COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 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, it being the third Tuesday, the third Monday being a legal holiday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

Charles T. McDowell

Mike Stephens, County Attorney /
County Manager
Gail Edwards, Assistant to Manager
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

APPOINTEE ABSENT:
June B. Hall, Clerk to Board

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

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie called the January 16, 2018 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 Trent Burroughs.

Agenda Item #4: TOAST to the FLAG:

Commissioner P. Edwin Russ delivered the following Toast to the Flag, in memory of Uncle Paisley, and all of the men and women who have fought for the freedom of our country.

HERE IS TO THE RED OF IT, There's not a thread of it. No, nor a shred of it in all the spread of it from foot to head. But heroes have bled for it, faced steel and lead for it, precious blood shed for it, bathing it red;

HERE IS TO THE WHITE OF IT, Thrilled by the sight of it, Who knows the right of it, But feels the might of it through day and night; Womanhood's care for it, Made manhood dare for it, Purity's prayer for it, keeps it so white;

<u>HERE IS TO THE BLUE OF IT</u>: Beauteous view of it, heavenly hue of it, Star Spangled dew of it, constant and true; Diadems gleam for it, State stands supreme for it, liberty's beam for it, brightens the blue!

HERE IS TO THE WHOLE OF IT: Stars, stripes and pole of it, Body and soul of it, O, and the roll of it, Sun shining through, Hearts in accord for it, Swear by the sword for it, Thanking the Lord for it, RED, WHITE AND BLUE!

Agenda Item #5: PRESENTATIONS:

The following three (3) documents were presented by Chairman McKenzie in appreciation and recognition. These documents were approved and adopted at the January 02, 2018 Board Meeting.

- A. Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition to Lake Waccamaw Fire Department Station Number 9;
- B. Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition to Lake Waccamaw Fire Chief Jerry Gore; and
- C. Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition to Town of Lake Waccamaw.

Agenda Item #6: PRESENTATION - PROCLAMATION of APPRECIATION and RECOGNITION to GREG COX:

Chairman McKenzie requested the Board to approve, adopt and present the following

Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition to Greg Cox for a heroic and kind act.

PROCLAMATION of <u>APPRECIATION</u> and <u>RECOGNITION</u> to GREGCOX

WHEREAS, within Columbus County, there are several active and volunteer rescue people that render aid to the citizens in times of need and injury within the most prompt time within their power; and

WHEREAS, *Greg Cox* is a volunteer firefighter who freely gives his energy and time to help anyone in need; and

WHEREAS, on January 02, 2018, *Greg Cox* was faced with a situation which involved a handicapped veteran neighbor who was physically on fire and unable to help himself; and

WHEREAS, *Greg Cox* made a decision to render all the help he could to his burning neighbor, with what he had to work with, and miraculously saved his life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners proudly presents this **Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition** to *Greg Cox* for his brave deed to render life-saving actions to save the life of his neighbor.

APPROVED, ADOPTED and PRESENTED this the 16th day of January, 2018.

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/s/ AMON E. McKENZIE Chairman
/s/ JAMES E. PREVATTE
/s/ P. EDWIN RUSS
/s/ RICKY BULLARD
ATTESTED BY:
/s/ CHARLES T. McDOWELL
/s/ MICHAEL H. STEPHENS, Manager / Attorney

Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to approve, adopt and present the Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition to Greg Cox, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #7: PRESENTATION - RETIREMENT PLAQUES:

Chairman McKenzie presented the following plaque to Murray C. Bishop for his many years of service to the Columbus County Maintenance Department.

PRESENTED TO

MURRAY C. BISHOP

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION
FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LOYALTY
TO
COLUMBUS COUNTY MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

08-11-1997 - 12-20-2017

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Chairman McKenzie presented the following plaque to Michael Shaw for his many years of service to the Columbus County Cooperative Extension Department.

PRESENTED TO

MICHAEL SHAW

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION
FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LOYALTY
TO
COLUMBUS COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

7-01-1988 - 12-31-2017

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Agenda Item #8: <u>BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL</u>:

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the January 02, 2018 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #9: PUBLIC INPUT:

Chairman McKenzie opened the floor for Public Input. No Public Input was received either orally or written.

Agenda Items #10 and #11: OPIOID ADDICTION LITIGATION - DISCUSSION:

Cynthia Singletary, Bladen County Attorney, Richard Wright, Attorney, Jake Daniel, Attorney, and Mike Fuller, Attorney, requested the Columbus County Board of Commissioners to join the coalition in the fight against opioid abuse.

Cynthia Singletary stated the following:

- 1. Thank you for allowing me to speak tonight;
- 2. I have been practicing law for thirty-two (32) years;
- 3. Attorney Richard Wright and I have worked together through the years;
- 4. Opioids are placing great strains for local governments, and southeastern North Carolina has been identified as one of the hardest hit areas in the country;
- 5. When certain prescription pain killers were released for market, the manufacturers were aware of the negative side effects, but did not inform the FDA, and this was due to them making a good profit; **and**
- 6. The side effects and addiction of these pain killers have played havoc on many lives which is among the young and older citizens.

Richard Wright stated the following:

- 1. I need to leave and I would like to set the stage for what is going to happen;
- 2. All of us have been touched by this crisis; and
- 3. Jake Daniel and Mike Fuller will be here to explain this litigation.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into PUBLIC HEARING:

At 7:00 P.M., Commission Bullard made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into a Public Hearing, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING - Firing Range Ordinance: the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive oral and written comments from the public.

PUBLIC HEARING CALLED to ORDER:

Chairman McKenzie called the Public Hearing to order and requested that Michael H. Stephens, County Manager / Attorney, orally read the Policy on Comments at Public Hearings. Mr. Stephens orally read the policy in its entirety.

COMMENTS:

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

- 1. **Gary Lanier, Economic Development / Planning Department:** stated the following:
 - -This Firing Range Ordinance was initiated due to some problems we have had in the past with some existing publicly operated firing ranges;
 - -We were asked to put some guidelines in place to protect surrounding landowners wherever a gun range currently exists or where one might be eventually located;
 - -This is not, in any way, an ordinance that would keep a dad from going out in the field behind his house and shooting cans;

- -This has nothing to do with anyone who goes out on his property and siting his rifle during hunting season, or going on his property and shooting at targets;
- -What it does affect are those establishments put together for the purpose of a shooting club, a publicly accessible shooting range who anyone can come and pay a fee, go out on the range and shoot or discharge their weapons;
- -It is not applicable to any shooting area that is not accessible to the public that is not for a fee, or someone that pays a membership fee to be a part of;
- -It does affect those establishments where shooting competitions are held on a regular basis, or someone who is doing a firearms training class;
- -This is the purpose of what this is for, it does have anything to do with people's hunting rights;
- -It has nothing to do with anyone going on their private personal property and target practice, shoot skeet; **and**
- -The Planning Board has reviewed this draft and they want more information and have asked us to get public comments.

