

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BULK WATER RATE STUDY WORKSHOP**

Monday, June 04, 2018

6:00 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 Bulk Water Rate Study Workshop.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman** (Arrived: 6:13 P.M.)
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
P. Edwin Russ
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

WORKSHOP CALLED to ORDER:

At 6:00 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie called the Bulk Water Rate Study Workshop to order.

BULK WATER RATE STUDY INFORMATION:

Leo Green, Green Engineering, stated the following:

1. We completed a Bulk Rate Evaluation Study and presented it to your Water Advisory Committee;
2. The information that has been distributed to you are excerpts out of that study;
3. Keeping in mind, this study follows the directive of your long-range financial plan of your Water Department, and that is to set a rate for all of our customers that will meet your expenses;
4. Please review the following information -

**GENERAL INFORMATION
BULK WATER RATE CALCULATION
COLUMBUS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES**

-Present Annual Debt Service	\$1,316,166.00
-Present Annual O&M	\$1,565,725.00
-Annual Water Consumption (All Users)	260,106,710 gallons

Budget Component	Annual Distribution O&M \$	Annual Debt \$	Well Annual O&M \$	Annual Water Sales Gallons	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons \$
Distribution O&M	1,166,925			260,106,710	4.49
Well Production			3,698,800	260,106,710	1.53
Debt Service		1,316,166		260,106,710	5.06
Distribution/Well					\$6.02
Total All Expenses:					\$11.08

5. Listed below is the Present / Proposed Rate Schedules.

I. Present Rate Schedule (2017)

A. Base Rates / Availability

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3/4 - 1 ½ inch	\$24.00
2 inch	\$48.00
3 inch	\$71.00
4 inch	\$95.00
6 inch	\$143.00
8 inch	\$189.00

B. Commodity

Flat rate for availability with no water allocation	\$24.00
0-2999 gallons	\$3.70/1,000
3000-4999	\$3.80/1,000
5000 - 20,999 gallons	\$4.00/1,000
21,000 - 49,999 gallons	\$5.75/1,000
All over 50,000 gallons	\$6.75/1,000

II. Proposed Rate Schedule (2018/2019)**A. Base Rates / Availability**

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3/4 inch	\$24.00
1 inch	\$24.00
1.5 inch	\$36.00
2 inch	\$48.00
3 inch	\$71.00
4 inch	\$95.00
6 inch	\$143.00
8 inch	\$189.00

B. Commodity

0-2,999 gallons	\$3.80/1,000
3,000-4,999	\$4.00/1,000
5,000 - 20,999 gallons	\$4.25/1,000
21,000 - 49,999 gallons	\$6.00/1,000
All over 50,000 gallons (including bulk)	\$7.00/1,000

6. You have some towns that are interested in buying water from the County, and they are Sandyfield, Cerro Gordo and Riegelwood; **and**
7. Fifteen (15%) percent is the acceptable amount of water loss in operation of a water system.

WORKSHOP CLOSED:

At 6:24 P.M., Chairman McKenzie stated the Bulk Water Rate Study Workshop was closed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**Monday, June 04, 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 first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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6:30 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING: **COLUMBUS COUNTY PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET -**
the purpose of the hearing is for any person who wishes to be heard
on the proposed Budget may appear.

PUBLIC HEARING CALLED to ORDER:

At 6:33 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie called the Public Hearing to order, and stated the Public Hearing is for the Columbus County Proposed Operating Budget. The purpose of the Public Hearing is for any person who wishes to be heard on the proposed budget may speak either orally or written. Chairman McKenzie requested that Michael H. Stephens, County Manager/Attorney, orally read the Policy for Comments at Public Hearings. Mr. Stephens orally read the policy in its entirety. The following spoke.

Michael H. Stephens, County Manager/Attorney: stated the following:

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

TO: Amon E. McKenzie, Chairman
Columbus County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Michael H. Stephens
Columbus County Manager

DATE: May 21, 2018

RE: **Columbus County Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget Message**

Overview

The Proposed Budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 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:

2018-2019 General Fund	2017-2018 General Fund	Increase Dollars	%
\$56,935,492	\$58,513,472	(\$1,577,980)	(1.03)
2018-2019 Total Budget	2017-2018 Total Budget	Increase Dollars	%
\$72,812,232	\$74,026,261	(\$1,214,029)	(1.02)

Employee Salary and Wage Adjustments

All employees will receive a 3.5% COLA adjustment. The wage adjustments will be effective July 1, 2018.

Local Governmental Employees Retirement System

The employer contribution to the Local Governmental Employees Retirement System for our Law Enforcement Officers will be 8.50%, which is an increase from the prior fiscal year of .25 %. Local employees' rates will be 7.85%, which is an increase of .25% from the prior fiscal year.

Health Insurance

The insurance carrier for county employees will continue to be the State Health Plan. Rates are estimated to increase by 5% for the last six months of the fiscal year. As you know, the State Health Plan will not cover our 38 pre-65 retirees. Costs for their insurance premiums have increased 5% to \$878,973. The average premium is now \$1,927.57 per month for a pre-65 retiree.

General Insurance

General Liability, Property and Workers Compensation insurance premiums decreased by 2.5%, for a reduction in cost of \$22,020.

Enterprise Funds

Solid Waste User Fees:

The proposed rate is decreased by \$3.00.

A) County Residents \$200.00/year

B) Municipal Residents \$113.00/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, \$3.80/1000 gallons from 0 to 2,999 gallons; \$4.00/1000 gallons from 3,000 to 4,999 gallons; \$4.25/1000 gallons from 5,000 to 20,999 gallons; \$6.00/1000 gallons from 21,000 to 49,999 and \$7.00/1000 gallons for 50,000 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:

\$92,665 - CWDs Indirect Costs	\$ 89,937 - WD II Debt Repayment
\$18,897 - Transportation Administrative Costs	\$76,230 - WD III Debt Repayment
\$47,400 - Solid Waste Indirect Costs	\$16,623 - HUD Indirect Cost

The transferred amount of \$341,752 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 3%.

Capital Outlay

Capital and non-capital outlay includes purchases of ten vehicles plus equipment for the Sheriff's Office, replacement of showers in the Detention Center, 170 new computer monitors for the Department of Social Services, and a van for Parks and Recreation. Also budgeted is a new dental van and a car for the Health Department, remodeling of the old mental health hall, 3 HVAC replacements for DSS, Administration and the Miller building, one truck for the Maintenance Department, a GPS system for the Fleet cars in the Central Garage budget, and five vans and equipment for Transportation. The Public Utilities budget includes two regular trucks and Solid Waste's budget includes capital outlay purchases of an excavator, roof repairs, concrete repairs, a roll off truck and two roll off containers. Also included is the second of 3 disbursements of \$125,000 for the Fire Training Facility which was previously approved by the Board. There is a total of \$2,359,654 in capital and non-capital outlay costs of which \$1,679,896 will come from the general fund balance.

Conclusion

Staff has worked hard to recommend a balanced budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 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/ Michael H. Stephens,
Columbus County Manager

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:

At 6:47 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**6:47 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION**

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

At 6:47 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie called the June 04, 2018 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Chairman Amon E. McKenzie. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Commissioner Charles T. McDowell.

Agenda Item #4: RETIREMENT PLAQUE:

The following retirement plaque was presented to Betty C. McKeithan for her many years of service to the Columbus County HUD Department.

PRESENTED TO

BETTY C. McKEITHAN

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION

***FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LOYALTY
TO
COLUMBUS COUNTY HUD DEPARTMENT***

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COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Agenda Item #5: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the May 21, 2018 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #6: PUBLIC INPUT:

Chairman McKenzie opened the floor for Public Input. The following spoke.

1. **James Donald Bowen, 1266 Midway Road, Whiteville, NC 28472:** stated the following:
 - I have lived here all my life, and I am representing my mother who is 90 years old;
 - We are here about the zoning change which is trying to get the asphalt plant in, and she owns the land right beside this location;
 - At the last zoning meeting, Gary actually brought it up and nobody knew anything about it, and Dial Gray actually stated he did not want to change, he didn't want to sell the land, and they could take it to Georgia Pacific which is appropriately zoned for this;
 - I found out today that it was on the Agenda to be presented here, and this will be about the fourth time that we have tried to see something about it, and being told different information by different people; **and**
 - My mother is against this.
2. **Linda B. Jablonowsk, 2608 Pine Log Road:** stated the following:
 - I am here tonight to find some clarification as to why Number 12 is on your Agenda;

- We were told it would go through the Planning Committee, and at the last meeting, we ended up with a split vote, 3 to 3, and there were two (2) people that did not vote;
- I was not allowed to vote; **and**
- I would like to know why we were not made aware that they were going to have a public hearing, and that is my concern.

Gary Lanier, Planning Director: replied stating the following:

- In accordance with the North Carolina General Statutes, the Planning Department is given thirty (30) days to make a determination as to whether or not a map amendment is in compliance with the Columbus County Land Use Plan;
- The first time this matter was presented to the Planning Department, there was a large number of general public in attendance, and a decision could not be reached, and it was tabled until the July meeting;
- The landowner involved and the company deserve a decision to be made;
- The second time this matter was presented to the Planning Board, a decision could not be made and that was a total of thirty-two (32) days;
- After thirty (30) days, the deciding body is the Board of Commissioners;
- After the decision has been made, the business can move forward; **and**
- At this point of time, the Planning Department has no choice.

3. **Franklin Henry Thurman, 125 Maultsby Drive, Whiteville, NC 28472:** stated the following:

- I am the Chairman of the Columbus County Planning Board;
- We were ill advised on making these decisions, even on Mehalic Brothers, and that is why we are having problems, we are not getting good advice;
- This is a backdoor way of putting an asphalt plant in the community, and that is wrong;
- Mr. Nichols was under the advisement that he had to vote for the motion, and he told me that he was against it;
- This is like a trick being played on the Board, and this is not right;
- Always keep the community in mind; **and**
- Ms. Jablonowsk was told that she could not vote due to conflict of interest, and she could have broke the tied vote.

4. **Tally Bowen:** stated the following:

- The last Planning Board Meeting was a three (3) hours meeting, and Mr. Gray shook my hand after the meeting and stated to let them put it at the Georgia Pacific site, and it keeps coming back up;
- It appears there is a war on getting the zoning change;
- At the Planning Board Meetings, when the votes are being done, Mr. Lanier corrects everyone on the way they choose to vote, and steers them in his direction to vote; **and**
- Thank you for your time.

5. **Harold F. Buchanan, 155 Onslow Road:** stated the following:

- I have returned on the methyl bromide;
- I would like to thank you for starting the process over again;
- This stuff is bad for our community, our health, our children and our residents;
- Let's put our children first; **and**
- Thank you for your consideration.

Agenda Item #7: PRESENTATION - SOLAR ENERGY:

Dean Britt, Field Consultant for GESS International stated the following:

1. Good evening ladies and gentlemen. My name is Dean Britt;
2. I would like to thank the Board members for having us and everyone for taking the time to be here tonight;
3. I am a field consultant for GESS International, which stands for Green Energy Sustainable Solutions;
4. My job is to locate potential sites for biogas plants within North and South Carolina and I provide a connection between GESS International and farmers;
5. GESS International is a company on the cutting edge of biogas technology, and with that being said, I would like to introduce the Director of Field Operations - Shawn Lee.

Shawn Lee, Director of Field Operations, stated the following:

1. Since 1997, our company has designed, installed and implemented green energy projects;

2. In the last 3-4 years, our goal has been not to use carbon-based fuels, but to create renewable energy gas, like biogas;
3. In North Carolina, there are 2,300 hog farms;
4. At the time, we are working with WB Farms which has 18,000 hogs that is in the southwest corner of the County at 602 Old Stake Road in Clarendon;
5. This location is out in the rural county, and the biogas plant will take the hog manure out of the lagoons and process it for fertilizer and will process the methane into clean gas, and that clean gas will then be purchased by Duke Energy or other gas takers in North Carolina;
6. That gas will then be deposited into the gas line and then produce clean electricity based on the use of that gas;
7. The benefits of that is it will reduce the waste in the lagoons, it will reduce the smell and odor of the site, and additionally, it will stop any harmful material getting to the water table;
8. It is set up by RPS (Renewable Portfolio Standards) for North Carolina;
9. Duke Energy and others are required to purchase this gas starting in 2021;
10. This law was passed in 2007, and since then, there have only been one (1) biogas plant turned on and that has been in the last sixty (60) days in North Carolina;
11. This should be the future of North Carolina, utilizing its hog waste in a positive way;
12. Additionally, it creates approximately four to six (4-6) jobs at the biogas plant, and it creates trucking jobs;
13. The bio-gas plant will utilize six thousand (6,000) acres of row crop material so that they can be purchased at a premium amount for the area farmers, and these farmers can have up to a twenty (20) years contract for the project;
14. The routes of the trucks will be pre-planned and presented to the Commission at the appropriate time;
15. The process that we are using has been used on one hundred sixty (160) plants worldwide and have been successful;
16. The plan itself will be insured by Triple AAA, and all applicable insurance that is needed;
17. The vehicles will be cleaned and sanitized as they enter and exit;
18. The plan is safe, the hogs are safe, and the community is safe;
19. We are working with the State of North Carolina on environmental standards relative to air, water and quality, as well as the County officials;
20. Overall, we are working closely with all pertinent personnel that is involved; **and**
21. We have done this before, and we are looking forward to working with you in the next thirty (30) days.

Additional Information:

1. We can utilize chicken manure also;
2. We can buy foliage from the surrounding farmers;
3. It reduces the waste, the smell and farm products;
4. This will be on a 450 acre tract farm out in the county;
5. The farmer can maximize with three (3) crops per year;
6. The plant will take ten (10) acres and the other acreage will be for storage or material that is needed;
7. We want your support and cooperation;
8. There will be Tax Dollars of \$30 million and Revenue Stream of \$14 million;
9. We are working on the optimum amount of materials that we can get; **and**
10. We are determining, at this point, if we have a solid project to progress with.

Agenda Item #8: COLUMBUS COUNTY HOMEBUILDERS ASSOCIATION - BUILDING INSPECTIONS: Commissioner Ricky Bullard is requesting a representative from Columbus County Homebuilders Association address the Board relative to the Building Inspections Department.

This Agenda item will be postponed until the June 18, 2018 Board Meeting;

Agenda Item #9: PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - MANAGEMENT CHOICE for TRANSIT SYSTEM:

Joy Jacobs, Director of Public Transportation, requested Board approval of the choice of First Transit as CCT's provider.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve First Transit as Columbus County Transportation's provider, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #10: PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION -CONTRACT with FIRST TRANSIT as CCT'S PROVIDER:

Joy Jacobs, Director of Public Transportation, requested Board approval of the Management Contract with First Transit as Columbus County Transportation's provider.

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the Management Contract with First Transit as Columbus County Transportation's provider, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this contract will be marked as Exhibit "A", and kept in the Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 6, in the Office of the Clerk to the Board, and in the Public Transportation Office, for review.

Agenda Item #11: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Gary Lanier, Economic Development Director, delivered the following departmental update.

Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Industrial

Project Start	Incentive Grant	Project/ Company	Investment Committed	*Actual Investment	New Jobs Committed	*New Jobs Created	Comments
2012	Yes	West Fraser (Phase II)	\$15,500,000	\$13,215,940	0	0	100+ outside logging jobs expected to be created
2012	Yes	Direct Market Access	\$823,000	\$1,293,935	5	32	Expansion to new building (Former Penn Vent. Bldg.)
2012	Yes	MaxPro Manufacturing	\$5,180,000	\$8,500,000	26	30	
2012	Yes	Top Tobacco (exp. #3)	\$7,500,000	\$5,735,774	5	12	
2013	Yes	West Fraser (phase III)	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	6	6	Continuous Flow Kiln Project
2013	No	Wilmington Shipping	\$400,000	\$400,000	5	5	Distribution Center for Tobacco
2013	Yes	Ply Gem Industries (Kroy)	\$5,000,000	\$4,500,000	127	97	\$25,000 one-time county incentive grant; jobs have been added slowly as process is refined
2013	No	Toad Campers	\$100,000	\$100,000	30	4	Toad now converted to a repair only shop
2013	Yes	National Spinning	\$686,776	\$686,776	6	6	
2014	Yes	National Spinning	\$342,195	\$342,195	9	9	
2014	Yes	Black's Tire	\$1,000,000	\$1,823,715	8	27	
2014	Yes	Filtec Precise	\$1,445,000	\$3,680,735	15	15	Construction complete - installing equipment
2015	Yes	Shodja Textiles	\$1,250,000	\$1,300,000	15	12	Conflandey Bldg + Sprinklers + New Equip
2015	Yes	R J Corman Railroad	\$13,800,000	\$13,800,000	25	15	\$1.8 MM in Incentives from Columbus County

2015	Yes	International Paper Co.	\$160,000,000	\$160,242,560	0	0	Major Competitive Expansion - 2 nd Fluff Line
2016	No	RaydixBay	\$50,000	\$40,000	25	5	Rural Computer Support Center
2016	No	Gann Memorials	\$50,000	\$10,000	50	12	Plush Toy Manufacturer
2016	No	S & A Railroad Ties	\$500,000	On Hold	30	1	Recycler of Railroad Ties and Power Poles
2017	No	DMA Expansion #3	\$960,000	\$960,000	13	15	Grant to Tabor City Approved for Water Line extension for sprinkler system. Total Employment at 53 by end of Q1 of 2018
2018	No	GP Site Sale to Corman	\$2,150,000	\$2,150,000	TBD	TBD	
2018	TBD	Tortimex Restart	\$2,000,000		25		Project on hold - negotiations stalled with investors
2018	No	Project Chess	\$3,500,000		33		Sale of Nadico Building in process under a lease to buy agreement. Building Reuse Grant has been submitted by EDC office in support of project for \$264,000. Building upfits expected to cost \$938,043
TOTAL:			\$230,236,971	\$226,781,630	458	303	

*To Date

Avg. New Jobs per year = 60.6 through 2017 ##

New tax revenue from economic development projects (226.8 x \$8050 per million) = \$1,825,740

- Does not include estimated 100 new jobs in the logging industry related to the West Fraser Projects or any new jobs associated with the retail establishments (Page 3)

If logging jobs related to West Fraser Expansion are included, the average jobs created per year increases to 80.6

Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Building Reuse & Restoration Rural Hope Grants

Applied	Awarded	Project/Company	Grant Amt Requested	Grant Amount Awarded	Jobs Committed	Comments
2012	2012	Project Cinema (MaxPro Manufacturing)	\$312,000	\$312,000	26	
2013	2013	Project Green (Ply Gem Industries)	\$194,504	\$194,504	127	145 jobs expected but only 127 committed for grant amt requested
2014	2014	Whiteville Fabrics	\$120,280	\$120,280	15	Building Reuse Grant for Fromer Flowline Bldg.
2016	2016	Radix Bay	\$65,500	\$65,500	25	Building Reuse Grant for upfits to Tabor City Incubator Building
2016	2016	Radix Bay	\$65,230	\$65,230	Same as above	Golden LEAF Grant for upfits to Tabor City Incubator

2017	2018	Sewer Grant for International Logistics Park	\$2,150,000	\$2,150,000	N/A	Grant Awarded by Rural Development Authority and NC Commerce Utility Fund Pending Preliminary Eng. Report and Final Full Application Submittal due in
2018		Project Chess - Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Processing	\$264,000	TBD	33	Grant Submitted - Awaiting Final Decision of Rural Development Division of NC Commerce
TOTAL:			\$3,171,514	\$2,907,514	226	

Total Grants obtained for local industry and Columbus County = \$2,907,514 + \$475,000 (see next page below = \$3,382,514
 Average Annual Grant \$\$\$s obtained for local industry and Columbus County = \$483,216

Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Other Grants

Applied	Awarded	Project/Company	Grant Amt Requested	Grant Amt Awarded	Jobs Committed	Comments
2012	2012	MaxPro Manufacturing	\$100,000	\$100,000	26	Grant through NCDOT to extend Industrial Blvd. Across Chadbourn Hwy.
2013	2013	Ply Gem (Kroy)	\$150,000	\$150,000	127	OneNC Grant 145 jobs expected but only 127 committed for grant amount requested
2013	2013	Ply Gem (Kroy)	\$25,000	\$25,000		
2014	2015	Carolina Southern Railroad Appraisal	\$200,000	\$200,000		Grant through Golden LEAF & NC DOT to pay for RR Appraisal
TOTAL:			\$475,000.00	\$475,000	153	

Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Restaurant & Retail Establishments

Project Start	Incentive Grant	Project/Company	Comments
2012	No	Roses	
2012	No	Big Lots	Expansion to new store
2012	No	Family Dollar - Tabor City	
2012	No	Subway - Whiteville North	
2013	No	Dollar Tree	Expansion to new store
2013	No	Papa John's	
2013	No	McDonalds's - Tabor City	
2013	No	Pet Sense	
2013	No	Panchitos Mexican Restaurant	
2013	No	Franco's NY Pizza	
2013	No	Southern Sisters/Country Boy Outfitters	Relocation to new store
2013	No	Byrdville Farm Market	
2013	No	Turner's Restaurant	

2013	No	Cititrends	
2013	No	Dollar General	Expansion to new store
2013	No	Jimmy's Seafood	Expansion (now Mark's Seafood)
2013	No	Nikki Couture Bridal & Formal Wear	
2014	No	Darryl's Bakery	
2014	No	Slugger's Deli	Conversion of former Taco Bell location
2015	No	Zaxbys	
2016	No	Dollar General - N. Whiteville Area	
2016	No	Bojangles - new store	
2017	No	Arbys	Relocation to former Bojangles store
2017	No	Burger King - N. Whiteville	
2017	No	Dollar General - Old Dock	
2017	No	Family Dollar - Cerro Gordo	Aided in site identification and land sale negotiations - Construction underway
2018	No	Dollar General - Williams	In negotiations / planning stage
2018	No	KFC - New Store	Construction of larger store planned - land acquired

Columbus County's current unemployment Rate is 5.5% (March 2018 Preliminary). North Carolina Rate is 4.5% for March 2018.

Agenda Item #12: PLANNING - ESTABLISH DATE AND TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

Gary Lanier, Planning Director, requested the Board to establish a date and time for a Public Hearing for a map amendment (re-zoning) to the Southeastern Community College Zoning Map.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to establish June 18, 2018, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for a Public Hearing for a map amendment (re-zoning) to the Southeastern Community College Zoning Map, seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

AMENDED MOTION:

After discussion was conducted relative to the supporting reason for the map amendment, Commissioner Bullard amended his motion to establish June 18, 2018, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for a Public Hearing for a map amendment (re-zoning) to the Southeastern Community College Zoning Map, contingent on Gary Lanier, Planning Director, to contact Dial Gray, owner of the parcel, and ask if he plans to continue with his petition, seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

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

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

The motion fails on a four (4) to three (3) vote.

Commissioner Bullard requested that Derrick Strickland, Superintendent of Barnhill Contracting, present information relative to the asphalt plant to be located on the said parcel. Mr. Strickland stated the following:

1. I live in Cherry Grove and work in Robeson County with Barnhill Contracting;
2. This plant will be a 2018-2019 plant, and not a 1967 model;
3. This plant will employ eight to ten (8-10) full-time employees, and approximately ten to twenty (10-20) trucking positions;
4. This area is sixteen (16) acres on the old Georgia Pacific Road
5. We will have a thirty (30') foot buffer;
6. Our release agent will be orange juice;
7. We will not be using chemicals, we will use natural gas, and the cost to run the gas line at this location is \$300,000;
8. The level of odor and noise with this plant is almost none in comparison to the previous plant; **and**
9. The price that R.J. Corman is requesting at the Georgia Pacific site for this acreage is much greater than Dial Gray.

Agenda Item #13: SPECIAL RECOGNITION - PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

Commissioner Ricky Bullard delivered the following special recognition to Julie Strickland for her accomplishments.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
present this
Certificate of Appreciation and Recognition**

**JULIE MICHELLE STRICKLAND
For Invaluable Service to the People of Columbus County.**

**Given at Whiteville, North Carolina,
this 3th day of June, 2018.**

James E. Prevatte, District II
Giles E. Byrd, District III
P. Edwin Russ, District IV
Ricky Bullard, District VI
Charles T. McDowell, District VII

/s/ Amon E. McKenzie, District I, Chairman
Trent Burroughs, District V, Vice Chairman
June B. Hall, Clerk to Board
Michael H. Stephens, County
Manager/Attorney

Agenda Item #14: RESOLUTION of SUPPORT for ATLANTIC TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION for the PROPOSED INCREASE of HIGH-SPEED INTERNET in COLUMBUS COUNTY:

Commissioner James Prevatte requested the Board to approve and adopt the following Resolution of Support for Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation for the Proposed Increase of High-Speed Internet in Columbus County.

**RESOLUTION of SUPPORT for
ATLANTIC TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION
for the PROPOSED INCREASE of HIGH-SPEED INTERNET
in COLUMBUS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the internet we have been provided by Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation has been advantageous to our citizens, businesses, schools and school children; **and**

WHEREAS, Columbus County has under served areas with no internet which has been crippling to our citizens, and especially school children with their homework based on internet service; **and**

WHEREAS, faster internet service would greatly improve the length of time that it takes for the tasks that are being performed, and provide quicker responses that are needed in a timely situation; **and**

WHEREAS, dependable internet service aids the users in accomplishing what they need to do in a timely manner, and provides much useful and needed information.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners supports and encourages Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation to provide high-speed internet to Columbus County and to serve the areas which are not afforded the service, and we support any grants they need to apply for.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this the 4th day of June, 2018.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ *AMON E. McKENZIE* Chairman

/s/ *JAMES E. PREVATTE*

/s/ *P. EDWIN RUSS*

/s/ *CHARLES T. McDOWELL*

/s/ *MICHAEL H. STEPHENS*, Manager / Attorney

/s/ **TRENT BURROUGHS** Vice Chairman

/s/ *GILES E. BYRD*

/s/ *RICKY BULLARD*

ATTESTED BY:

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

Commissioner Prevatte stated this Resolution of Support for Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation for the Proposed Increase of High-Speed Internet in Columbus County was approved at the May 21, 2018 Board Meeting.

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

At 8:16 P.M., Commissioner McDowell 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 Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 21, 2018 **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.

Agenda Item #16: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BULK WATER RATES:

Harold Nobles, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green. A workshop was conducted at 6:00 P.M. on this date.

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

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - REDUCED TAP-ON FEES:

Chairman McKenzie requested the Board to offer reduced water tap-on fees for a specified period of time.

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 8:23 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs 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 Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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

A. **Budget Amendments:**

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	10-4380-512100	Salaries and Wages Regular	4,050
	10-4380-518200	Retirement Contribution	570
	10-4380-518300	Insurance Contribution	25
	10-4380-526001	Departmental Supplies	5,000
	10-4380-531100	Travel	100
	10-4380-539200	Uniforms and Clothings	625
	10-4380-540030	Contracted Services - Vet Care	2,500
	10-4220-519102	Professional Services - CPA	22,250
	10-4220-519104	Professional Services - Attorney	10,000
	10-4250-525000	Vehicle Supplies and Materials	5,000
	10-4250-550000	Capital Outlay	515
	10-4210-512700	Salaries/Wages Longevity	100
	10-4210-512100	Salaries/Wages Regular	6,335
	10-4210-518100	FICA	115
	10-4210-518200	Retirement Contribution	445
	10-4210-532100	Telephone	105
	10-4210-532101	Postage	10
	10-4120-512100	Salaries and Wages Regular	15,128
	10-4120-518100	FICA	792
	10-4120-518200	Retirement	905
	10-4120-518301	Retirees Health Insurance	263
	10-4120-532101	Postage	150
	10-4122-512100	Salaries and Wages Regular	1,290
	10-4122-518100	FICA	42
	10-4122-518200	Retirement	33
	10-4122-512700	Longevity	26
	10-4122-518300	Insurance Contribution	48
	10-4122-519001	Contracted Services	200
	10-4130-518910	Christmas Bonus	25
	10-4130-531100	Travel	1,500
	10-4130-550010	Non-Capital Outlay	20
	10-4130-512700	Longevity	48
	10-4130-535200	Maint and Repair - Equipment	11,400
	10-4920-519001	Contracted Services	127,730
	10-4920-512100	Salaries and Wages Regular	1,500
	10-4920-518200	Retirement Contribution	100
	10-4920-532101	Postage	400

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
	10-4920-537001	Marketing	2,000
Revenues	10-3100-416100	Tax Refunds	(20,000)
	10-3100-419000	Tax Discount	(12,001)
	10-3100-411100	Current Year Taxes	458,646
	10-3100-411101	Prior Year Taxes	(300,000)
	10-3100-416101	Tax Releases	(5,000)
	10-3100-411115	Motor Vehicle Taxes	100,000
Expenditures	10-4170-512100	Salaries and Wages	16,180
	10-4170-512600	Part-time Salaries	36,327
	10-4170-512700	Longevity	6
	10-4170-518100	FICA	1,238
	10-4170-518200	Retirement	1,452
	10-4170-518910	Christmas Bonus	50
	10-4170-523000	Staff Development	675
	10-4170-526001	Departmental Supplies	4,700
	10-4170-531100	Travel	(5,000)
	10-4170-532101	Postage	4,988
	10-4170-541900	Rental	3,371
	10-4170-549300	Software License Renewal	220
	10-4170-550010	Non-Capital Outlay	4,632
	10-4201-512107	Salaries/Wages - COLA	(26,007)
	10-4201-518100	FICA - COLA	(1,238)
	10-4201-518200	Retirement Contribution COLA	(1,452)
	10-4170-537000	Advertising	(4,632)
Revenues	10-3417-441005	Elections Fees	35,510
Expenditures	45-7114-598031	Repayment of Funds to General Fund	199,964
	10-9999-993000	Contingency Fund	199,964
	43-7116-598002	Close Out of Water District III Project Acct	39,074
	65-7110-980015	Close out of Water District III Project	39,074
Revenues	45-3720-439910	Fund Balance Appropriated	199,964
	10-3839-498080	Transfer from Project Account 45	199,964
	43-3712-399100	Fund Balance Appropriated	39,074
	43-3712-399100	Fund Balance Appropriated	39,074
	65-3718-498008	Close Out of Water District III Project	39,074
Expenditures	10-4140-512100	Salaries and Wages Regular	15,406
	10-4140-512700	Salaries/Wages Longevity	250
	10-4140-518200	Retirement	900
	10-4140-519000	Professional Services	150,000

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
	10-4140-525105	Gas	400
	10-4140-532100	Telephone	1,200
	10-4140-549100	Dues and Subscriptions	40
	10-6120-512100	Salaries/Wages Regular	2,600
	10-6120-512700	Salaries/Wages Longevity	125
	10-6120-518200	Retirement Contribution	175
	10-9600-560079	Water Rescue	808
	10-9600-560075	Rope Rescue	(808)
	10-4150-512700	Salaries/Wages Longevity	21
	10-4150-526000	Office Supplies	1,000
	10-4150-532100	Telephone	100
	10-4150-532101	Postage	150
	10-6120-512100	Salaries/Wages Regular	2,600
	10-6120-512700	Salaries/Wages Longevity	125
	10-6120-518200	Retirement Contribution	175
Revenues	10-3100-411100	Current Year Ad Valorem Taxes	175,267
Expenditures	10-9999-993000	Funds Reserved for Historical Courthouse	1,841,316
	10-9999-999999	Contingency-Reimbursement for Funds Spent at GP	292,005
Revenues	10-3991-489155	Process from the Sale of the GP Plant	2,133,321

B. Tax Refunds and Releases:

<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$303.56
Clewis, Mary	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$2,082.34
Value: \$3,863.00	Year: 10-17	Account: 09-00530	Bill#: 99999
Release value of S/W deceased. Rebill new owner. Release Williams Fire(22.51) release Columbus Rescue(7.49) release late list(27.78)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$134.44
Col Cty Shrine Club Holding Corp	PROPERTY: 19907	Total:	\$147.80
Value: \$16,700.00	Year: 2017	Account: 11-03806	Bill#: 55877
Release value. Should have been exempt. Release Hallsboro Fire(10.02) release Whiteville Rescue(3.34)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$282.20
Cox, Dupree D	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$2,472.07
Value: \$2,530.00	Year: 08-17	Account: 09-00842	Bill#: 99999
Release value S/W torn down in 2006. Release Williams Fire(20.88) release Columbus Rescue(6.97) release late list(31.02)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$649.64
First Born Church of the Living God	PROPERTY: 98505	Total:	\$722.27
Value: \$80,700.00	Year: 2017	Account: 02-50095	Bill#: 61051
Release value. Should be exempt. Release Brunswick Fire(56.49) release Whiteville Rescue(16.14)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$768.80
Ford, Clifton W (Heirs)	PROPERTY: 21094	Total:	\$2,619.58
Value: \$13,600.00	Year: 08-17	Account: 12-08440	Bill#: 99999
Release value. Overbilled. Release Evergreen Fire(113.60) release Columbus Rescue(17.18)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$208.82
Fowler, Angelia Renee	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$258.04
Value: \$7,484.00	Year: 14-17	Account: 09-05023	Bill#: 99999

Release value of boat. Billed in wrong name. Release Roseland Fire(20.57) release
Columbus Rescue(5.19) release late list(23.46)

Property Value Amount: \$742.34
Gore, Steve **PROPERTY:** 93868 Total: \$1,785.66

Value: \$8,400.00 Year: 09-17 Account: 11-02735 Bill#: 99999

Release entire value. Moved off property 10 yrs ago. Release Columbus Rescue(18.32)

Property Value Amount: \$284.70

Hinson, Timothy Allen **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$344.30

Value: \$11,890.00 Year: 15-17 Account: 13-00619 Bill#: 99999

Release value of boat. Listed in wrong township. Release Klondyke Fire(18.34) release
Columbus Rescue(5.24) release Water II(5.68)

Property Value Amount: \$399.31

Ivey, Patricia **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$4,749.95

Value: \$3,590.00 Year: 08-17 Account: 1-46465 Bill#: 99999

Release value. S\W removed. Release Brunswick Fire(34.45) release Whiteville
Rescue(9.84) release Water II(13.28) release late list(31.07)

Property Value Amount: \$571.03

Johnson, Raymond **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$2,409.18

Value: \$7,470.00 Year: 10-17 Account: 01-01464 Bill#: 99999

Release value of S/W repoed 2009. Release Brunswick Fire(49.39) release Whiteville
Rescue(14.10) release late list(53.66)

Property Value Amount: \$197.23

Johnson, William Joseph & stephanie **PROPERTY:** 18286 Total: \$318.13

Value: \$24,500.00 Year: 2017 Account: 10-05039 Bill#: 71215

Release portion of value portion overbilled. Release Columbus Rescue(4.90)

Property Value Amount: \$61.25

Lacewell, Rosemary Moore & Ricky **PROPERTY:** 86498 Total: \$274.86

Value: \$9,900.00 Year: 2017 Account: 05-05733 Bill#: 72616

Release portion of taxes shb exempt per doctor. Release North Whiteville(8.49) release
Whiteville Rescue(2.12)

Property Value Amount: \$149.30

MCMillian, Warren **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$1,446.52

Value: \$2,330.00 Year: 08- Account: 13-26245 Bill#: 99999

Release value. S/W cannot be located. Release Klondyke Fire(12.91) release Columbus
Rescue(3.70) release Water II(7.01) release late list(16.60)

Property Value Amount: \$573.78

Menser Germaine & Katrina Jr **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$2,914.79

Value: \$6,320.00 Year: 08-17 Account: 01-01235 Bill#: 99999

Release value of S/W repoed 2005. Release North Whiteville Fire(108.62) release
Columbus Rescue(14.16) release late list(62.16)release water III(62.74)

Property Value Amount: \$418.63

Monroe, Betty **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$2,442.66

Value: \$4,530.00 Year: 09-17 Account: 01-00342 Bill#: 99999

Release value. S/W never owned by Betty Monroe. Release Klondyke Fire(36.16) release
Columbus Rescue(10.34) release late list(46.53)

Property Value Amount: \$62.00

Purple Robe Christian Music Center **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$69.91

Value: \$1,925.00 Year: 14-17 Account: 09-05908 Bill#: 99999

Release value. Out of business. Release Williams Fire(4.64) release Columbus
Rescue(1.56) release late list(1.71)

Property Value Amount: \$121.78

Rogers, Dallas Wayne **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$1,438.49

Value: \$2,220.00 Year: 12-17 Account: 12-05131 Bill#: 99999

Release value of S/W sold and moved 2010. Release Evergreen Fire(12.07) release
Columbus Rescue(3.02) release water II(4.93) release late list(13.69)

Property Value Amount: \$246.58

Shipman, Bobby **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$1,156.44

Value: \$7,300.00 Year: 14-17 Account: 01-01414 Bill#: 99999

Release value. Aerial photo shows home is gone. Release North Whiteville(24.50) release
Columbus Rescue(6.13) release late list(27.73) release Water III(4.50)

Property Value Amount: \$107.58

Shipman, Dianne **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$1,768.07

Value: \$2,330.00	Year: 08-17	Account: 01-82310	Bill#: 99999	
Release value of S/W was removed off of property in 1997. Release Brunswick Fire(10.73) release Whiteville Rescue(3.08) release late list(18.30)				
<i>Property Value</i>			Amount:	\$347.17
Stocks, R. Darrell		PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$429.33
Value: \$43,127.00	Year: 2017	Account: 07-00805	Bill#: 90067	
Release value. Sold. Release Nakina Fire(34.50) release Columbus Rescue(8.63) release late list(39.03)				
<i>Property Value</i>			Amount:	\$34.53
Stocks, Reuben Darrell		PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$245.70
Value: \$4,290.00	Year: 2017	Account: 07-02560	Bill#: 90082	
Release value of S/W. Rebill in new name. Release Nakina Fire(3.43) release Columbus Rescue(.86) release late list(3.88)				
<i>Property Value</i>			Amount:	\$1,176.09
Williamson, Phyllis		PROPERTY: 83834	Total:	\$1,320.09
Value: \$49,300.00	Year: 12-17	Account: 12-03001	Bill#: 99999	
Release entire value. Discovery Run. Release Evergreen Fire(115.20) release Columbus Rescue(28.80)				
<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Jones, Michael S. & Kimberly		PROPERTY: 1195	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 02-01049	Bill#: 71488	
Refund user fee. No can.				
<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Nye Eleanor P.		PROPERTY: 19756	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 11-18740	Bill#: 80291	
Refund user fee.				
<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Perkins, Eloise Walker		PROPERTY: 89833	Total:	\$1,283.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 12-17	Account: 11-00833	Bill#: 99999	
Refund user fees. Vacant since 2011.				
<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Piecha, Sylvia		PROPERTY: 4757	Total:	\$411.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 16-17	Account: 01-69724	Bill#: 99999	
Refund user fees. Vacant.				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Batten, Curtis		PROPERTY: 23493	Total:	\$411.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 16-17	Account: 13-01548	Bill#: 99999	
Release user fees. Billed on Act#13-02418				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Jenrette, Bonnie F		PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$411.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 16-17	Account: 07-04351	Bill#: 99999	
Release user fee. Vacant.				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Lacks, Colton Howard & Annie		PROPERTY: 76496	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 11-00750	Bill#: 72619	
Release user fee. Vacant.				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Marlowe, Watson Dean		PROPERTY: 13457	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 07-11940	Bill#: 75281	
Release user fee. Empty building.				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Powell, Anna S.		PROPERTY: 26929	Total:	\$203.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 14-12020	Bill#: 82009	
Release user fee. Vacant.				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Rattley, Brenda F.		PROPERTY: 24201	Total:	\$237.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 16-17	Account: 13-34029	Bill#: 99999	
Release user fees. Vacant.				
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Rivenbark, Steven E		PROPERTY: 10924	Total:	\$116.00

Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 06-02451	Bill#: 84191
Release user fee. Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount: \$0.00
Stocks, Jessica Lynn		PROPERTY: 6596	Total: \$203.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2017	Account: 03-03241	Bill#: 90038
Release user fee. No can.			
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount: \$0.00
Williamson, Phyllis		PROPERTY: 83834	Total: \$1,075.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 12-17	Account: 12-03001	Bill#: 99999
Release user fees. Discovery Run.			
<i>User Fee</i>			Amount: \$0.00
Williamson, Phyllis		PROPERTY: 83834	Total: \$208.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2016	Account: 12-03001	Bill#: 11012
Release user fee. Discovery Run			

Agenda Item #19: COMMENTS:

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

A. Department Managers:

1. **Sheriff Lewis L. Hatcher:** I thank each of you that attended the Fallen Officers Memorial. This meant a lot to the family members.
2. **Gary Lanier, Economic Development/Planning Director:** stated the following:
 - When I was in Raleigh a week ago, I did meet with the air quality people at DEQ in regard to the Malec Brothers air quality permit application; **and**
 - I need your input on this, I think the best thing to do is to see what the State decides before we put it back on the agenda for the Planning Board to go through the whole process.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion for Michael H. Stephens, County Manager/ Attorney, to send a letter to the State Division of Air Quality, that states the Columbus County Board of Commissioners opposes the operation of Malec Brothers, and recommend the State to not approve their permit, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Vice Chairman Trent Burroughs:** Duke Energy is doing good and consistent trimming in and around the electric lines.
2. **Commissioner Russ:** stated the following:
 - We need a policy which addresses the County employees campaigning on County time;
 - We need question and answer meetings in each district for the benefit of our citizens;
 - The School Merger Ad Hoc Committee needs to be suspended until the new appointments are on board;

MOTION:

Commissioner Russ made a motion to suspend the School Merger Ad Hoc Committee until the new candidates are on board, seconded by Commissioner McDowell.

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

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

The motion fails on a four (4) to three (3) vote; **and**

-We need to recognize the Whiteville Wolfpack Baseball Team for winning the state championship, and a resolution to be at the next meeting.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion for a Resolution of Appreciation and Recognition be prepared for the Whiteville Wolfpack Baseball Team for winning the State Championship, the West Columbus Baseball Team for winning the Eastern 1A Championship and the West Columbus Cheerleaders for being the State champions, for the June 18, 2018 Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

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

-It is my opinion that we should cancel all the meetings that we have scheduled with the school boards;

MOTION:

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to cancel the June 06, 2018, the June 12, 2018 and the June 13, 2018 Meetings that were scheduled for the school boards, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. A roll-call vote was taken with the following results:

AYES: Vice Chairman Burroughs, Commissioners Bullard, McDowell, Byrd, Russ and Prevatte; **and**

NAYS: Chairman McKenzie.

The motion passes on a six (6) to one (1) vote.

-Mike, has R.J. Corman deeded the property back to Columbus County? Mike replied stated no; **and**

-There is a Little League coach that is displaying ill temperament and usage of bad language with his team members, and this should be checked into.

4. **Commissioner McDowell:**

-Mike, has the new Courthouse air situation been handled? Mike replied stating it is better, but is not completely resolved.; **and**

-I would like a consensus from the Board for a letter to be forwarded to the North Carolina Department of Transportation requesting the speed limit to be reduced from 55 MPH to 45 MPH in the area of Old Dock Elementary School due to congestion.

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

-Mr. Lanier, I would like for you to contact R.J. Corman and ask if he would be willing to sell the asphalt company the land that he needs for his business; **and**

-The shrubbery around the Historic Courthouse is way out of proportion and looks bad and needs to be removed.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to remove the shrubbery surrounding the Historic Courthouse, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

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

-I would like to remind everyone that Trillium is having listening sessions to receive information from citizens about what kind of mental health and substance abuse treatment they would like to receive; **and**

-There will be eight (8) different days and on some of the days, there will be two (2) opportunities on that day.

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

-I did attend the County Assembly Day in Raleigh, and it was very rewarding;

-We have Budget Workshops established for June 5 and June 11, 2018;

-On June 13, 2018, we will have a luncheon at the Department of Social Services, **and**

-We have received \$20,000 for a van for the Department of Aging Senior Centers.

- C. **County Manager / County Attorney (Michael H. Stephens):** stated the following:
 -Bobbie informed me when I delivered the Budget Message, I stated three and one-half (3 ½%) percent for the schools, and it was three (3%) percent;
 -James, I have spoken to Trillium’s attorney and DOJ; **and**
 -I hope for a smooth transition on July 01, 2018.

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

At 8:58 P.M., Commissioner Russ 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 Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #20: CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (6) PERSONNEL:

No official action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION and resume REGULAR SESSION:

At 9:25 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Russ. 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 Board of Commissioners discussed a personnel matter. No decision was made and no action was taken”*.

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the Closed Session General Account, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #21: ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:26 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

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
Monday, June 04, 2018
8:16 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:

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**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:16 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 #15: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 21, 2018 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the May 21, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BULK WATER RATES:

Harold Nobles, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the residential and bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green. A workshop was conducted at 6:00 P.M. on this date.

**GENERAL INFORMATION
BULK WATER RATE CALCULATION
COLUMBUS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES**

-Present Annual Debt Service	\$1,316,166.00
-Present Annual O&M	\$1,565,725.00
-Annual Water Consumption (All Users)	260,106,710 gallons

Budget Component	Annual Distribution O&M \$	Annual Debt \$	Well Annual O&M \$	Annual Water Sales Gallons	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons \$
Distribution O&M	1,166,925			260,106,710	4.49
Well Production			3,698,800	260,106,710	1.53
Debt Service		1,316,166		260,106,710	5.06
Distribution/Well					\$6.02
Total All Expenses:					\$11.08

Listed below is the Present / Proposed Rate Schedules.

I. Present Rate Schedule (2017)

A. Base Rates / Availability

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3/4 - 1 1/2 inch	\$24.00
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II. Proposed Rate Schedule (2018/2019)

A. Base Rates / Availability

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All over 50,000 gallons (including bulk)	\$7.00/1,000

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the residential and bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green, seconded by Commissioner Byrd, The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - REDUCED TAP-ON FEES:

Chairman McKenzie requested the Board to offer reduced water tap-on fees for a specified period of time.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion for the Board to offer a reduced water tap-on fee for a specified period of time, seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

DISCUSSION:

1. Break even amount for tap-on fee: \$588.91;
2. Advertise for people to pay the tap-on fee with no interest attached; **and**
3. Reduced tap-on fee does cost the water system money.

After discussion was completed, Commissioner Prevatte withdrew his motion and Commissioner Byrd withdrew his second.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:23 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

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
Monday, June 04, 2018
8:16 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

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Mike Stephens, **County Manager**
/ **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:16 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 #15: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 21, 2018 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the May 21, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BULK WATER RATES:

Harold Nobles, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the residential and bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green. A workshop was conducted at 6:00 P.M. on this date.

**GENERAL INFORMATION
BULK WATER RATE CALCULATION
COLUMBUS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES**

-Present Annual Debt Service	\$1,316,166.00
-Present Annual O&M	\$1,565,725.00
-Annual Water Consumption (All Users)	260,106,710 gallons

Budget Component	Annual Distribution O&M \$	Annual Debt \$	Well Annual O&M \$	Annual Water Sales Gallons	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons \$
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Well Production			3,698,800	260,106,710	1.53
Debt Service		1,316,166		260,106,710	5.06
Distribution/Well					\$6.02
Total All Expenses:					\$11.08

Listed below is the Present / Proposed Rate Schedules.

I. Present Rate Schedule (2017)

A. Base Rates / Availability

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
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4 inch	\$95.00
6 inch	\$143.00
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B. Commodity

Flat rate for availability with no water allocation	\$24.00
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All over 50,000 gallons	\$6.75/1,000

II. Proposed Rate Schedule (2018/2019)

A. Base Rates / Availability

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
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All over 50,000 gallons (including bulk)	\$7.00/1,000

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the residential and bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green, seconded by Commissioner Byrd, The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - REDUCED TAP-ON FEES:

Chairman McKenzie requested the Board to offer reduced water tap-on fees for a specified period of time.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion for the Board to offer a reduced water tap-on fee for a specified period of time, seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

DISCUSSION:

1. Break even amount for tap-on fee: \$588.91;
2. Advertise for people to pay the tap-on fee with no interest attached; **and**
3. Reduced tap-on fee does cost the water system money.

After discussion was completed, Commissioner Prevatte withdrew his motion and Commissioner Byrd withdrew his second.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:23 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

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
Monday, June 04, 2018
8:16 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:

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**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:16 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 #15: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 21, 2018 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the May 21, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BULK WATER RATES:

Harold Nobles, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the residential and bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green. A workshop was conducted at 6:00 P.M. on this date.

**GENERAL INFORMATION
BULK WATER RATE CALCULATION
COLUMBUS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES**

-Present Annual Debt Service	\$1,316,166.00
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Well Production			3,698,800	260,106,710	1.53
Debt Service		1,316,166		260,106,710	5.06
Distribution/Well					\$6.02
Total All Expenses:					\$11.08

Listed below is the Present / Proposed Rate Schedules.

I. Present Rate Schedule (2017)

A. Base Rates / Availability

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3/4 - 1 1/2 inch	\$24.00
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B. Commodity

Flat rate for availability with no water allocation	\$24.00
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All over 50,000 gallons	\$6.75/1,000

II. Proposed Rate Schedule (2018/2019)

A. Base Rates / Availability

<u>Meter</u>	<u>Cost</u>
3/4 inch	\$24.00
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B. Commodity

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Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the residential and bulk water rates as recommended by Leo Green, seconded by Commissioner Byrd, The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - REDUCED TAP-ON FEES:

Chairman McKenzie requested the Board to offer reduced water tap-on fees for a specified period of time.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion for the Board to offer a reduced water tap-on fee for a specified period of time, seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

DISCUSSION:

1. Break even amount for tap-on fee: \$588.91;
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3. Reduced tap-on fee does cost the water system money.

After discussion was completed, Commissioner Prevatte withdrew his motion and Commissioner Byrd withdrew his second.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:23 P.M., Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

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
Monday, June 04, 2018
8:16 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**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:16 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 #15: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 21, 2018 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the May 21, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BULK WATER RATES:

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**GENERAL INFORMATION
BULK WATER RATE CALCULATION
COLUMBUS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES**

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Debt Service		1,316,166		260,106,710	5.06
Distribution/Well					\$6.02
Total All Expenses:					\$11.08

Listed below is the Present / Proposed Rate Schedules.

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A. Base Rates / Availability

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II. Proposed Rate Schedule (2018/2019)

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ADJOURNMENT:

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APPROVED:

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AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman

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

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice-Chairman**
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Edwin Russ
Ricky Bullard
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APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

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Agenda Item #15: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

May 21, 2018 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the May 21, 2018 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BULK WATER RATES:

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JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

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