enhanced with additional racking through the mutual efforts of the County and JTC, with the intention of utilizing some of the obsolete rack systems located at the former Georgia-Pacific site.
3. The Greenhouse has a primary heat source of methane bio-gas, which shall be utilized by JTC as part of rent. The County shall make sure that the bio-gas boiler is provided in working condition. JTC shall maintain the bio-gas boiler in good working order by doing regular required maintenance. The Greenhouse has a secondary heat source of liquid propane (LP) Gas. JTC shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining the supply of LP Gas for the supplemental heat.
4. The Greenhouse and Head-house units are connected to County’s potable water supply. County shall provide this water at no charge to JTC for the first 12 months of this agreement. Following this “start-up” period, water will be billed to JTC at the prevailing rates for county water customers. If special water treatment is required by JTC, JTC shall be responsible for the cost of treatment and/or necessary equipment needed to perform the treatment.
5. The Greenhouse and Head-house units share an electrical power supply. County shall maintain the power supply in County’s name but will bill JTC for their electrical usage.
6. Maintenance and repairs of the Greenhouse structure shall be the responsibility of County. Should there be damage to the building caused by JTC’s staff, County reserves the right to ask JTC to fix the repairs, however the County shall take care of any damages resulting due to natural wear and tear natural calamities and other conditions which are not under the control of JTC.
7. County shall lease the Greenhouse and Head-house units and agreed upon acreage to JTC for the sum of \$0.00 per month for the first four (4) months. For months five (5) through eighteen (18), rent shall be for the sum of \$400 per month. The rent for months nineteen (19)

through thirty-six (36) will be \$700 per month.

8. JTC shall be responsible for insurance covering the contents of the leased premises. JTC shall indemnify and hold County, its agents and employees, harmless against any loss and all claims, demands, causes of actions, or other liability, including attorney fees, on account of property damages arising out of or relating to the leased property resulting from negligence of, or the willful act or omission of JTC, its agents, employees, and assigns.
9. This Lease shall be for a term of three (3) years. This Lease will automatically renew at the end of the three (3) year period for one (1) additional term of three (3) years at a rental rate mutually agreed upon between both parties, unless either party provides written notice of cancellation ninety (90) days prior to the renewal date to the other party.
10. This Lease may be terminated at any time by either party, without penalty, provided that written notice is furnished to the other party at least ninety (90) calendar days prior to termination.
11. Neither party may transfer or assign its rights under this Lease without the prior written approval from the governing boards of both County and JTC.
12. This Lease contains the entire agreement and understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter contained herein and all prior agreements or understandings of the parties hereto are hereby revoked. There are no agreements, restrictions, promises, warranties, covenants or other undertakings other than those expressly set forth herein.
13. All of the terms and condition contained herein shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Jay Technologies Corp. and Columbus County have caused this Lease to be executed by their respective authorized agents, affixed their respective corporate seals and attested by their respective Clerks, all by the authority of their respective Boards, as the day and year first above written.

COLUMBUS COUNTY

By: _____
William S. Clark, County Manager

Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 2017, _____, a Notary Public for _____ County, North Carolina. Witness my hand and official seal or stamp, this the ____ day of _____, 2017.

Jay Technologies Corp.

By: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____

Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 2017, _____, a Notary Public for _____ County, North Carolina. Witness my hand and official seal or stamp, this the ____ day of _____, 2017.

Approved as to form:

Columbus County Attorney

This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by Local Government Budget and Fiscal Contract Act.

Columbus County Finance Director

Gary Lanier stated the following:

1. This Lease will be between Columbus County and Jay Technologies Corporation;
2. Basically, this will be a start of an operation here in Columbus County;
3. He feels he can employ two to three (2-3) people at the greenhouse operation; **and**

4. He is looking to purchasing land at the Industrial Park where he would put additional activity, additional business interest that would employ conservatively an additional fifty (50) people.

Oscar Mack Blanks, III stated the following:

1. I have been working with Jay Technologies for several months;
2. We started at the other end of the County, and we looked at several sites in the Delco area;
3. This project will be a three (3) phase project;
4. Phase I is the Greenhouse Project; **and**
5. By year 5, we are looking at employing up to fifty (50) people.

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS:

1. No money amount and number of employees stated;
2. Very minimal amount of rent;
3. The greenhouse is deteriorating;
4. A change in Phase I and Phase II;
5. This type of business is a good fit for this area;
6. The need for acreage to put plants and trees at the greenhouse;
7. The square footage of the greenhouse is 44' x 96', and the office space is approximately 24' x 50' or 60';
8. Repairs are as follows:
 -Irrigation system - Maintenance can do
 -Boiler - \$2,000 - \$3,000
 -Getting new skin - \$3,600; **and**
9. Greenhouse is functional as it is now.

Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to approve the negotiated Lease Agreement by and between Jay Technologies Corporation, Incorporated and Columbus County for the Greenhouse and Head-house buildings and the land that they are located on (inclusive of the parking area) which are located on the Columbus County Landfill Site at 301 Landfill Road, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

MOTION:

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve entering into negotiations for leasing additional five (5) acres of property in the bar pit area at the Landfill site, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: H.U.D. - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Betty McKeithan, H.U.D. Director, delivered the following Departmental Update.

1. We have 384 units on the Section 8 Housing Program;
2. We have 372 on the Waiting List;
3. Our Voucher holders are having problems finding units to rent; **and**
4. We had six (6) Matthew victims that have been housed. One (1) victim, a Voucher was issued and extended until 5/31/2017

Agenda Item #16: FINANCE - APPROVAL of PROJECTS AUTHORIZATION:

Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Director, requested Board approval of the following projects from Whiteville City Schools for Article 44 funding.

PROJECT	FUNDS
Purchase of 100 computers for the K-5 instructional staff at WPS/EES	\$83,661.39
Purchase of 15 computers for the 9-12 instructional staff st WHS	\$12,473.74
Gym floor rescreening at CMS	\$1,010.00
Gym floor rescreening and restoration at WHS	\$16,329.00
Replacement of classroom flooring at WPS	\$10,473.82
Lighting upgrades at CMS/WHS gymnasiums	\$40,712.50

Replacement of Freezer at EES	\$9,741.01
Furniture replacement system wide	\$55,079.18
Drainage repair at WHS administrative office	\$13,786.49
TOTAL REQUEST:	\$243,267.13

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the Projects Authorization in the amount of two hundred forty-three thousand, two hundred sixty-seven and 13/100 to be paid from the new sales tax appropriation fund for FY 2016-2017, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: FIREWORKS - PERMISSION for FIREWORKS at SOUTH COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL on MONDAY, JULY 03, 2017, and WAIVER of FEE PERMIT:

Cynthia S. Nelson, EVP, Tabor City Chamber of Commerce, requested permission for fireworks for the 30th Annual Columbus County Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration and waiver of the fee permit.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve permission for fireworks for the 30th Annual Columbus County Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration at South Columbus High School on Monday, July 3, 2017, and waiver of the fee permit, seconded by Vice Chairman McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING

At 8:07 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into a combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 01, 2017 Combination Meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 2 for each Water District, respectively.

ADJOURN COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING

At 8:08 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #19: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

A. Budget Amendments:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	14-4311-550000	Capital Outlay	28,519
Revenues	14-3431-443003	US Marshal - DEA	28,519
Expenditures	10-4310-535300	M & R Vehicles	2,630
Revenues	10-3431-489000	Miscellaneous Revenue	2,630

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	10-5900-539903	Columbus County Schools Current Expenses	35,360
	10-5900-539904	City Schools Current	(35,360)

B. Tax Releases:

<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$470.93
Bass, Amy R.	PROPERTY: 23922	Total:	\$731.58
Value: \$64,500.00	Year: 2016	Account: 13-00727	Bill#: 86117
Release value of house. Burned 2/5/14 Release Klondyke Fire(40.95) release Columbus Rescue(11.70)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$504.98
Courteous Hospitality, LLC	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$569.28
Value: \$62,731.00	Year: 2016	Account: 01-06910	Bill#: 93373
Release value of equipment. Billed to new owner Act#01-05439 Release Whiteville Rescue(12.55) release late list			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$48.30
McCoy, Catherine (Heirs)	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$1,251.75
Value: \$3,000.00	Year: 15-16	Account: 01-55180	Bill#: 99999
Release value. Sold to Delones McCoy in 2009 per title search. Release Brunswick Fire(4.20) release Whiteville Rescue(1.20) release late list(5.38)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$326.03
McCumbee, Jimmy Franklin	PROPERTY: 96375	Total:	\$570.48
Value: \$40,500.00	Year: 2016	Account: 12-03234	Bill#: 12344
Release value. DBL Act#12-04044. Release Klondyke Fire(28.35) release Columbus Rescue(8.10)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$880.67
Powers, Todd Michael & Staci Lee	PROPERTY: 95139	Total:	\$1,011.95
Value: \$119,400.00	Year: 2016	Account: 10-01263	Bill#: 18724
Release portion of value. Home burned in 2015. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(109.40) release Columbus Rescue(21.88)			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Britt, Mary Catherine H.	PROPERTY: 29905	Total:	\$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 16-01505	Bill#: 88703
Release user fee. Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Donahue, Crystal	PROPERTY: 90404	Total:	\$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 03-02149	Bill#: 95227
Release user fee. Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Elliott, William	PROPERTY: 13702	Total:	\$416.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 07-05145	Bill#: 96470
Release user fees. Cans picked up 6/21/10. M/H Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Fipps, Wanda	PROPERTY: 19507	Total:	\$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 11-00949	Bill#: 97683
Release user fee. Vacant. Can picked up 4/6/2015			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Glenn, Randy	PROPERTY: 82108	Total:	\$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 16-00045	Bill#: 113
Release user fee. Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Graham, Christopher Glenn	PROPERTY: 90001	Total:	\$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 04-02111	Bill#: 1303
Release user fee. Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Hayes, Linda King	PROPERTY: 17877	Total:	\$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 10-02536	Bill#: 3687
Release user fee. Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00

Hill, Robert Mitchell, Sr. Value: \$0.00 Year: 12-16 Release user fees. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 19766 Account: 11-01457	Total: \$965.44 Bill#: 99999
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Huggins, Ricky Wayne & Jennifer F Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fee. 2 M/H vacant without cans.	PROPERTY: 81783 Account: 01-44641	Total: \$416.00 Bill#: 5858
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Morgan, Eddie Steward Value: \$0.00 Year: 13-14 Release user fees. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 00000 Account: 11-18866	Total: \$436.00 Bill#: 99999
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Powers, Samuel Devon & Robertha Lynn Value: \$0.00 Year: 13-15 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 1198 Account: 01-05957	Total: \$393.00 Bill#: 99999
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Shelley, C W & Margaret G. Heirs Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 22541 Account: 10-15251	Total: \$208.00 Bill#: 22541
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Smith, Janice Y Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fees. Vacant per Town of Whiteville. Prop#4828,4825,4831,3068	PROPERTY: 4828 Account: 01-08027	Total: \$605.00 Bill#: 99999
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Wade, Patty Cribb Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fee. Can picked up 3/6/2008	PROPERTY: 15634 Account: 09-01947	Total: \$208.00 Bill#: 29557
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Watts, Robert Thomas(Heirs) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fee. Dwelling vacant. Can picked up 2012.	PROPERTY: 8386 Account: 03-28660	Total: \$208.00 Bill#: 31175
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Whaley, Christopher Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fee. M/H Vacant.	PROPERTY: 31548 Account: 03-38799	Total: \$208.00 Bill#: 31548
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount: \$0.00
Whaley, Lorie Ann Value: \$0.00 Year: 2016 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 31571 Account: 11-02621	Total: \$208.00 Bill#: 31571

Agenda Item #20: COMMENTS:

Chairman Prevatte opened the floor for comments. The following spoke:

A. Department Manager:

Gary Lanier, Economic Development/Planning Director: stated Samantha Alsup took the Certified Zoning Officer Certification test and missed only one (1) out of the whole test, and now she is a certified Zoning Officer.

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Commissioner McDowell:** stated the following:
 - We attended County Assembly Day;
 - Representative Jones had an issue with a family member and could not meet with us, but Senator Danny Britt spent two (2) hours with us and listened closely to what we had to say, very accommodating, and he wants to hear from you;
 - Thank you Mr. Clark and your staff for all of the work on the budget; **and**
 - We need to put to rest letting the schools know what we are planning to do.
2. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:

-I would like to thank Mr. Clark and the staff for all of the hard work done on the budget; **and**

-I have spoken to Senator Britt this past week, and he is there for our best interest, and I thank him for what he does.

3. **Vice Chairman McKenzie:** stated the following:

-I would like to thank Mr. Clark and the staff for their hard work and good job;

-I attended the graduation at Southeastern Community College and observed a larger number of graduates which impressed me;

-I attended the Railroad Meeting at Southeastern Community College and I am glad we got it; **and**

-On Old Lumberton Road and Highway 410, there have been many accidents that have occurred, and I think the road needs to be re-positioned.

4. **Commissioner Burroughs:** stated the following:

-Thanks to Mr. Clark and the staff for their work on the budget; **and**

-Thank everyone that came out to speak tonight.

5. **Commissioner Russ:** stated the following:

-I want to thank Mr. Clark and the staff for their hard work on the budget;

-This past Wednesday, Chairman Prevatte, Commissioner McDowell and myself went to Raleigh, and Senator Britt spent more time with us than the previous senators did, and he has our best interest at heart; **and**

-I went to Special Olympics at Legion Stadium and enjoyed it.

6. **Commissioner Byrd:** stated the following:

-I would like to thank Mr. Clark and the staff for their work on the budget;

-Commissioner McKenzie and myself attended the railroad meeting at Southeastern Community College and the study that was done for the railroad, we did not get our money's worth;

-Columbus County ranked 61st in the State for property tax collections, and I am receiving many complaints about the manner the Tax Office is handling the citizens;

-Columbus County needs a facility to place people who have overdosed on drugs in lieu of turning them loose to participate in more drug activity; **and**

-The strongest senator in Raleigh is a Columbus County native, and he is our friend.

7. **Chairman Prevatte:** stated the following:

-We had a good trip on County Assembly Day and we heard from some key leadership;

-There is a very active legislation this year;

-Our Home Health is gone and the money needs to be moved back to the County;

-I concur with no surprise votes; **and**

-I would like to thank Mr. Clark and the staff for the budget.

C. **County Manager (William S. Clark):** stated the following:

1. The Senior Picnic will be tomorrow at the Fairgrounds from 9:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.;

2. Do you want to set the workshop for the Historic Courthouse tonight or wait until after the budget?; **and**

3. Bobbie and I met with the school superintendents and the following was discovered:

-There is approximately \$1.2 million loss in revenue which is greater than the amount in the study; **and**

-The savings would be derived by job loss.

D. **County Attorney (Michael H. Stephens):** stated the following:

1. I have three (3) issues that need to be addressed as follows:

A. ADM under funding for the three (3) previous years and the current year for Columbus County Schools;

B. ABC funding percentage for Columbus County Schools; **and**

C. Old Dock Sales Tax funding.

2. The following two (2) Agreements have been approved by the Board for the ADM under funding.

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS**

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 15th day of May, 2017, by and between Columbus County Schools a/k/a Columbus County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as “Schools”, party of the first part, and Columbus County Board of Commissioners, herein after referred to as the “Board”, party of the second part, both bodies established by the Laws of the State of North Carolina.

WITNESSETH:

THAT WHEREAS, the above named parties have recently been involved in a discussion concerning the allocation of local appropriations to the part of the First Part, by the Party of the Second Part, as the same pertain to the ADM allotments as provided for in N.C.G.S. 115C-430 as it concerns appropriations to school systems in a county when more than one school system exists, as is the case in Columbus County, with both the Columbus County Schools and the Whiteville City Schools receiving funding from the Party of the Second Part; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, it has been the custom of the Party of the Second Part to allot to the two (2) local school administrative units monies or appropriations for each local school administrative unit and then to add to each allotment for each administrative unit any increase in funding, when pursuant to NCGS 115C-430, the total of the two (2) local school administrative units’ allotments should have been totaled and then have the increase added to the total of the two allotments and then divide the same by the total membership/number of students in both local school administrative units. The Total membership of the local school administrative unit is the unit’s average daily membership (ADM) for the budget year to be determined by and certified to the unit and the Board of County Commissioners by the State Board of Education. The Board should then award to each local school administrative unit that amount of money, based on the ADM, multiplied by the total number of students in each respective local school administrative unit; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, the party of the first part has created a chart, representing the Local Funding Discrepancy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein for purposes of reference to the same for the figures as are shown on the Exhibit A; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, based upon the Exhibit A, the local Administrative Unit of the Columbus County Schools has received less than it was entitled to by the amounts shown in the last column of said Exhibit A entitled “Total Funds”, for each of the years as represented from the 2015-16 school calendar year to the 2010-11 school calendar year; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, the Party of the first part is limited by the three (3) year Statute of Limitations to the collection of the funds for the school years 2015-16, 2014-15 and 2013-14, as well as to the difference for the current school year, 2016-2017, which amount consists of respectively, \$202,284.31, \$231,638.57, \$282,233.34, and \$35,360.00, which amounts, when rounded to the nearest dollar, totals the sum of \$716,156.00, for the years 2015-16, 2014-15 and 2013-14. That for the current school year there is an additional \$35,360.00 that is due and owing to the Party of the First Part; **and**

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals and covenants, the Parties do each mutually agree with the other as follows:

1. That the Party of the Second Part and the Party of the Second Part have settled the matters concerning the complying with NCGS 115C-430 and shall dispense local funding to the two administrative units on an ADM basis as required by NCGS 115C-430; and that the Party of the Second part shall as soon as possible cause to be paid to the Party of the First Part, the Columbus County Schools, the sum of \$35,360.00 to correct the amount of local funding due for the current 2016-17 school year, and to cause to be paid for the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Five Hundred, and Sixteen Dollars and no/100 (\$751,516.00) as reimbursement for the local funding of ADM monies inappropriately withheld from the

Columbus County Schools as a result of the failure to properly follow and apply the legal effects of NCGS 115C-430.

That in return for the receipt of said payments, the Party of the First Part will and does release the Party of the Second Part from any and all liability for all past due payment discrepancies as is applied to Exhibit A or as may have existed prior to the dates in Exhibit A as pertain to Local Funding Discrepancies, in accordance with the three (3) year statute of limitations that governs the same.

- 2. That this Agreement is in full resolution of the issues as to the discrepancies in local funding as pertain to NCGS 115C-460 and the numerous contacts that the parties have had concerning the same an is in accordance with an agreement crafted between the attorneys for each party and as each party authorized to occur and which both parties by their respective signatures hereto do ratify and adopt as a resolution of the issues covered by this Agreement.

This the 15th day of May, 2017.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BY: /s/ JAMES PREVATTE, Chairman

ATTESTED BY:
/s/ JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to the Board

This instrument has bee pre-audited in the manner required by Local Government Budget and Fiscal Contract Act.

/s/ BOBBIE FAIRCLOTH
Columbus County Finance Officer

COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS A/K/A
COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BY: /s/ MONTE HERRING, Chairman

ATTESTED TO:
/s/ ALAN FAULK, Secretary/Superintendent

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 15th day of May, 2017, by and between Columbus County Schools a/k/a Columbus County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as “Schools”, party of the first part, and Columbus County Board of Commissioners, herein after referred to as the “Board”, party of the second part, both bodies established by the Laws of the State of North Carolina.

WITNESSETH:

THAT WHEREAS, the above named parties have recently been involved in a discussion concerning the allocation of local appropriations to the part of the First Part, by the Party of the Second Part, as the same pertain to the ADM allotments as provided for in N.C.G.S. 115C-430 as it concerns appropriations to school systems in a county when more than one school system exits, as is the case in Columbus County, with both the Columbus County Schools and the Whiteville City Schools receiving funding from the Party of the Second Part; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, it has been the custom of the Party of the Second Part to allot to the two (2) local school administrative units monies or appropriations for each local school administrative unit and then to add to each allotment for each administrative unit any increase in funding, when pursuant to NCGS 115C-430, the total of the two (2) local school administrative units’ allotments should have been totaled and then have the increase added to the total of the two allotments and then divide the same by the total membership/number of students in both local school administrative units. The Total membership of the local school administrative unit is the unit’s average daily membership (ADM) for the budget year to be determined by and certified to the unit and the Board of County Commissioners by the State Board of Education. The Board

should then award to each local school administrative unit that amount of money, based on the ADM, multiplied by the total number of students in each respective local school administrative unit; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, the party of the first part has created a chart, representing the Local Funding Discrepancy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein for purposes of reference to the same for the figures as are shown on the Exhibit A; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, based upon the Exhibit A, the local Administrative Units of the Columbus County Schools has received less than it was entitled to by the amounts shown in the last column of said Exhibit A entitled "Total Funds", for each of the years as represented from the 2015-16 school calendar year to the 2010-11 school calendar year; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, the Party of the first part is limited by the three (3) year Statute of Limitations to the collection of the funds for the school years 2015-16, 2014-15 and 2013-14, as well as to the difference for the current school year, 2016-2017, which amount consists of respectively, \$202,284.31, \$231,638.57, \$282,233.34, and \$35,360.00, which amounts, when rounded to the nearest dollar, totals the sum of \$716,156.00, for the years 2015-16, 2014-15 and 2013-14. That for the current school year there is an additional \$35,360.00 that is due and owing to the Party of the First Part; **and**

THAT WHEREAS, the Party of the First Party, has also found that the ABC funds have been being divided equally, 50% - 50%, between the local school administrative units of the Columbus County Schools and the Whiteville City Schools, and not on an ADM basis, resulting in deficiencies to the party of the first part in prior years (2011-2016) of \$47,555.21, which translates dollar-wise and pupil-wise to \$4.79 per student for Columbus County Students versus \$12.92 per student for Whiteville City Schools Students, and that the party of the second part has agreed that beginning with the 2017-2018 school year that the equal division will no longer occur and the ADM formula utilized for local funds shall also be applied to the ABC funds, that are allocated to the local administrative units on an ADM basis as provided for in NCGS 115C-430; **and**

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals and covenants, the Parties do each mutually agree with the other as follows:

1. That the Party of the Second Part and the Party of the Second Part have settled the matters concerning the complying with NCGA 115C-430 and shall dispense local funding to the two administrative units on an ADM basis as required by NCGS 115C-430; and that the Party of the Second part shall as soon as possible cause to be paid to the Party of the First Part, the Columbus County Schools, the sum of \$35,360.00 to correct the amount of local funding due for the current 2016-17 school year, and to cause to be paid for the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred and Sixteen Dollars and no/100 (\$751,516.00) as reimbursement for the local funding of ADM monies inappropriately withheld from the Columbus County Schools as a result of the failure to properly follow and apply the legal effects of NCGS 115C-430.

That in return for the receipt of said payments, the Party of the First Part will and does release the Party of the Second Part from any and all liability for all past due payment discrepancies as is applied to Exhibit A or as may have existed prior to the dates in Exhibit A as pertain to Local Funding Discrepancies, in accordance with the three (3) year statute of limitations that governs the same.

2. That the Party of the Second part in partial consideration of the release by the Party of the First Part as contained in the ADM Funding reflected in Paragraph 1 above, does further agree that beginning with the 2017-18 budget or school year, that it shall allocate the ABC funds, which have formerly been divided 50%-50% between the two administrative school units, in accordance with the ADM allocation set forth in NCGS 115C-430, so as to make the allotment per student in each administrative unit equal.
4. That this Agreement is in full resolution of the issues as to the discrepancies in local funding as pertain to NCGS 115C-460 and the numerous contacts that the parties have had concerning the same as is in accordance with an agreement crafted between the attorneys for each party and as each party authorized to occur and which both parties by their

respective signatures hereto do ratify and adopt as a resolution of the issues covered by this Agreement.

This the 15th day of May, 2017.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BY: /s/ JAMES PREVATTE, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:
/s/ JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to the Board**

This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by Local Government Budget and Fiscal Contract Act.

**/s/ BOBBIE FAIRCLOTH
Columbus County Finance Officer**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS A/K/A
COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BY: /s/ MONTE HERRING, Chairman**

**ATTESTED TO:
/s/ ALAN FAULK, Secretary/Superintendent**

3. Old Dock Sales Tax Funding

MOTION:

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the Agreement by and between Columbus County Schools a/k/a Columbus County Board of Education for the sum of seven hundred sixteen thousand, one hundred fifty-six and 00/100 (\$716,156.00) dollars, and the sum of thirty-five thousand, three hundred sixty and 00/100 (\$35,360.00) dollars for the current school year which equates to seven hundred fifty-one thousand, five hundred sixteen and 00/100 (\$751,516.00) dollars for the ADM under funding for the previous three (3) years, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

MOTION:

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the budget amendment to deduct the funds of thirty-five thousand, three hundred sixty and 00/100 (\$35,360.00) dollars from Whiteville City Schools to add to Columbus County Schools, seconded by Vice Chairman McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the Agreement by and between Columbus County Schools a/k/a Columbus County Board of Education for the ADM formula utilized for local funds for the ABC funds for the 2017/2018 school year, seconded by Commissioner McDowell.

A roll-call vote was taken with the following results:

AYES: Vice Chairman McKenzie, Commissioners Burroughs, Byrd, McDowell and Bullard; **and**
NAYS: Chairman Prevatte and Commissioner Russ.

The motion passes on a five (5) to two (2) vote.

Issue Number 3 was not addressed.

Agenda Item #21: ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:47 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2017
8:07 P.M.**

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte, Chairman
Amon E. McKenzie, Vice-Chairman
Giles E. Byrd
Edwin Russ
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, County Manager
Mike Stephens, County Attorney
June Hall, Clerk to the Board
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:07 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 01, 2017 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the May 01, 2017 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:08 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2017
8:07 P.M.**

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte, Chairman
Amon E. McKenzie, Vice-Chairman
Giles E. Byrd
Edwin Russ
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, County Manager
Mike Stephens, County Attorney
June Hall, Clerk to the Board
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:07 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 01, 2017 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the May 01, 2017 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:08 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2017
8:07 P.M.**

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte, Chairman
Amon E. McKenzie, Vice-Chairman
Giles E. Byrd
Edwin Russ
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, County Manager
Mike Stephens, County Attorney
June Hall, Clerk to the Board
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:07 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 01, 2017 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the May 01, 2017 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:08 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2017
8:07 P.M.**

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte, Chairman
Amon E. McKenzie, Vice-Chairman
Giles E. Byrd
Edwin Russ
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, County Manager
Mike Stephens, County Attorney
June Hall, Clerk to the Board
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:07 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 01, 2017 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the May 01, 2017 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:08 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2017
8:07 P.M.

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte, Chairman
Amon E. McKenzie, Vice-Chairman
Giles E. Byrd
Edwin Russ
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, County Manager
Mike Stephens, County Attorney
June Hall, Clerk to the Board
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:07 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 01, 2017 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the May 01, 2017 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:08 P.M., Vice Chairman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman