COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Monday, January 06, 2020  
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 the regularly scheduled meeting, it being the first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:  
P. Edwin Russ, Chairman  
Jerome McMillian, Vice Chairman  
James E. Prevette  
Giles E. Byrd  
Trent Burroughs,  
Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:  
Mike Stephens, County Manager  
Amanda B. Prince, County Attorney  
June B. Hall, Clerk to Board  
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:  
Charles T. McDowell

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

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the January 06, 2020 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Pastor Gregory Spaulding, Union Baptist Church. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, which was led by Commissioner Giles E. Byrd.

Agenda Item #4:  
PRESENTATION: RETIREMENT PLAQUE:

Chairman Russ presented the following retirement plaque to Amanda Harrelson for her thirty-one, plus, (31+) years of employment with the Columbus County Department of Aging.

PRESENTED TO  
AMANDA HARRRELSON  
IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION  
FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LOYALTY  
TO  
COLUMBUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGING  
07-01-1988 - 12-20-2019

Agenda Item #5:  
BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the December 02, 2019 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #6:  
PRESENTATIONS:

Chairman Russ presented the following Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation to Whiteville High School Cheerleaders.
RESOLUTION of APPRECIATION and RECOGNITION to
WHITEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

WHEREAS, Columbus County is blessed with talented individuals with strong determination to continuously strive to be the best; and

WHEREAS, the field of sports encompasses may areas of expertise inclusive of the need for support from family, friends’ attendance at games and strong energetic routines and voices from their cheerleaders; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County has many young ladies who participate and excel in their field of expertise; and

WHEREAS, the Whiteville High School Junior Varsity Cheerleaders competed in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Cheerleading Invitational on December 07, 2019, in Raleigh, North Carolina, and placed first, and were named the NCHSAA Cheerleading Small JV Non-tumble Division 2 State Champions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, would like to recognize the following players and coach for their achievement of being the NCHSAA Cheerleading Small JV Non-tumble Division 2 State Champions:

Left to Right (Row 1): Whitley Dockery, Trinity Skipper, Kelsey Skipper, Bella Sellers, Ella Inman, Sarah Friese, Haley Wyatt

(Row 2): Alexis LaForte, Autumn Bullard, Leah Quarles, Addie Bailey, Tyashia McKenzie, Dasia McMillian, Mary-Gregg Williamson

Coach: Amanda Tedder

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to each cheerleader and coach who gave of their time and abilities to accomplish this victory.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 6th day of January 06, 2020.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
/s/ JAMES E. PREVATTE
/s/ TRENT BURROUGHS
/s/ CHARLES T. McDOWELL

/s/ JEROME McMILLIAN/s/ Vice Chairman
/s/ GILES E. BYRD
/s/ RICKY BULLARD

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

Chairman Russ presented the following Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation to West Columbus High School Cheerleaders.

RESOLUTION of APPRECIATION and RECOGNITION to
WEST COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

WHEREAS, Columbus County is blessed with talented individuals with strong determination to continuously strive to be the best; and

WHEREAS, the field of sports encompasses may areas of expertise inclusive of the need for support from family, friends’ attendance at games and strong energetic routines and voices from their cheerleaders; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County has many young ladies who participate and excel in their field of expertise; and

WHEREAS, the West Columbus High School Varsity Cheerleaders competed in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Cheerleading Invitational on December 07, 2019, in Raleigh, North Carolina, and were named the NCHSAA 2019 Division 2 Medium Varsity Non-tumble State Champions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, would like to recognize the following players and coach for their achievement of
being the NCHSAA Cheerleading Medium Varsity Non-tumble Division 2 State Champions:

Seniors: Madison Nance, Maggie, Waddell
Juniors: Naya Bryant, Haley Gordon, Erin Griffin, Emma Strickland, Lexi Bullard 
Kaley Smith, Brooke Dyson, Anyla Bellamy-Bullock, Bailey Nance, Alyssa Strickland, Anna Ty Ivey

Coach: Tasha Bass Dyson

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to each cheerleader and coach who gave of their time and abilities to accomplish this victory.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 6th day of January 06, 2020.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/\ P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman /\ JEROME McMILLIAN/\ Vice Chairman
/\ JAMES E. PREVATTE /\ GILES E. BYRD
/\ TRENT BURROUGHS /\ RICKY BULLARD
/\ CHARLES T. McDOWELL

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

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve and adopt the Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation to Whiteville High School Cheerleaders and the Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation to West Columbus High School Cheerleaders, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #7: SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE - INTRODUCTION of DR. WILLIAM C. AIKEN, INTERIM PRESIDENT, and NC CAREER COACH GRANT ALLOCATION:

Henry Edmund, Board Chair, introduced Dr. William C. Aiken as the Interim President for Southeastern Community College, by stating the following:

1. We have two (2) processes going on right now;
2. We are getting bids from consulting firms;
3. Judge Jack Hooks has agreed to chair the Search Committee;
4. In the mean time, we have an interim that has agreed to serve; and
5. I would like to introduce Dr. William C. Aiken who has agreed to serve as the Interim President and he is the past president of Sampson Community College, and he is well qualified.