Commissioner Byrd: Would this affect the concealed weapon firing ranges? Mr. Lanier replied stating if the right safety standards and measures are in place, it would not. We need input from the Board of Commissioners and the public on this matter.

Commissioner Prevatte: I have a question on the Shooting range facility. Mr. Lanier replied stating the definition is a public or private facility, including individual shooting ranges, safety fans or shortfall zones, structures, parking areas, and other associated improvements, designed for the purpose of providing a place for the discharge of various types of firearms or the practice of archery. Please note the last sentence reads "Does not include incidental target areas on private property".

Commissioner Bullard: How does this affect turkey shoots? Mr. Lanier replied stating these are exempted.

Commissioner Prevatte: Once completed, we need to have another public hearing, and it needs adequate advertisement and exposure to the public.

Commissioner Byrd: We need a committee put together. Mr. Lanier stated this is a Planning and Zoning Regulation.

Michael H. Stephens, County Manager / Attorney: This is just a proposal. We are getting input from various counties.

- 2. Anthony G. Buck, 15260 Seven Creeks Highway, Tabor City, NC 28463 stated the following:
 - -We are having trouble with the Shooting Range Low Country Hunting Reserve and Gun Range;
 - -The problem that I have is they are shooting machine guns and the bullets are landing on my house;
 - -One of my neighbors had a window to be shot out and they were willing to replace it;
 - -I can't allow my child and wife to ride around on the golf cart because of the shots being fired:
 - -The owner has been working on adding to the height of the berms; and
 - -Many of the pine trees have bullet holes in them.
- 3. **Johnny D. Edge, 470 Happy Home Road, Nakina, NC 28455:** stated the following:
 - -Health and safety should be everyone's top priority;
 - -It is evident this is just a beginning rough draft;
 - -The noise mitigation is too low and needs to be revised; and
 - -We need verbiage change and the prime concern to be the health and safety of our citizens.
- 4. Margaret W. Roland, 93 Price Road, Whiteville, NC 28472: stated the following:
 - -This did not make any sense the way it was printed in the paper;
 - -From what has been explained here tonight, it does make more sense;
 - -I am a native of Columbus County, and always thought the rural areas of Columbus County would allow you to use reasonable firearms; **and**
 - -This privilege should not be taken away with health and safety being considered.

5. Harold G. Pope, 706 W. Madison Street, Whiteville, NC 28472: stated the following:

- -I have been told that I would not be able to target shoot anymore because the County Commissioners were planning to outlaw that;
- -The verbiage that is in the ordinance can be interpreted several different ways, and the word commercial needs to be in there;
- -This does not include incidental target areas on private property;
- -It refers to existing firing ranges, Statue 14-409.46 states what you and the County can do for the existing firing ranges;
- -Commissioner Byrd mentioned a committee, and I will be glad to help, and the less government the better; and
- -I hope you will give this close attention and have another public hearing.

6. **Timothy "Revis" Long, 411 Sunny South Road, Chadbourn, NC 28431:** stated the following:

- -I would like to thank all of you for your tireless work that you do for the county and the opportunity to be able to speak tonight;
- -The people who created this document does not have the love and respect for outdoors like some do;
- -The definition of **shooting range** is an area provided with targets for the controlled practice of shooting;
- -I have my own shooting range my wife and I enjoy, and it is 53 yards from our bedroom window;
- -We do have turkey shoots and other fund-raising activities at my shooting range; and
- -We need to practice good common sense and consideration for our neighbors.

7. Craig M. Hinson, 1137 Bill Nobles Road, Cerro Gordo, NC: stated the following:

- -The information in the paper did not make any sense;
- -We do not need our rights on our private property to be taken away; and
- -We need to use good common sense with this matter.

8. **Howard Lofton Cox, Jr., 2133 Howard Cox Road, Tabor City, NC 28463:** stated the following:

- -I had the opportunity to talk to five (5) of the seven (7) County Commissioners;
- -I came here tonight to talk about the paragraph in the paper;
- -The Planning Department representative was only aware of one (1) firing range in Columbus County, but I know of two (2) firing ranges being in Columbus County;
- -What is being discussed here tonight is relative to what is happening at the firing range in Pireway;
- -The facility in Pireway is a first class facility;
- -If you have bullets being fired close to your house, it needs to be dealt with, private or commercial;
- -If you have one on your private property, the County should have no right with anybody that has a range like that;
- -Machine guns are being reported, and there is a special permit and license to own a machine gun, and this needs to be handled on a different level;
- -This material was not reported very well, and only one (1) range is being referred to; **and** -If incidences are happening like being reported, they should be modifications to deal with what is happening.

9. **Shane Hardee, Mollie, Walter Todd Road:** stated the following:

- -In reading the content of the ordinance, there are several areas of conflicting verbiage that needs to be clarified;
- -There are several grammatical errors that need to be corrected;
- -The situation in Pireway needs attention and corrected; and
- -All I am asking is that you do your due diligence in the wording that will affect the future generations.

10. **David Manolis, Chadbourn, North Carolina:** stated the following:

- -There are two (2) items that I want to address;
- -House Bill 562 pretty much tells you what you can and can't do with existing ranges, and I will agree to serve on a committee for this purpose; **and**
- -Gary mentioned the turkey shoots they are well organized and watched closely.

11. **Richard Hensley:** stated the following:

- -Safety issues should always be considered;
- -I live one (1) mile from the Southeastern Community College Firing Range which the Law Enforcement officers use;
- -There is another firing range located on Princess Anne Road;
- -There is a difference between a dummy and a fool;
- -You can teach a dum person something, but you can't teach a fool nothing;
- -I commend the Sheriff's Department and the County Commissioners for what they do for the citizens of Columbus County; **and**
- -I would like to see some safety issues addressed relative to the firing ranges.

Commissioner Giles E. Byrd: This ordinance needs a committee for public input at every level, and each Commissioner needs to make at least one (1) appointment from their district.

12. **Frankin Thurman:** stated the following:

- -I am a little bit shocked;
- -People were bringing their information in before the Planning Board got it to be looked at;
- -This would not have got to this point, if the proper procedures had been followed;
- -The Planning Board members have not approved this document for recommendation; and
- -This needs to go back to the drawing board.

13. **Jerry Gore:** stated the following:

- -I live near Anthony Buck in Pireway;
- -As far as time, this is very dangerous; and
- -I am worried someone is going to get killed.

(Continued) Agenda Items #10 and #11: OPIOID ADDICTION LITIGATION - DISCUSSION:

Jake Daniel, Attorney: stated the following:

- 1. I forwarded some information to Mr. Stephens for you to look at and consider during our presentation;
- 2. We have a local council team here in North Carolina, and it is attached to national litigators for the opioid litigation;
- 3. Mr. Wright was in the legislature with my father;
- 4. I will turn the table over to Mike Fuller who has flew in from Hattiesburg, Mississippi; and
- 5. Southeastern North Carolina is affected badly by this opioid epidemic.

Mike Fuller, Attorney: stated the following:

- 1. I am part of the National Consortium, a group of lawyers who actually started the opioid litigation on a county basis;
- 2. We started this back early this year in West Virginia;
- 3. The way the industry works, the wholesale distributors are middle men;
- 4. Based on the Control Substance Act 1970, the manufacturers talk about Purdue Pharma, the makers of the pills, cannot sell directly to end users;
- 5. They can't sell to doctors, pharmacists and hospitals, and they are required, according to the Control Substance Act to go through a middleman;
- 6. Congress tried in 1970's, because these are potentially abusive medications, addictive medications, they wanted to put them in what they called a closed system;
- 7. They make the manufacturers go through the wholesale distributors;
- 8. If you are the wholesale distributor, you have to register with the DEA, and you become what you call a Registrant;
- 9. When you are a registrant, you take on two (2) statutory obligations as follows:
 - -You create a system to prevent the diversion of these controlled substances from this closed system to the illicit market;
 - -You have an obligation related to what is called suspicious orders which is to report shipments and investigate.
- 10. Columbus County has a tremendous amount of pills being dumped into the county;
- 11. We are representing counties on this issue and bringing it as a public nuisance claim;
- 12. You, as County Commissioners, have an obligation to protect the health, welfare and safety;
- 13. We ask that you pass a resolution declaring this opioid epidemic as a public nuisance;
- 14. We ask that you hire us to pursue the matter for you and we prepare a complaint, and file the complaint on behalf of the county;
- 15. This will be a county claim, not a state claim or legislature's claim;
- 16. You decide on how it proceeds, what to settle for and what you spend the money on at the

- end of the day;
- 17. We are up to eighteen (18) different states;
- 18. This is not a class action;
- 19. You can go to multi-district suits, called GPML;
- 20. We do this on a contingency basis, and on a 30% fees, plus expenses;
- 21. The expense caused so far is there, and we are trying to create a damage model to abate the nuisance;
- 22. The damage model will include education, law enforcement and treatment which could cost up to \$10 million;
- 23. We have two (2) goals transparency and accountability; and
- 24. The entities that have made billions of dollars off of these drugs needs to made accountable and their conduct needs to be brought to light.

After discussion, Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to take this matter under consideration, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #12: EMS COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT - JVC KENWOOD:

Ron Runyan, JVC Kenwood, requested the balance of payment for services rendered for the EMS Communications Project.

Mr. Runyan stated the following:

- 1. At the last meeting I attended, I stated that we had three (3) areas to finish;
- 2. At this time, we have finished the drawings, we have finished the binders;
- 3. We have not finalized the templates due it taking longer that we anticipated it would take; and
- 4. I will not be requesting the balance of payment for the services rendered.

Agenda Item #13: INTERNATIONAL LOGISTICS PARK INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT EFFORT -UPDATE:

Emily Miller, McAdams and Associates, LLC, will present an update on the efforts to obtain grant funding.

Chairman McKenzie stated this Agenda Item will be re-scheduled.

Agenda Item #14: <u>ADMINISTRATION / LEGAL - ESTABLISH DATE and TIME for</u> PUBLIC HEARING:

Michael H. Stephens, County Manager / Attorney, requested February 05, 2018, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for Public Hearing for conveyance of former Georgia Pacific property.

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to establish February 05, 2018, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for a Public Hearing for conveyance of former Georgia Pacific property, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - REVISED DRUG and ALCOHOL POLICY:

Joy Jacobs, Public Transportation Director, requested Board approval of the revised Drug and Alcohol Policy.

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the **revised** Drug and Alcohol Policy for Columbus County Public Transportation, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this policy will be kept in the Columbus County Public Transportation Department, for review.

Agenda Item #16: SOCIAL SERVICES - MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

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

On December 1, 2017 we began the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP); which assists with energy costs. During the month of December, only those individuals who are 60 years

of age or older; receiving services through the Division of Aging and Ault Services, are eligible to apply. All other individuals who are not in the target group will be able to apply beginning January 1, 2018.

On December 12, 2017 myself and the two Program Managers met with representatives from the North Carolina Division of Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing. The purpose of this meeting was to learn about services and resources that are available to help public agencies communicate and provide services to individuals who are deaf and/or hard of hearing. The representatives have offered to provide our agency with materials and training on how to work with this population sometime in the new year. This was a very informative and interesting meeting, especially since one of the ladies was deaf. We have been fortunate not to have any issues communicating, but want to make sure we are able to assist citizens with all types of disabilities.

On December 13, 2017 we held our agency Christmas luncheon from 12 noon to 2pm. The luncheon was well attended and enjoyed by all. Special thanks to the ERC Committee, our County Manager, Board of Commissioners and other county staff for supporting us. This event was sponsored by our DSS employees.

On December 14, 2017 I attended the Directors Association's monthly Executive Board meeting. During the meeting, we received an update from the NCFAST Team about system issues that they are working to fix. Several Directors voiced concerns about the fact the system has been down almost all the week and there are still log on issues being reported by staff. We also are concerned because workers are not able to process applications and re-certifications; which will affect our timeliness requirements in Medicaid and Food & Nutrition.

In addition, there was a discussion about Child Welfare programs being piloted in NCFAST. Those counties that are involved are continuing to find issues with the system. State representatives admitted the Child Welfare Policy and the NCFAST system are not perfectly aligned; which is a problem and will have to be fixed before counties go live in NCFAST statewide. At this point, the Director's Association has concerns about the system being rolled out statewide until problems can be fixed so staff will be able to work effectively in the system.

We also received some information from Drake Maynard on personnel policies for state and local government agencies. He explained not all policies of State Human Resources apply to DSS agencies; but to school systems, DOT and universities.

Dave Richards, from the Division of Medical Assistance, informed counties of the state's takeover of Cardinal Mental Health Services. He stated they will be providing information about services to those counties serviced by Cardinal. We also learned funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) was only extended through September 2017. It has been projected that all federal funds for states will be exhausted by March 2018. At this point, congress has not acted to appropriate additional funds for CHIP. Without this funding, coverage for these individuals could end; unless they are eligible for Medicaid. At this point, we have not been given any information on how this will affect local county DSS agencies. I feel sure it will have an impact on families in Columbus County and our workload in Family and Children's Medicaid.

November 2017 Economic Services

PROGRAM	STATISTICS
Food & Nutrition	Applications Taken: 225 Applications Approved: 183 Active Cases: 5,442 Benefits Issued: \$1,355,684 Participants Served: 11,080
Adult Medicaid	Applications Taken: 186 Cases Terminated: 48 Redeterminations: 441 Applications Processed: 156

Family & Children's Medicaid	Applications Taken: 234 Applications Processed: 126 Redeterminations: 437 Total Medicaid Cases: 13,966 Total Individuals Receiving: 25,945
Child Support	Absent Parents Located: 132 Orders Enforced: 1,010 Active Cases: 3,954 Collections: \$461,651.82

November 2017 Human Services

PROGRAM	STATISTICS
Adult Services (APS)	APS Reports Accepted: 18 County Wards: 23 Number of Payee Cases: 16 Adults Served APS: 28 Number of Medicaid Transportation Trips: 509 Amount Requested for Reimbursement: \$3,792.00
Children's Protective Services (CPS)	Reports Accepted: 30 Reports Screened Out: 15 Families Receiving In-Home Services: 26 Children Served: 60 Contacts with Families Monthly: 292 Assessments: 24
Foster Care	Foster Children in Foster Homes: 64 Children Placed Outside County: 18 Agency Adoptions: 0 Pending Adoptions: 4 Total Foster Homes Licensed: 5 Total Children in Foster Care: 68
Work First Employment (TANF)	Applications Taken: 36 Applications Approved: 35 Individuals Receiving Benefits: 196 Entered Employment: 4 Number in Non-Paid Work Experience: 3
Program Integrity	Collections for Fraud: \$4,577.58 New Referrals: 0 Cases Established: 3
Day Care	Children Receiving Day Care Assistance: 387 Children on the Waiting List: 591 Amount Spent on Day Care Services: \$142,964.00

December 2017 Economic Services

Food & Nutrition	Applications Taken: 324 Applications Approved: 166 Active Cases: 5,736 Benefits Issued: \$1,358,924 Participants Served: 12,272
Adult Medicaid	Applications Taken: 123 Cases Terminated: 14 Redeterminations: 595 Applications Processed: 136

Family & Children's Medicaid	Applications Taken: 179 Applications Processed: 154 Redeterminations: 313 Total Medicaid Cases: 13,959 Total Individuals Receiving: 23,192
Child Support	Absent Parents Located: 99 Orders Enforced: 977 Active Cases: 3,931 Collections: \$430,379.58

December 2017 Human Services

PROGRAM	STATISTICS
Adult Services (APS)	APS Reports Accepted: 21 County Wards: 24 Number of Payee Cases: 19 Adults Served APS: 32 Number of Medicaid Transportation Trips: 2,382 Amount Requested for Reimbursement: \$36,970.14
Children's Protective Services (CPS)	Reports Accepted: 22 Reports Screened Out: 24 Families Receiving In-Home Services: 27 Children Served: 60 Contacts with Families Monthly: 265 Assessments: 21
Foster Care	Foster Children in Foster Homes: 65 Children Placed Outside County: 20 Agency Adoptions: 0 Pending Adoptions: 4 Total Foster Homes Licensed: 5 Total Children in Foster Care: 65
Work First Employment (TANF)	Applications Taken: 26 Applications Approved: 16 Individuals Receiving Benefits: 311 Entered Employment: 3 Number in Non-Paid Work Experience: 1
Program Integrity	Collections for Fraud: \$4,650.04 New Referrals: 0 Cases Established: 0
Day Care	Children Receiving Day Care Assistance: 460 Children on the Waiting List: 600 Amount Spent on Day Care Services: \$242,169.12

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: December 2017

News/Updates/Vacancies

Adult and Family & Children's Medicaid:

Open Enrollment thru the Federal Marketplace ended on December 15th which means our applications coming to us electronically should decrease beginning January 2018. The Adult Unit has been very busy with regular redetermination plus all Adults that are on the MQB/E (Medicaid

program that pays only the Medicare premiums) must have their Medicaid reviewed. No matter when you apply for this program your certification period will end December 31st of every year. We currently have 176 clients on this program.

North Carolina Health Choice (CHIP) is a Medicaid program thru BCBS for children from age 6-18 that is currently under consideration of not being funded after March 2018. We have 395 cases under this program in the Family and Children's Department. This Medicaid program has the highest income limit amongst any of our other Medicaid programs. We could potentially have children that are not eligible for any other programs if they elect not to fund this program any longer. We currently have a worker that has resigned and will be working in our neighboring Bladen County.

Food and Nutrition:

We have been very busy with taking Food and Nutrition applications for December with the added number of clients for our Energy program. The State completed a Follow-up Timeliness Monitoring and we are in compliance for 2017 and out from under our corrective action with them. The number of clients that come in to apply fluctuates each day which makes it difficult for workers to sometimes get the required 4-day timeframe of getting certain applications processed timely.

Child Support and Paralegal:

Child Support prepared 308 cases for court and continue to struggle with keeping their work timely. One of the applicants we chose to fill a vacancy turned down our offer however, we welcome a new worker as he begins his training. We are currently in the interviewing process to fill the other vacancies.

Work First Cash/Medicaid Transportation/Interpreter/Maintenance and Housekeeping/Deputy:

- The interpreter has been very busy since we have been taking Energy applications. During her down times she is working with the Medicaid Transportation Team.
- Medicaid Transportation continues to be a very busy program and has been working well since going into NCTRACKS.
- WorkFirst Cash continues to keep their work timely.
- Housekeeping and Maintenance is busy with the added clients for Energy.
- Deputy Best does a very professional job and has been helping with the "Energy crowd". He monitors everything well which allows us to feel safer while we are at work.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD REPORT

Melinda H. Lane, Program Manager Vacancies/Updates/News for December 2017

Intake/Investigation/Assessment:

The Intake/Investigation/Assessment Unit continues to be fully staffed and busy! All staff have busy caseloads and are continuing to get updated training. Staff in this Unit are beginning to orient themselves to the NCFast system as Child Welfare currently has plans to begin in March. Staff are beginning to take required trainings for NCFast.

In-Home Services:

The In-Home Services Unit continues to be short-staffed. Interviews were completed, however, the position has been re-advertised. Staff in this Unit are beginning to orient themselves to the NCFast system as Child Welfare currently has plans to begin in March. Staff are beginning to take required trainings for NCFast.

Foster Care/Adoptions:

The Foster Care/Adoptions Unit continues to be short-staffed due to the transition to the new Unit. Recommendations from interviews have been made and space is being sought for these staff. Staff in this Unit are beginning to orient themselves to the NCFast system as Child Welfare currently has plans to begin in March. Staff are beginning to take required trainings for NCFast.

Transitional Unit:

The new transitional unit continues to take shape. This Unit is now fully staffed and needed trainings are being taken, although space continues to be an issues. Plans are being discussed to

begin active recruitment for more foster parents and adoptive parents with an event possible in the Spring of 2018. Staff in this Unit are beginning to orient themselves to the NCFast system as Child Welfare currently has plans to begin in March. Staff are beginning to take required trainings for NCFast.

Adult Services:

The Adult Services Unit continues to be fully staffed and very busy. Cases are becoming more complex with more issues. Many members of this Unit are in training and cross-training in order to work together more efficiently.

Work First Employment:

The Work First Employment Unit continues to work within the NCFAST system with daily issues. 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 continues to work within the NCFAST system dealing with daily issues and updates.

Program Integrity:

Program Integrity continues to work hard to get caught up with program integrity duties and cases. Five temporary workers continue to work fulltime taking Crisis Intervention Program applications and Low Income Energy Assistance Program applications. In December 122 applications were taken for CIP with 120 approvals and 441 applications were taken for LIEAP with 414 approvals. It appears these programs will continue to have funding through the month of January and most of February. Applications take longer to complete making it harder to see as many applicants during a day.

Agenda Item #17: APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEE/BOARDS:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested the following appointments/reappointments/replacements be made to the following boards/committees.

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR. DATE	BOARD ACTION
Planning Board	V	Al Leonard (Resigned)	09-30-2017	Mark Stocks
Tourism Development Authority	V	Vacancy (Diane Ward)	12/2016	Jeannie Johnson
Water and Sewer Advisory Commissioner	V	Ned Hughes (Resigned)	06-02-2018	Steve Long

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

At 8:49 P.M., Commissioner Bullard 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 Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

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

January 02, 2018 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 <u>COMBINATION MEETING</u> of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING:

At 8:50 P.M., Commissioner Prevatte 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 McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #19: <u>CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS</u>:

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

A. **Budget Amendments:**

ТҮРЕ	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	68-4520-599900	CCPC - Purchase of Services	(1,000)
	68-4520-512100	Salaries/Wages - Regular	2,844
	68-4520-518100	FICA	302
	68-4520-518200	Retirement	120
	68-4520-518300	Insurance	2,314
	68-4520-532200	Internet Service Providers	(300)
	68-4520-538900	Security Services	200
	68-4520-539400	Cleaning Services	(500)
	68-4520-539900	Other Services and Maint - Landscaping	1,656
	68-4520-539800	Landscaping	(1,400)
	68-4520-548100	Central Services	(1,636)
	68-4520-550010	Capital Outlay	(3,700)
	68-4520-521200	Uniform and Clothing	100
Revenues	68-3452-430103	Partnership For Children	(1,000)
Expenditures	10-4190-555000	Equipment	12,858
Revenues	10-3991-499101	Fund Balance Appropriated	12,858
Expenditures	67-4925-533000	Utilities	11,805
	67-4925-550000	Capital Outlay	13,245
	67-4925-535110	M&R Bldg/Grds	1,548
Revenues	67-3834-486020	Tabor City Revenues	6,623
	67-3834-486010	Rents	19,975

B. Tax Refunds and Releases:

Property Value	Amount:	\$609	.40				
Barnhill, Peggy Sue			PROPERT	Y : 00000	Total:		\$624.54
Value: \$75,702.00	Year:	2017	Account:	01-01330	Bill#:	49215	
Release business equ	ipment.Solo	l.Release	Whiteville Re	escue(15.14)			
Property Value					Amour	nt:	\$233.45
Bullard Archie (Dec)	& Tiny M.		PROPERT	Y: 00000	Total:		\$349.45
Value: \$29,000.00	Year:	2017	Account:	10-01520	Bill#:	10503	
Release value and us	er fee. Hon	e flooded	in hurricane	Matthew. Release Colu	umbus		
Rescue(5.80)							
Property Value					Amour	nt:	\$547.17
Campbell, AW			PROPERT	Y: 755	Total:		\$560.67
Value: \$7,500.00	Year:	08-17	Account:	01-12060	Bill#:	99999	
Release value sold at	tax sale for	legal fees	. Release Wh	iteville Rescue(13.50)			
Property Value		_			Amour	nt:	\$16.10
Canady, Dianna H.			PROPERT	Y : 6512	Total:		\$18.10
Value: \$0.00	Year:	2017	Account:	03-04107	Bill#:	54261	,

Release portion of value. Acres corrected Columbus Rescue(.40)	for 2017. Release Old Dock (1.60) re	elease	
Property Value		Amount:	\$50.15
Coleman, James Chadwick	PROPERTY: 88271	Total:	\$58.88
Value: \$6,230.00 Year: 2017	Account: 15-03344	Bill#: 55968	
Release value of boat. Listed in SC. Releas Rescue(1.25)	se Acme Delco(7.48) release Columb	ous	
Property Value		Amount:	\$396.87
Cox, Jonathan Kyle	PROPERTY: 10550	Total:	\$456.03
Value: \$49,300.00 Year: 2017	Account: 06-00738	Bill#: 56799	
Release portion of value. SHB Billed at LU Columbus Rescue(9.86)	J value. Release Yam City Fire(49.3	0) release	
Property Value		Amount:	\$185.96
Cox, Jonathan Kyle	PROPERTY: 75125	Total:	\$190.58
Value: \$23,100.00 Year: 2017	Account: 01-07208	Bill#: 56786	
Release portion of value. SHB Billed at LU	J value. release Columbus Rescue(4.	·	*1* • • •
Property Value		Amount:	\$12.08
Cox, Kyle A	PROPERTY: 13449	Total:	\$13.88
Value: \$1,500.00 Year: 2017	Account: 07-01916	Bill#: 56813	
Release portion of value. SHB Billed at LU Columbus Rescue(.30)	Value. Release Yam City (1.50) rei	ease	
Property Value		Amount:	\$227.82
Cox, Kyle A	PROPERTY: 30035	Total:	\$261.78
Value: \$28,300.00 Year: 2017	Account: 16-04440	Bill#: 56825	
Release portion of value. SHB Billed at LU	J value. Release Yam City (28.30) re	elease	
Columbus Rescue(5.66) Property Value		Amount:	\$151.34
Cox, Kyle A	PROPERTY: 97510	Total:	\$173.90
Value: \$18,800.00 Year: 2017	Account: 16-04440	Bill#: 56824	Ψ175.50
Release portion of value. SHB Billed at LU	J value. Release Yam City (18.80) re	elease	
Columbus Rescue(3.76)			
Property Value		Amount:	\$6.54
Ezzell, Jerry Lynn Value: \$813.00 Year: 2017	PROPERTY: 00000 Account: 02-00337	Total: Bill#: 60422	\$7.37
Release value of boat. Not completely dele			
Rescue(.16) release late list(.67)		,	
Property Value		Amount:	\$280.70
Fowler, Dustin Kyle	PROPERTY: 88969	Total:	\$308.60
Value: \$34,870.00 Year: 2017	Account: 09-02333	Bill#: 61788	
Release portion of property value. Should release Columbus Rescue(6.98)	be \$12,930. Release williams Fire(2	20.92)	
Property Value		Amount:	\$304.29
Gold Leaf Investments, LLC	PROPERTY: 11888	Total:	\$311.85
Value: \$37,800.00 Year: 2017	Account: 06-00564	Bill#: 63780	
Release portion of value. SHB billed at LU	J value. Release Columbus Rescue(7	· ·	Ф2.50. O2
Property Value		Amount:	\$359.03
Gold Leaf Investments, LLC	PROPERTY: 98516	Total:	\$412.55
Value: \$44,600.00 Year: 2017 Release portion of value. SHB biilled at LU	Account: 06-00564	Bill#: 63779	
Columbus Rescue(8.92)	o value. Release 1 am City(44.00) is	cicasc	
Property Value		Amount:	\$45.28
Iron Hill Nursery	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$54.77
Value: \$5,625.00 Year: 2017	Account: 09-02329	Bill#: 69806	
Release value of business equipment. Clos		e(3.38)	
release Columbus Rescue(1.13) release late Property Value	t 118t(4.98)	Amount:	\$362.25
Lewis, William M & Jolene	PROPERTY: 3140	Total:	\$407.25
Value: \$111,600.00 Year: 2017	Account: 01-53160	Bill#: 73760	Ψ 10 / .ΔJ
Release portion of value. Should have gott	1		
Whiteville(36.00) release Whiteville Rescu	ue(9.00)		

Property Value Livingston Beatrice			PROPERTY		Amount: Total:	\$42.14 \$419.51
Value: \$1,000.00 Release value of property Rescue(1.04) release late			Account: House is not	10-02443 t liveable. Release Colu		9999
Property Value		,			Amount:	\$26.64
Long, Samuel Jonathan Value: \$3,309.00	Year:	2017	PROPERTY Account:	: 74427 11-04215	Total: Bill#: 74	\$32.22 4427
Release value of boat. No release Columbus Rescue	_	•	•	. Release Hallsboro Fir	` ′	
Property Value Norton, Rex			PROPERTY	. 70200	Amount: Total:	\$235.05 \$2,241.40
	Year:	08-17	Account:	13-31437		9999
Release value Sold in 200 Rescue(6.46) release Wat						
Property Value	`	,		,	Amount:	\$547.17
Powell, Lin Value: \$7,500.00	Year:	08-17	PROPERTY Account:	: 2741 01-71863	Total: Bill#: 99	\$560.67 9999
Release value sold at tax s						
Property Value					Amount:	\$33.81
Reo Solutions, Inc. Value: \$4,200.00	Year:	2015	PROPERTY Account:	: 18204 10-05638	Total: Bill#: 53	\$34.65 3541
Release value. Sold at tax					DIII#: 3.	3341
Property Value					Amount:	\$8.86
Sellers, Charles Patrick	Vaam	2017	PROPERTY	: 00000 13-04047	Total: Bill#: 8:	\$10.84 5702
Value: \$1,100.00 Release value of boat. Wa	Year: asn't co		Account: eleted out the			3702
Fire(.77) release Columbu	us Rescu	ue(.22) rele	ase late list(.9	99)		Φ
Property Value Stephens, Mitchell E & M	Mary.		PROPERTY	• 00000	Amount: Total:	\$6.52 \$7.98
•	Year:	2017	Account:	01-89540		9765
Release value of boat. Lis			Co. Release K	Klondyke Fire(.57) relea	ase	
Columbus Rescue(.16) re Property Value	iease ia	te list(./3)			Amount:	\$40.26
Yates, Mattie c\o Robert	Yates		PROPERTY	: 00000	Total:	\$41.26
. ,	Year:	2015 Prom	Account:	10-19380		9999
Release value. Sold at tax Rescue(1.00)	sale in	2013. Prop	erty#61931&	to1941. Release Colum	lbus	
Property Value					Amount:	\$203.67
Yates, Robert Value: \$25,300.00	Year:	2015	PROPERTY Account:	: 18455 10-19404	Total: Bill#: 6'	\$208.73 7037
Release value. Sold at tax					DIII#. 0	7037
Refunds					Amount:	\$0.00
Alpha L. Formyduval Tru		2015	PROPERTY		Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Refund user fee.	Year:	2017	Account:	03-01746	Bill#: 4	7898
Refunds					Amount:	\$0.00
Cox, Howard Lofton Sr			PROPERTY		Total:	\$16.92
Value: \$0.00 Refund portion of user fee	Year: e.	2017	Account:	07-02700	Bill#: 50	6766
Refunds					Amount:	\$0.00
Heavener, Vickie	3 7	2017	PROPERTY		Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Refund user fee. House is	Year: vacant	2017	Account:	15-01948	Bill#: 6	7382
Refunds					Amount:	\$0.00
Owens, Lisa Renee			PROPERTY		Total:	\$411.00
Value: \$0.00 Refund user fees.	Year:	16-17	Account:	05-02742	Bill#: 99	9999
Refunds					Amount:	\$0.00
Rodriguez, Everardo Torr		•	PROPERTY		Total:	\$116.00
Value: \$0.00	Year:	2017	Account:	10-03643	Bill#: 84	4437

Refund user fee. D/W is vacant.			
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Andrews, Barry Lee & Teresa Lewis	PROPERTY: 92450	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 11-03028	Bill#: 48071	
Release user fee. Storage bldg doesn't have	e a can.	Amount:	\$0.00
User Fee Bailey, John G. & Barbara	PROPERTY: 81910	Total:	\$406.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 03-05517	Bill#: 48526	ψ+00.00
Release user fee. Bldgs vacant.			
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Barnes, James (Dec) & Donna	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. S/W vacant.	Account: 09-00361	Bill#: 49028	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Barron, Lisa	PROPERTY: 6468	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 03-04049	Bill#: 49307	
Release user fee. House is vacant.		Amount:	\$0.00
User Fee Benton, Lloyd W	PROPERTY: 15340	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 09-01280	Bill#: 50261	\$205.00
Release user fee. Vacant.			
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Best, Hubert L. (Jr) & Crystal	PROPERTY: 20636	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	Account: 12-03341	Bill#: 50422	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Best, Hubert Lee (Jr)	PROPERTY: 22186	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 12-02032	Bill#: 50423	4
Release user fee. Vacant.			
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Bowen, Elton J & Carolyn S	PROPERTY: 513	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	Account: 01-06183	Bill#: 51407	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Bradley, Ramona	PROPERTY: 75773	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 14-02375	Bill#: 51647	
Release user fee. House vacant.		A	\$0.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Bright, James Allen Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	PROPERTY: 20211 Account: 11-03820	Total: Bill#: 51810	\$203.00
Release user fee. Vacant.	71-03020	BIII#. 31010	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Bullard, Paul Levon	PROPERTY: 17434	Total:	\$116.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 10-01760	Bill#: 53124	
Release user fee. Vacant.		Amount:	\$0.00
User Fee Burns, W O (Heirs)	PROPERTY: 27869	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 15-07980	Bill#: 53430	\$203.00
Release user fee. House is vacant.			
User Fee	DDODERTY AGES	Amount:	\$0.00
Caines, Carl Howard Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	PROPERTY: 23751 Account: 13-06280	Total: Bill#: 53917	\$203.00
Release user fee. Has commercial hauler.	100000000	2mii. 33717	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Caines, Charles & Iris	PROPERTY: 23752	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	Account: 13-06300	Bill#: 53921	
Release user fee. Commercial Hauler		Amount:	\$0.00
User Fee			Ψ0.00

Caines, Charles Kenneth & Iris Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Commercial hauler.	PROPERTY: 96152 Account: 13-03374	Total: Bill#: 53926	\$203.00
User Fee Caines, Hazel (Heirs) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	PROPERTY: 23758 Account: 13-06400	Amount: Total: Bill#: 53947	\$0.00 \$203.00
Release user fee. Has commercial hauler. User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Campbell, Willimenia & Emeka Butler Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 25499 Account: 13-02035	Total: Bill#: 54232	\$116.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Cartret Jeff & Geraldine Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 75347 Account: 09-03556	Total: Bill#: 54750	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Clark, Gary Dale Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release portion of user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 6575 Account: 03-02960	Total: Bill#: 55516	\$161.36
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Clemmons, Joseph W. Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 20095 Account: 11-01828	Total: Bill#: 55614	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Connor, Tina Jean Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fees. Discovery Run.	PROPERTY: 00000 Account: 09-02405	Total: Bill#: 99999	\$847.00
User Fee Cox. Phillip Condo Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.	PROPERTY: 12807 Account: 07-2883	Amount: Total: Bill#: 56865	\$0.00 \$406.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Dew, Larry G & Celia B Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Shop vacant.	PROPERTY: 87456 Account: 01-04054	Total: Bill#: 58274	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Elkins, Wanda Brown Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 26299 Account: 14-04900	Total: Bill#: 59737	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Foley, Jenna Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Didn't have can for 2017	PROPERTY: 98528 Account: 10-04338	Total: Bill#: 61458	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Gore, Jerry L Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.	PROPERTY: 13064 Account: 07-06400	Total: Bill#: 64204	\$406.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Graham, Macey Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 83907 Account: 13-00916	Total: Bill#: 64921	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Hammond, Elbert Dane (ETAL) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Incomplete.	PROPERTY: 78863 Account: 16-07063	Total: Bill#: 66153	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Henry O Milligan revocable Trust Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 77494 Account: 07-03623	Total: Bill#: 67589	\$203.00

User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Hinson, Nancy J Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 24567 Account: 13-19345	Total: Bill#: 68537	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Inman, Neil Craig Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 2703 Account: 01-46058	Total: Bill#: 69745	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Laforte, Laurie Kendrick & Edna Value: \$0.00 Year: 12-17 Release user fees. Sold at tax sale in 2015.	PROPERTY: 27308 Account: 14-04157	Total: Bill#: 99999	\$1,027.71
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Lawrence, James Edward III Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 339 Account: 01-02378	Total: Bill#: 72911	\$116.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Lawrence, James Edward III Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 5409 Account: 01-51432	Total: Bill#: 72913	\$116.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Lee, Ronnie D	PROPERTY: 5901	Total:	\$116.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	Account: 01-07503	Bill#: 73134	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
	PROPERTY: 10382	Total:	\$406.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	Account: 06-04112	Bill#: 73764	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Long, Elizabeth H & Dianne H Horne Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 7109 Account: 03-00204	Total: Bill#: 74172	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Long, Steve A. & Renee Lovett Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 94380 Account: 07-01907	Total: Bill#: 74436	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Long, Darrell Laverne Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House not liveable.	PROPERTY: 13371 Account: 07-10378	Total: Bill#: 74129	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Marsha Milligan Trust	PROPERTY: 11700	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	Account: 06-03909	Bill#: 75295	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
MCDaniel, Sandra	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. S/W vacant.	Account: 03-00337	Bill#: 75979	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
MCDowell, Ronald & Rebecca Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 16303 Account: 09-17700	Total: Bill#: 76063	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Mills, Michael H. Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 14708 Account: 08-12580	Total: Bill#: 77868	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Mitchell, James R & Roberta Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017	PROPERTY: 14888 Account: 08-12800	Total: Bill#: 78078	\$116.00

Release user fee. Vacant.			
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Moss, James O (Jr) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fees	PROPERTY: 26891 Account: 14-00113	Total: Bill#: 78745	\$406.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Patterson, Peggy L. Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 24997 Account: 13-32043	Total: Bill#: 81022	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Pierce & Co. Inc. Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee has a commercial hauler	PROPERTY: 19793 Account: 11-19320	Total: Bill#: 81490	\$406.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Pierce, James E Jr & Betty Jo Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is torn down.	PROPERTY: 00000 Account: 08-14949	Total: Bill#: 81540	\$116.00
User Fee Pierce, James Edison(Jr) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 91768 Account: 08-02332	Amount: Total: Bill#: 81543	\$0.00 \$116.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Prevatte, Allen Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House vacant.	PROPERTY: 20711 Account: 12-22425	Total: Bill#: 82491	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Renfrow, Larry Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 93613 Account: 11-04662	Total: Bill#: 83903	\$198.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Sarvis, Danny Richard & Coleman Paul Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 16712 Account: 09-03625	Total: Bill#: 85196	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Sellers, Melissa Jean (ETALS) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 10649 Account: 06-05958	Total: Bill#: 85822	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Shaw, Elijah S (Heirs) Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 27016 Account: 14-13460	Total: Bill#: 86090	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Smith, Lauretta C Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. House is vacant.	PROPERTY: 11947 Account: 06-01564	Total: Bill#: 87798	\$203.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Soles, Lorena Jordan Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 24172 Account: 13-00346	Total: Bill#: 88313	\$0.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Spaulding, John Henry(Heirs) Value: \$0.00 Year: 16-17 Release user fees. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 27168 Account: 14-15600	Total: Bill#: 99999	\$411.00
User Fee Stephens Lorie	DDODERTY, 75/04	Amount: Total:	\$0.00 \$203.00
Stephens, Lorie Value: \$0.00 Year: 2017 Release user fee. Vacant.	PROPERTY: 75694 Account: 06-36530	Bill#: 89731	·
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Tyson, Kelton & Gladys	PROPERTY: 5663	Total:	\$406.00

Value: \$0.00 Release user fees. Both h	Year: 2017 nouses are vacant.	Account:	01-97761	Bill#: 9999	99
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Tyson, Rebecca Harris & Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. Vacant	Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:	7: 75337 09-05648	Total: Bill#: 927	\$203.00 94
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Watts, Cammie Cross Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. Floode	Year: 2017 ed during Matthew	PROPERTY Account:	7: 23941 13-42863	Total: Bill#: 947	\$203.00 41
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Williams, Gregory Value: \$0.00 Release user fees. House	Year: 16-17	PROPERTY Account:	': 00000 12-29188	Total: Bill#: 9999	\$411.00 99
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Williams, Marian Wells Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. House	Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:	7: 18423 10-18560	Total: Bill#: 961	\$116.00 22
User Fee	15 (400110)			Amount:	\$0.00
Williams, Myrtie McPhe Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. Vacant	Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:	7: 17246 09-01735	Total: Bill#: 961	\$203.00 52
User Fee	•			Amount:	\$0.00
Williams, Regina Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. House	Year: 2017 vacant.	PROPERTY Account:	7: 00000 12-04425	Total: Bill#: 961	\$203.00 79
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Williams, Shelton W (E7 Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. House	Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:	7: 23105 12-04951	Total: Bill#: 962	\$203.00 32
User Fee Willoughby, Colby Chas	e Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:		Amount: Total: Bill#: 967	\$0.00 \$203.00 84
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Willoughby, Larry G. & Value: \$0.00 Release user fees. Vacant	Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:	7: 23318 12-03336	Total: Bill#: 967	\$406.00 92
User Fee				Amount:	\$0.00
Worley, Moody Bardin II Value: \$0.00 Release user fee. House	Year: 2017	PROPERTY Account:	7: 30864 16-18264	Total: Bill#: 972	\$203.00 72

Agenda Item #20: <u>COMMENTS</u>:

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

A. **Department Managers:**

- 1. **Gary Lanier, Economic Development/Planning Director:** stated you did not have a draft copy of the Firing Range Ordinance because the Planning Board was not satisfied with the draft copy.
- 2. **Kay Worley, Emergency Services Director:** stated the last weather report I received states we will only receive less than one (1) inch of snow.

B. **Board of Commissioners:**

- 1. **Commissioner Byrd:** stated the following:
 - -Chandler Mitchell would like to purchase a small strip of land in the corner of the landfill to put a shop;

- -The road side ditches are retaining water most of the time, and this is continually damaging the paved roadways; **and**
- -If you travel in mid-west, you do not see trash along the highways, and we need to use the practice they are using to eliminate the trash along our roadways.

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

- -We need to send a letter to Drew Cox relative to the trash along the highways and the water standing in the ditches;
- -I attended a meeting, on behalf of the Shriners, relative to sponsoring a child, and I would like to challenge the other Board members to participate;
- -Lake Waccamaw Fire Department could have received a fire rating of 3 if the Buckhead and Saint James Fire Departments were assisting with mutual aid, and I encourage all fire departments to work on getting their fire ratings down; **and**
- -I received a letter from Brendon Jones relative to seeking funds for the Historic Courthouse, and the letter stated that schools were more important, and he would search for funds for the Historic Courthouse in 2019.

3. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:

- -County Manager, what is the status of the Ad Hoc Committee for the schools? Mr. Stephens replied stating the following:
- A. I have received a list from Alan Faulk, Superintendent of Columbus County Schools;
- B. The members appointed are Randy Coleman, Monte Herring and Barbara Yates Lockamy;
- C. I have not received a list from the Whiteville City Schools Board of Education.

Kenny Garland, Superintendent of Whiteville City Schools, stated they would have a list by next Monday; and

-After you receive this information from Kenny Garland, please set up a meeting date for the Ad Hoc Committee.

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

- -On the Ad Hoc Committee, I want to encourage them to adhere to what Representative Jones and Senator Britt said about letting the General Assembly act first on the allotments to the schools; **and**
- -I received a letter from my insurance company about rates increasing, and my insurance premium has doubled, and we need the fire departments to do what is necessary to get our insurance rate lowered.
- 5. **Vice Chairman Burroughs:** stated I would like to thank our County Manager / Attorney for working with Cape Fear Council of Governments last week.

6. **Chairman McKenzie:** stated the following:

- -Judge Ola Lewis is doing good;
- -We need to come up with ideas about what we can do to keep our roadsides cleaned up; and
- -Robert Adams called and stated he could not be here tonight.

C. County Manager / County Attorney (Michael H. Stephens): stated the following:

- -I have been in communication with Paul Bonsall, our Architect, and we started on the Historic Courthouse, pursuant to his agreement and contract, there is no movement in that direction, he had the option to terminate the contract, and I agreed to do that with him because he has given us our seven (7) days notice, and it would terminate tonight, at midnight, which he is out of it;
- -He said he would be glad, at some point, if we wanted to resurrect that Courthouse Project, he would be glad to work with us;
- -We are in a lawsuit with his firm and Group III;
- -The Lease with Whiteville City Schools, they have graciously extended that Lease until June 30, 2018;
- -I have received three (3) or four (4) attorney applications, and please let's start scheduling some interviews, at your convenience; **and**
- -I want to publicly express our appreciation to Whiteville City Schools, during the last weather event how they stepped up to help.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (6) PERSONNEL:

At 9:17 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Closed Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a) (6) Personnel, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #21: CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(A) (6) PERSONNEL:

No action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION and resume REGULAR SESSION:

At 10:01 P.M., Commissioner McDowell made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

READING and APPROVAL of CLOSED SESSION GENERAL ACCOUNT:

Chairman McKenzie requested that Michael H. Stephens, County Manager / Attorney, orally read the Closed Session General Account. Mr. Stephens orally read the following: "The County Manager / Attorney, discussed personnel issues with the Board of Commissioners".

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the Closed Session General Account, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #22: <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>:

At 10:02 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed. Minutes were recorded by Gail Edwards, Assistant to the Manager, and typed by June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board.

	APPROVED:	
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman	

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS <u>I</u>, II, III, IV AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Treadery James 16, 2019

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:49 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:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

Mike Stephens, County Manager
/ County Attorney
Gail Edwards, Assistant to Manager
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

APPOINTEE ABSENT:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:49 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie 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:

January 02, 2018 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 January 02, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:	
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman	

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, <u>II</u>, III, IV AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:49 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: Amon E. McKenzie, Chairman Trent Burroughs, Vice-Chairman James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard Charles T. McDowell APPOINTEE ABSENT: APPOINTEE ABSENT: June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:49 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie 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:

January 02, 2018 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 January 02, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:	
HINER HALL Clerk to Roard	AMON F McKFNZIF Chairman	

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, <u>III</u>, IV AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Tuesday, January 16, 2018

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:49 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:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, Chairman Trent Burroughs, Vice-Chairman James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard Charles T. McDowell Mike Stephens, County Manager
/ County Attorney
Gail Edwards, Assistant to Manager
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

APPOINTEE ABSENT:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:49 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie 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:

January 02, 2018 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 January 02, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:	
HINE R HALL Clerk to Roard	AMON F McKENZIE Chairman	

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, <u>IV</u> AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:49 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: Amon E. McKenzie, Chairman Trent Burroughs, Vice-Chairman James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard Charles T. McDowell APPOINTEES PRESENT: Mike Stephens, County Manager / County Attorney Gail Edwards, Assistant to Manager Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer APPOINTEE ABSENT: June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:49 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie 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:

January 02, 2018 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 January 02, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:	
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman	

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V

COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Tuesday, January 16, 2018 8:49 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:

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

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Mike Stephens, County Manager
/ County Attorney
Gail Edwards, Assistant to Manager
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

APPOINTEE ABSENT:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:49 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie 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:

January 02, 2018 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 January 02, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:	
HINER HALL Clerk to Roard	AMON F McKFNZIF Chairman	