Dr. William C. Aiken stated the following:

1. The State made available the possibility of a Career Coach, and that Career Coach was designed to work with vocational programs;
2. The grant required that we provide a match, and Dr. Clark did ask that you help with the match and you agreed;
3. There was good response to the grant and the match;
4. The State did decide that Tier I counties did not have to meet the match;
5. I am here to ask if you do still agree with the match and that match will be used to hire an additional coach, full or part time;
6. Your pledge to that match was $16,559 for year 1, $17,290 for year 2 and $17,933 for year 3;
7. I am here to find out if you will still honor that match and allow us to hire an additional person; and
8. I thank you for your support.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve transferring the funds that were pledged to Southeastern Community College for hiring a second Career Coach, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #8: AUDIT - JUNE 30, 2019 ANNUAL AUDIT:

Alan Thompson presented the Columbus County June 30, 2019 Draft Annual Audit with the following Management Letter.
To the Board of Commissioners
Columbus County
Whiteville, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Columbus County for the year ended June 30, 2019. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards and the Uniform Guidance, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated April 10, 2019. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Columbus County are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. The County implemented Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statement) No. 88 “Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, Including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placement” in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. We noted no transactions entered into by Columbus County during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management’s knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. Significant estimate(s) for the County are allowance for doubtful accounts and depreciation.

The disclosures in the financial statements are neutral, consistent, and clear. Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statement users. There are no such disclosures identified.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. Some of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit’s financial statement taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor’s report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representation

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 19, 2019.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants
In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a “second opinion” on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit’s financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor’s opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Auditing Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as Columbus County’s auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

In reviewing the investment policy, it was noted that there were various reports that should be provided to the Board each year to ensure that the investment accounts are properly monitored. The Board should ensure that the policy is enforced.

The balance sheets required several adjustments to correct the balances. Postings throughout the year are mapped to incorrect accounts, and several cleanup entries are posted to correct these accounts. These accounts should be monitored closely throughout the year and reconciled timely. Efforts should be made to correct these original postings so significant adjustments won’t be needed to correct these balances (particularly payroll accounts). Bank reconciliations should be prepared each month, and subsidiary ledgers should be reconciled throughout the year.

There are several projects that need to be closed out. Please review all funds and close out and capitalize projects that should be capitalized. Construction in process needs to be reviewed and projects need to be capitalized that are finished.

When we performed revenue testing, we noticed that some departments are not turning in receipts daily as is required by the policy. In addition, G.S. 159-32 requires that deposits over $500 are made each day. The County makes daily deposits, but should make sure they enforce each department to turn in receipts each day. We also noted discrepancies in reviewing collection in the inspection and tax department.

The Revenue bond in Water District II did not meet the covenant requirements. The County needs to review the water rates and maintain the water districts separately to ensure that the proper revenue and expenses are recorded by district as opposed to attempting to allocate the numbers by year-end adjusting entries.

There were several items noted in the Medicaid compliance testing that are described in the audit report as findings 2019-03, 2019-04, and 2019-05.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the Schedule of County’s Proportionate Share of Net Pension Assets (LGERS), Schedule of County Contributions (LGERS), Schedule of County’s Proportionate Share of Net Pension Asset (ROD) and Schedule of County Contributions (ROD), Schedule of change in Total Pension Liability -Law Enforcement Officer’s Special Separation Allowance, and Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, which is required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management’s responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on the combining and individual non-major fund statement schedules, budgetary schedules, and other schedules, and the schedule of expenditures of federal and State awards, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from
the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

**Restriction on Use**

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Commissioners and management of Columbus County and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams and Co., P.A.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to accept the **DRAFT** June 30, 2019 Annual Audit, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #9:** **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - REVISED DRUG and ALCOHOL POLICY for COLUMBUS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION (CCT):**

Joy Jacobs, Transportation Director, requested board approval of the Revised Drug and Alcohol Policy for Columbus County Transportation (CCT).

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the Revised Drug and Alcohol Policy for Columbus County Transportation, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this document will be marked as Exhibit “A”, and kept in the Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 6, in the Clerk to the Board’s Office, and the Columbus County Public Transportation Office, for review.

**Agenda Item #10:** **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - COUNTY MANAGER and FINANCE DIRECTOR to SIGN the CERTIFICATION and APPLICATION for ROAP FUNDING for FY2020:**

Joy Jacobs, Transportation Director, requested Board approval for the County Manager and the Finance Director to sign the Certification and Application for ROAP Funding for FY2020.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the County Manager and the Finance Director to sign the Certification and Application for ROAP Funding for FY2020 for the Columbus County Public Transportation, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this document will be marked as Exhibit “B” and kept in the Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 6, in the Office of the Clerk to the Board, and the Columbus County Public Transportation Office, for review.

**Agenda Item #11:** **EMERGENCY SERVICES - VIPER RADIO SYSTEM and PAGING CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE:**

Kay Worley, Emergency Services Manager, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Viper Radio System and Paging Capital Project Ordinance.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY VIPER RADIO SYSTEM AND PAGING PROJECT ORDINANCE**

January 06 20120

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 159-13.2 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance is **HEREBY ADOPTED**:

**SECTION 1.** The project authorized is for the Viper Radio System and Paging Project.

**SECTION 2.** The project manager is hereby directed to proceed with the implementation of such project.

**SECTION 3.** The project will be executed in full during fiscal years 2019/2020 and 2020/2021.

**SECTION 4.** The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the County to complete the
SECTION 5. The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

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SECTION 6. The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly on the financial status of this project. She shall keep the Governing Body informed at each regular meeting of any unusual occurrences.

SECTION 7. Copies of the Grant Project Ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer, Project Manager and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED this the 6th day of January, 2020.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ P. EDWIN RUSS, Chair
ATTESTED BY:
/s/ JUNE B. HALL, CLERK TO BOARD

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to adopt the Columbus County Viper Radio System and Paging Project Ordinance, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item12: MAINTENANCE - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Larry Hayes, Maintenance Director, presented the following Departmental Update.

General Departmental Overview Presentation

Maintenance Staff have worked a year and a half without a lost time accident. This not only includes in excess of 20,000 Custodian man-hours; it also includes in excess of an additional, 12,000 mechanical man-hours.

Due to the wide range of Chemicals, electrical equipment and hand tools used by Maintenance, this is a great milestone for any Maintenance organization.

From May 24th to date, Maintenance has secured the support and funding of 3 additional staff through the help of Mr Stephens and a combined effort of Southeastern Community College, FEMA and The Council of Governments program.
Those 3 staff members have provided in excess of 2000 man-hours of maintenance work at no cost to the county.

Notable Note: One of our county Maintenance employees, Hank Williamson, volunteered to work hand and hand with, and oversee the support worker’s projects and their assigned Work Orders with no additional pay added to his normal hourly pay.

He was the only volunteer for the assignment and has provided in excess of 800 hours on a voluntary basic at no additional cost above his hour rate, to the county.

The support program is expected to last until May 2020 or until funds run out.

Maintenance has re-implemented and improved the Preventative Maintenance program that was suspended in 2015. Maintenance Generated P/M’s will be added into the county’s standard Work Order system by MIS. In that system P/M’s will be assigned a set date to automatically be issued to Maintenance thereafter.

Maintenance has implemented a Tool Control program in order to track tools purchased with county funds. All tools are assigned a tool number. By entering that tool number into the program it will identify the tool, show where the tool is located and who is responsible for that tool. Tools are also inventoried once a year.

Maintenance has implemented a Key Control program. All spare keys are stored in a double locked Key Box with limited access. Only 2 people have keys to the key lock box. Keys removed from the Key Box are either signed out on a temporary sign out log or permanent sign out. Individual Maintenance worker’s keys are signed out on a permanent sign out. Each Maintenance Worker has an assign lock Box for key storage when not in use. The program will be improved as needed.

WORK ORDERS (for the last year)
1,543 work orders were entered into the system
1,465 of those were completed
25 were assigned to staff
8 are on Hold
45 Are on Back log with most being low priority.

Note: Back log was around 125 in January of 2017.

MAINTENANCE FACILITIES HIGHLIGHTS

(Issues that are on the NC Council of Governments Report, that have been addressed or is planned to be addressed in this budget year are identified by an underline)

Highlights:
The parking areas around the Courthouse, Annex and Tax office have been significantly up-graded.

New roofs have been installed on the Airport and 50 Legion Facility. Several other roofs are scheduled to be replaced which were action items in the Council of Government Report.

Items that are highly supported by this Board are:

Security walls were added to the Administration, Transportation and Coop entrances. This included an additional door to the Administration and Transportation wall, as well as a sliding glass window in the Coop and Transportation entrance. The windows allow communication with the public while maintaining security. All of which was added by staff at a substantial savings to tax payers.

A state-of-art security system was installed in the administration building. An Electronic Security Entrance control was added to the Coop entrance and the same is in the process of being added to the Transportation facility.

All buildings will continue to receive security up grades.

Through continued test and readjustments Maintenance has seemingly eliminated the yearly flooding/leaking of the courthouse clerk’s area brought on from the Roof Top HVAC Unit. With help from outside contractors the prolonged humidity issue has been reduced but is still not at an acceptable
level which was also an action item on the Council of Governments report.

Maintenance staff have remodeled 3 offices in Juvenile Justice, which also added another office, to help meet a state policy change, a change that increased the need for office space.

Maintenance is also working on remodeling a closed hallway that will add 6 available offices to address Health Department growth. Both of these projects being performed in-house will result in substantial savings and both were action items on the Council of Governments Report.

**Maintenance Shop**

Maintenance workers have converted the old boiler house, previously used for storage to a full operational Maintenance Shop. The functions of the shop include Carpentry, Sheet Metal, Welding and an array of prefab work such as plumbing and electrical prefabrication. This shop has eliminated the need and dependence on a substantial amount of contract work.

**Annex**

Contractors extended the parking lot concrete and restriped it to assure maximum parking.

**Administration**

Metal Steps were rebuilt by staff to prevent total replacement at a substantial savings to tax payers as well as county budget.

A Security wall & door was added by staff at a substantial savings to tax payers. A state-of-art security system was installed by vendor to protect staff and customers, two items that were highly supported by this Board.

Very aged and damaged facial was replaced to match nearby buildings by staff at a substantial savings to tax payers.

As per Council of Government recommendations we will replace 1 of the aged and problematic HVAC units soon. (funds budgeted)

**Airport**

Contractors have installed a new Roof, also an action item on the Council of Government list. Temporary back-up power was added to the hangers and will remain until a permanent back-up is installed which was one of the action items from the Council of Government.

**Animal Control**

A substantial amount of the state required work was performed by staff at a savings to tax payers. This included the installation of lights and cage panels in the vendor contracted remodeled cat room, as well as installing the state required industrial dog cage divider curtains.

**Old Animal Control**

As requested by the Kennel and recommended as an action item by the Council of Government, Maintenance staff cut the extended growth and trees from around the facility and cleaned out the building in order for the Kennel to put it back in use. This was also done at the fraction of the cost compared to the services from a vendor.

**Current Courthouse**

The facility continues to be a challenge for Maintenance as well as others involved. Through continued test and readjustments Maintenance has seemingly eliminated the yearly flooding/leaking of the Courthouse Clerk’s area brought on from the Roof Top HVAC Unit, as well as the extensive flooding of the lobby from rain water. With help from outside contractors the prolonged humidity issue has been reduced but is still not at an acceptable level which was also an action item listed on the Council of Governments report.

**Historical Courthouse**

The Historical Courthouse Renovation was also an action item on the Council of Governments report. A Historical Courthouse Team of 8 has been assembled to oversee and advise on the renovation project. To prevent as many obstacles, setbacks and surprises as possible, an array of information is being gathered and the team will grow as the need arises. Input from other outside sources are also being requested by the team as needed. Upon the present team’s consensus, the project was placed on hold for a short while in order to work out some unseen issues. Those issues have been resolved and the project will be regaining its momentum very quick. At present, with the assistance of outside
sources, as well as the team’s input, we are getting cost quotes and estimates, to determine the needed budget. Maintenance is in the process of removing equipment that could be used at other county locations that will otherwise be disposed of by the renovation contract once hired. Some equipment such as ceiling grid, ceiling tile and sliding glass windows have already been reused.

**DSS**

As per the Council of Governments recommendation we will replace 1 of the aged and problematic HVAC units soon. (funds budgeted)

**Detention Center (closed)**

Cell bar removal in the detention area is still pending an awarded contract. The Administration area ceiling and carpet was removed and facility cleaned by contractor. Maintenance staff did extensive plumbing work and returned HVAC to operating condition. A Contractor preformed the first phase of Mold Remediation to the entire facility including all HVAC systems to kill present mold and prevent any future Mold growth. The contractor has also repainted the Administration area and Maintenance is in the process of replacing the ceiling tile as time allows. Several walls will be added by Maintenance converting the facility to an office complex. It will consist of about 18 offices, ½ of which could easily be converted to secured storage rooms. Our biggest challenge at this time is getting the cell bars removed. Once the cell bars are removed, walls will be added and the detention area will be repainted. The facility will then receive the second and final phase of Mold Remediation.

**Health Department/Inspections facility**

Staff installed a solid vinyl fence to shield the unsightly appearance of the old emergency room entrance.

Maintenance staff installed a new high quality Laminate Flooring in the Lobby.

A very low maintenance long life concrete Handicap Ramp is being installed to accommodate the south wing, now occupied by Port Health.

With some help of an outside contractor, the unusable Metal Steps were rebuilt by staff in order to reopen the closed entrance.

As per Council of Government recommendations we will replace 1 of the aged and problematic HVAC units soon

As per Council of Government recommendations, we have scheduled 4 of the HD Facility’s high maintenance roofs to be replaced and we are working on getting the elevator modernized and back running.

Maintenance is also working on remodeling a closed hallway that will open 6 available offices, another issue, lack of office space, noted as an action item on the Council of Governments report.

**50 Legion (old BOE)**

A new roof was installed by a contractor. The facility is presently being partially occupied by Guardian Ad Litem A state storm support group, is expected to move in next month and remain there for a couple of years. The use of this building was also addressed in the Council of Governments Report.

**County Owned Graveyard**

The site which proved itself to be an insult to certain members of the public was upgraded to a presentable standard. It is now on scheduled inspections.

**Juvenile Justice**

Maintenance staff remodeled 3 offices, which proved to be another substantial savings to tax payers and the county budget. This also address the recommendation of the Council of Government to address the coming growth of JJ due to State Policy changes, by adding 1 office.

**Landfill**

As Recommended by the Council of Governments, Maintenance staff remodeled the Head House in order to put it back in use, also at a saving to tax payers and the county budget compared to a contractor cost

**Mollie Convenience Site**
County staff rebuilt an exterior wall, repaired floor joist, replaced a large area of floor and replaced a door pocket to prevent the soon to coming need to replace the entire office building which generated a substantial savings.

**Parks & Recreation**
Install a large drain basin, grate and 60 feet of 12” drain line to prevent further deterioration of the Main office’s foundation that has been taking place for years.

**Register of Deeds/TAX OFFICE/MIS facility**
County staff replaced the ROD reception area carpet, again a great savings compared to contractor quote.

**Tax Office**
The entire Tax Office parking lot was repaved which included Register of Deeds. All was restriped including the Annex and Courthouse parking lots.

**Transportation**
With the help of a contractor the maintenance staff cleared very heavy growth from the facility’s surrounding security fence. Staff also repaired the highly neglected fence. To address security issues Maintenance staff have installed a security wall, sliding glass window and door. This will be followed by a electronic security control entrance

**COOP**
To address security issues Maintenance staff installed a sliding glass window and had an electronic security control entrance added to the door.

**ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE FACILITIES THAT RECEIVE ROUTINE MAINTENANCE**
- BOE/HUD facility ($100 limit per visit, leased)
- DA/SCJudge/DCJudge facility
- Department of Aging and Remote Sites ($100 limit per visit for remote leased site)
- Emergency Services
- Library and Remote Sites ($100 limit per visit for remote leased sites)
- Public Utilities
- Sheriff Department
- Veterans Office

**Agenda Item #13: HEALTH - PRE-ORDER OF FLU VACCINE:**

Kimberly Smith, Health Department Director, requested Board approval to pre-order flu vaccine, at the cost of thirty-seven thousand, seven hundred eighty-five and 84/100 ($37,785.84) dollars.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve to pre-order flu vaccine, at the cost of thirty-seven thousand, seven hundred eighty-five and 84/100 ($37,785.84) dollars, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #14: PROCLAMATION - PROCLAMATION in SUPPORT of NATIONAL RADON ACTION MONTH in COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA:**

Kimberly Smith, Health Department Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Proclamation in Support of National Radon Action Month in Columbus County, North Carolina.

**Proclamation In support of National Radon Action Month**

in Columbus County, North Carolina

WHEREAS, radon is a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas that may threaten the health of our citizens and their families; and

WHEREAS, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. and is the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers; and

WHEREAS, the National Academy of Sciences estimates that up to 21,000 lung cancer deaths occur
in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, radon is found in one in 15 homes across the U.S. have elevated radon levels; and

WHEREAS, any home may have elevated levels of radon, even if neighboring homes do not, and living in a home with an average radon level of 4 picocuries per liter of air poses a similar risk of developing lung cancer as smoking half a pack of cigarettes a day; and

WHEREAS, testing for radon is simple and inexpensive and radon problems can be fixed; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County Board of Commissioners, the U.S. Surgeon General, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the NC Department of Health and Human Services’ NC Radon Program and the North Carolina Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control support efforts to encourage homeowners to test their homes for radon, have elevated levels of radon reduced; and

WHEREAS, many residents in Columbus County don’t know about radon, yet need to know, for the safety and health of their families and a proclamation of National Radon Action Month is an opportunity to educate individuals on the available measures to reduce radon.

NOW, THEREFORE, Columbus County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim JANUARY 2020 as National Radon Action Month in Columbus County, North Carolina

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 6th day of January, 2020.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
ATTESTED BY:
/s/ JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve and adopt the Proclamation in Support of National Radon Action Month in Columbus County, North Carolina, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: FINANCE - RESOLUTION CALLING a PUBLIC HEARING on WHETHER the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS for the COUNTY of COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA SHOULD APPROVE a PROPOSED INSTALLMENT FINANCING to FINANCE a PORTION of the COST of the VIPER RADIO and PAGING SYSTEM PROJECTS:

Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Resolution Calling a Public Hearing on Whether the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina should approve a Proposed Installment Financing to Finance a Portion of the Cost of the VIPER Radio and Paging System Projects.

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) for the County of Columbus (the “County”) held a regular meeting in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, at 6:30 P.M. on January 6, 2020. The following Commissioners were:

Present: Chairman P. Edwin Russ, Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian, Commissioners James E. Prevatte, Giles E. Byrd, Trent Burroughs and Ricky Bullard.

Absent: Commissioner Charles T. McDowell.

Commissioner Ricky Bullard introduced the following Resolution which was read by title, and moved it be adopted:

RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON WHETHER THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA SHOULD APPROVE A PROPOSED INSTALLMENT FINANCING TO FINANCE A PORTION OF
THE COST OF THE VIPER RADIO AND PAGING SYSTEM PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus (the “County”) has determined to finance a portion of the cost of the viper radio and paging system project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County is considering undertaking an installment financing pursuant to G.S. §160A-20, as amended, for the purpose of providing funds in an amount not to exceed $4,895,137 with other available funds, for the construction and other accomplishment of the Project, and the County is authorized to do so only after a public hearing on such proposed agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to call a public hearing on such proposed installment financing agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. A public hearing shall be held at 6:30 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, on January 21, 2020 in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose of considering whether the Board of Commissioners for the County (the “Board”) should approve (a) such proposed installment financing and certain related documents pursuant to G.S. §160A-20, as amended, for the purpose of providing funds in an amount not to exceed $4,895,137, with any other available funds, for the construction and other accomplishment of the Project.

2. The Clerk to the Board shall cause a notice of such public hearing to be published in The News Reporter once at least 10 days before January 21, 2020.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian seconded the motion and the motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Six (6).

NAYS: Zero (0).

ABSENT: One (1).

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA )
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS )

I, JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, DO HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. A meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, located in the State of North Carolina, was duly held January 06, 2020, such meeting having been noticed, held and conducted in accordance with all requirements of law (including open meetings requirements), and minutes of that meeting have been or will be duly recorded in the Minute Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the minutes of the Board of Commissioners.

2. The attached extract accurately reflects the actions taken by the Board of Commissioners with respect to the matters therein.

3. That extract correctly states the time when the meeting was convened and the place where the meeting was held and the members of the Council who attended the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have hereunto affixed the seal of the County as of January 06, 2020.

(SEAL)

/s/ JUNE B. HALL

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to establish a Public Hearing on January 21, 2020, at 6:30 P.M.
P.M., on Whether the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina Should Approve a Proposed Installment Financing to Finance a Portion of the Cost of the Viper Radio and Paging System Projects, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEE/BOARDS:

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

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

At 7:29 P.M., Commissioner Byrd 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 Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V - APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

December 02, 2019 Combination Meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

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

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

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

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B. TAX REFUNDS AND RELEASES:

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Avant, Waitus Hampton & Greer Wooten PROPE RTY: 99495
Value: $16,600.00 Year: 2019 Account: 11-00039
Release portion of value. Value corrected. Release Columbus Rescue,(50)

Property Value
Avant, Waitus Hampton & Greer Wooten PROPE RTY: 95926
Value: $16,600.00 Year: 2019 Account: 11-00039
Release portion of value. Value corrected. Release Columbus Rescue,(50)

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Value: $16,600.00 Year: 2019 Account: 11-00039
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Value: $16,600.00 Year: 2019 Account: 11-00039
Release portion of value. Value corrected. Release Columbus Rescue,(50)

Property Value
Avant, Waitus Hampton & Greer Wooten PROPE RTY: 20300
Value: $16,600.00 Year: 2019 Account: 11-00039
Release portion of value. Value corrected. Release Columbus Rescue,(50)

Property Value
Boyette Kiva Mrs PROPE RTY: 85986
Value: $16,900.00 Year: 16-19 Account: 13-03560

Amount: $20.13 Total: $20.63 Bill#: 84862
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Amount: $20.13 Total: $20.63 Bill#: 84863
Amount: $544.20 Total: $557.72 Bill#: 99999
Property Value

Boyette, Kiva Mrs

PROPERTY: 23608
Value: $14,900.00 Year: 16-19 Account: 13-06560
Release value sold at tax sale. Release Columbus Rescue(11.76)

Amount: $485.12
Bill#: 99999

Property Value

Boyette, Kiva Mrs

PROPERTY: 10158
Value: $4,100.00 Year: 16-19 Account: 06-02220
Release value sold at tax sale. Release Columbus Rescue(1.54)

Amount: $63.53
Bill#: 99999

Property Value

Caulder, Tonia

PROPERTY: 18100
Value: $74,500.00 Year: 2019 Account: 10-03756
Release property value. Buy out for FEMC. Release Columbus Rescue(14.90)

Amount: $727.63
Bill#: 91775

Property Value

GNG Logging LLC

PROPERTY: 00000
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 04-04155
Release late list dropped in box up front office.

Amount: $1,162.31
Bill#: 49406

Property Value

Jackson, Kathy Mae

PROPERTY: 00000
Value: $0.00 Year: 13-19 Account: 06-20292
Release value house torn down. Release Columbus Rescue(3.59) release late list(14.78)

Amount: $11.67
Bill#: 99999

Property Value

McCumbee, Billy

PROPERTY: 00000
Value: $2,910.00 Year: 2019 Account: 09-05605
Release value of mobile home. SWMH moved off in 2016.

Amount: $228.97
Bill#: 13323

Property Value

RJ Corman c/o Carolina Lines

PROPERTY: 100172
Value: $100,172.00 Year: 2019 Account: 09-00844
Release value shb exempt. Release Roseland Fire(302.88) release Columbus Rescue(75.72)

Amount: $3,426.33
Bill#: 20662

Property Value

RJ Corman c/o Carolina Lines

PROPERTY: 100173
Value: $638,600.00 Year: 2019 Account: 09-00844
Release value shb exempt. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(638.60) release Columbus Rescue(127.72)

Amount: $5,907.05
Bill#: 20663

Property Value

Reaves, Kathleen

PROPERTY: 11777
Value: $0.00 Year: 15-18 Account: 06-31000
Release value sold at tax sale. Release Columbus Rescue(2.80)

Amount: $90.25
Bill#: 99999

Property Value

Reaves, Von & Kathleen

PROPERTY: 11778
Value: $0.00 Year: 10-18 Account: 06-31020
Release value sold at tax sale. Release Columbus Rescue(17.92)

Amount: $1,008.69
Bill#: 99999

Property Value

Rogers, Roy & Ann

PROPERTY: 00000
Value: $0.00 Year: 13-19 Account: 12-23460
Release value of boat. Junked in 2013. Release Columbus Rescue(1.17) release water II(1.02) release late list( 3.35)

Amount: $48.95
Bill#: 99999

Property Value

Sec*ure Inc

PROPERTY: 30646
Value: $60,900.00 Year: 2019 Account: 16-00948
Release portion of value. Overbilled. House torn down. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(60.90) release Columbus Rescue(12.18)

Amount: $676.33
Bill#: 23420

Property Value

Spivey, Robert

PROPERTY: 63228
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 09-28505
Release 2%. Error Release ( 10.33) Yam City

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Release user fees.  House unliveable.

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Hayes, Norma Jean Rogers & Steven
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Release user fee. Billed to Singlewide.

User Fee
Henry O Milligan Revocable Trust
PROPERTY: 75089
Value: $0.00  Year: 2019  Account: 06-03450
Release user fee.  Home has burned.

User Fee
Henry O Milligan Revocable Trust & Lou
PROPERTY: 77494
Value: $0.00  Year: 2019  Account: 07-03623
Release user fee.  Home unliveable.

User Fee
Hughes, James Madison
PROPERTY: 7188
Value: $0.00  Year: 2019  Account: 03-11540
Release user fee.  Single Wide has only 1 can.

User Fee
Jacobs Anthony D
PROPERTY: 8989
Value: $0.00  Year: 2019  Account: 04-05725
Release user fee.  Vacant

User Fee
Jolly, Jimmy
PROPERTY: 00000
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Release both cans vacant houses.

User Fee
Jolly, Jimmy
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Release user fee.  House has no power.

User Fee
Jolly, Jimmy & Patricia
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Release both cans vacant houses.

User Fee
Jolly, Patricia
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Release user fee.  House has no power.

User Fee
Long, Joseph Lindon Jr. & Sharon
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Release user fee.  Vacant

User Fee
Lynn, Nicole LLC
PROPERTY: 15739
Value: $0.00  Year: 2019  Account: 09-03656
Release user fee.  Overbilled.

User Fee
Marsha Milligan Trust
PROPERTY: 11700
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Release user fee.  Home unliveable.

User Fee
McPherson, Janice Maxine
PROPERTY: 88137
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Release user fee. Dbilled.

User Fee
Moore, Linwood
PROPERTY: 26873
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User Fee
Nakina Pentecostal Holiness Church
PROPERTY: 00000
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User Fee
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 07-50070 Bill#: 16496
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User Fee
Parker, David Andrew
PROPERTY: 29762
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 15-28998 Bill#: 18301
User Fee
Patrick Reginald Rendell
PROPERTY: 00000
Value: $0.00 Year: 18-19 Account: 15-02329 Bill#: 99999
Release user fees. House vacant.
User Fee
Peterson, D J & Joyce
PROPERTY: 78201
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 15-05122 Bill#: 18816
User Fee
Porter, Joruth S & Leslie
PROPERTY: 60681
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 15-02910 Bill#: 19464
Release user fee. Mobile home park.
User Fee
Powell, Anna S
PROPERTY: 00000
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Release user fee. Vacant
User Fee
Powell, Rosemary & George
PROPERTY: 18935
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 11-21349 Bill#: 19875
Release user fee. Vacant
User Fee
Pridgen Jeremy Clayton
PROPERTY: 495
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 01-06092 Bill#: 20272
Release user fee. No home on property.
User Fee
Rogers, Craig & Melissa
PROPERTY: 00000
Value: $0.00 Year: 11-19 Account: 12-05601 Bill#: 99999
Release all cans.
User Fee
Singletary, Melvin & Sheila
PROPERTY: 7783
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 03-21240 Bill#: 24425
Release user fee. Dbilled.
User Fee
Simmons, Danny Lee
PROPERTY: 60423
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Release user fee. Vacant land.
User Fee
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Release user fee. Vacant.
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Simpson, Calvin R
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Release user fee. Vacant.
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Simpson, James C
PROPERTY: 7836
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 24-05792 Bill#: 25567
Release user fee. Dbilled.
User Fee
Simpson, James C
PROPERTY: 16712
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 09-03625 Bill#: 22965
Release user fee. No power to home.
User Fee
Simpson, James C
PROPERTY: 7836
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User Fee
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PROPERTY: 7836
Value: $0.00 Year: 2019 Account: 24-05792 Bill#: 25567
Release user fee. Dbilled.
Agenda Item #19: COMMENTS:

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

A. Department Managers:

1. Kimberly Smith, Health Director: stated the following:
   - Thank you very much for the funds to purchase the flu vaccine;
   - There have been ten (10) deaths in the state from the flu; and
   - There have been five thousand, two hundred (5,200) deaths in the United States from the flu; and
   - Please come by and get your flu vaccine.

2. Dalton Dockery, Cooperative Extension Director: stated the following:
   - I have been asked to chair the Complete Count Committee for the 2020 Census;
   - We will be having a meeting on January 21, 2020;
   - The Census is very important;
   - There are 675 billion dollars available from Federal funding based on census numbers;
   - The last census that was done, we only had approximately 35-36 percent of the people, and that is not acceptable, we need at least 75% of the population counted;
   - By Federal law, the information given can not be used against you in any way by any government agency;
   - Do the census without fear;
   - The census affects the funding for Columbus County;
   - You can do the census on line, by telephone or by mail;
   - I am working with 30-40 various backgrounds;
   - Four (4) things to accomplish at the meeting:
     - Superintendent of Whiteville City Schools;
     - Smart Start personnel;
     - Target everybody including the underserved; and
     - We need all people to be on the same page;
   - The Census Bureau is hiring people to go door-to-door and pay $14.50 per hour and gas mileage at $0.58 per mile; and
   - These numbers will affect Columbus County for the next ten (10) years.

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. Commissioner Bullard: stated the following:
-We have an employee at the Sheriff’s Department that is retiring on January 31, 2020, with thirty (30) years of employment, and we need to have special recognition of his service to Columbus County at a meeting in February; and
-Debbie Worley, a lady that lives on River Road, is being informed to do some questionable things with her lot and house from the Planning Department, and Mike I would like for you to check into this situation.

2. Commissioner McMillian: stated the following:
-What is going on at the Board of Elections? Mike Stephens, County Manager, replied stating that Carla Strickland, Elections Director, had called him and stated that some ballot boxes were missing, and he in turn called the Sheriff; and
-We, as a board, need to work together for all County employees and we need to do what is right.

3. Chairman Russ: I have ordered the Evaluation Forms for the employees the Board appoints.

C. County Manager (Michael H. Stephens): stated the following:
1. I would like to introduce Ms. Sabrina Evans, who is the Interim Department of Aging Director until we intervene and hire a Director;
2. We need to start thinking about our Board Retreat; and
3. I would like to thank Dalton Dockery who has agreed to chair the Complete Count Committee for the 2020 Census.

Agenda Item #20: Public Input:

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

Agenda Item #21: ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:00 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
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:  
P. Edwin Russ, Chairman  
Jerome McMillian, Vice-Chairman  
James E. Prevatte  
Giles E. Byrd  
Trent Burroughs  
Ricky Bullard  

APPOINTEES PRESENT:  
Mike Stephens, County Manager  
Amanda B. Prince, County Attorney  
June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board  
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer  

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:  
Charles T. McDowell  

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:  
At 7:29 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17:  
COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V - APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:  

December 02, 2019 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 December 02, 2019 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian.  The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:  
At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian.  The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:  

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board  

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, January 06, 2020
7:29 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:  APPOINTEES PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, Chairman  Mike Stephens, County Manager
Jerome McMillian, Vice-Chairman  Amanda B. Prince, County Attorney
James E. Prevatte  June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board
Giles E. Byrd  Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:
Charles T. McDowell

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17:  COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V - APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

December 02, 2019 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 December 02, 2019 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, January 06, 2020
7:29 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:
P. Edwin Russ, Chairman Mike Stephens, County Manager
Jerome McMillian, Vice-Chairman Amanda B. Prince, County Attorney
James E. Prevatte June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board
Giles E. Byrd Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:  Charles T. McDowell

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17:  COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V - APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

December 02, 2019 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 December 02, 2019 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

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JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board     P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, Chairman
Jerome McMillian, Vice-Chairman
James E. Prevatt
Giles E. Byrd
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V - APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

December 02, 2019 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 December 02, 2019 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman
COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, January 06, 2020
7:29 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:
P. Edwin Russ, Chairman
Jerome McMillian, Vice-Chairman
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Trent Burroughs
Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:
Mike Stephens, County Manager
Amanda B. Prince, County Attorney
June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board
Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:
Charles T. McDowell

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V - APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

December 02, 2019 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 December 02, 2019 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

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JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board     P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman