

The Honorable Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' office on Monday, February 4, 1929, in regular session. Members of the Board present were:

D. F. McGougan, Chairman

J. C. Hooks, Sr.

H. G. Avant

D. W. Meritt

Absent: J. R. Blake

G. C. Ratcliffe, Clerk

Minutes of the last three meetings were read and approved and the following orders were passed:

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund J. I. Dodd on \$2465.00 valuation on his property in Waccamaw Township for the year 1928. This reduction changes the valuation from \$4265.00 on 360 acres of land to \$1800.00 which is at the rate of \$5.00 valuation per acre. The reduction is granted on account of over-valuation.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund R. G. Lyton in Waccamaw Township for the year 1928 on \$850.00 valuation, the reduction being granted on account of over-valuation.

Ordered: That the Clerk of Court pay the special Veniremen \$1.00 per day and $7\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per mile for their time in having to come to the Courthouse on account of the case of Dennis Lovett. It is understood that those who served on the jury are to receive compensation at the regular rate for jurors.

Ordered: That Alex Ward be given \$1.00 as present relief.

Ordered: That the following land sale certificates now in the hands of Lewis and Baldwin be cancelled for the various years and reasons as set out in this order:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
>Stephen Nelson	Bogue	1925	\$8.57	Listed by J. B. Barefoot
>Stephen Nelson	Bogue	1926	\$9.72	Listed by J. B. Barefoot
>Donald McRackan	Chadbourn	1926	\$3.14	Listed by Donald McRackan and I. C. Duncan

Ordered: That the following men be appointed to serve as Township Supervisors in their respective townships during the ensuing year:

Bogue:	J. D. Young <i>J. D. Young</i>	S. J. Batten	B. A. Miller
Bolton:	I. P. Nobles	Herbert Strauss	M. D. Best
Bug Hill:	G. K. Gore	Lacy Long	Vance B. Gore
Chadbourn:	J. G. White	Stephen E. Hooks	N. B. Stephens
Cerro Gordo:	O. H. Williamson	J. P. Hammonds	D. C. Collins
Fair Bluff:	B. B. Hammonds	J. F. Waddell	Calvin Small
Lees:	J. B. Reeves <i>A. B. Coleman</i>	B. A. Marlowe	O. M. Stephens
Ransom:	J. W. Beckwith	B. F. Applewhite	S. E. Flynn

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Tatum:	R. F. Benton	Harry Bullock	C. D. Branch
Waccamaw:	R. A. McLaughlin	Woodie Carroll <i>Jeane Holmes</i>	J. P. Council <i>Cary Chaney</i>
W. Creek:	B. S. Lennon	H. S. High	Joe Baldwin
W. Prong:	Paul Page	D. L. Jordan <i>Gordon Walters</i>	Lon Brown
Whiteville:	K. M. Thompson	J. A. Hooks	G. D. Tyre
Williams:	J. W. Jordan	J. C. Cribb	G. C. Hinson
So. Williams:	J. L. Prince	H. Soles	S. G. Sarvis

Ordered: That the following taxpayers be granted refunds on their respective valuation for the year 1928 for the reason as herein below stated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Cerro Gordo Racket Store	Cerro Gordo	\$1000.00	Over valuation on Merchandise
W. E. Bigford	Bolton	\$2891.00	Owns no property in Bolton. Should be in Ransom.
E. E. White	Bolton	\$2400.00	Tax receipt cancelled in lieu to one for R. L. Pahlman and one to E. E. White.
Aaron Abrams	Waccamaw	\$1000.00	Error--listed by Carl Singer
Odell Watts	So. Williams	Poll Tax	Exemption granted on account of disabilities.
Willie Sibbet	Whiteville	Poll Tax	Listing in Tatum Township
Wiley Young	Bogue	Poll Tax	Error--listed twice
Luther Robinson	Bogue	Poll Tax	Listed twice--Commissioners and Penalty list.
H. E. Long	Bug Hill	\$900.00	Refund granted in 1927--failed to get reduction on 1928 books.
Mrs. M. J. Smith	Whiteville	\$2031.00	This property was listed in Lees Township.
A. L. Herring	Tatum	Poll Tax	Paying tax in Whiteville Township.
George L. Todd	Chadbourn	Poll Tax	Tax listed on regular list as G. L. Todd.
C. R. Rowe	Whiteville	\$1000.00	Reduction granted in 1927--failed to record on 1928 books.
Henry S. Smith	Bogue	\$350.00	Over valuation through error.

Ordered: That the County Commissioners' office be rearranged by cutting in half the counter which was built across the room and reconstruct one half the said counter on each side of the office, thus giving more floor space. It is further ordered that a railing approximately three feet in height be constructed across the office for the purpose of inclosing the Commissioners' desks from the crowds on first Monday meetings.

Ordered: That the following General County bills be allowed and paid for the month of January:

A. W. Baldwin	Handling & hauling coal for Courthouse	\$75.30
Henry Todd	Hauling coal for County Home	1.00
S. V. Powell	Hauling Wood for County Home	2.25
Martha Royall	Two washings at County Home	2.00
K. D. Hardee	Registrar of Vital Statistics	45.00
Miss Emiline Cleveland	Jan. salary - Home Agt. & Nutrition Exp.	67.50
Sarah J. Williams	Jan. Salary- Home Agent (Col.)	25.00

Mae Stanley	Jan. salary - Stenographer	\$62.50
J. P. Quinerly	Jan. Salary - Farm Dem. Agent	150.00
G. C. Ratcliffe	Jan. salary - Auditor	200.00
Dwight McEwen	Reporting Court - Board and lodging - Transportation	93.34
V. B. White	Serving as Court Officer to the Grand Jury 5 days	15.00
Artemisia Smith	Jan. salary - assisting Auditor	100.00
John W. Hall	" " Sheriff	225.00
C. A. Farley	" " Assisting Sheriff	100.00
J. L. Memory	" " C. S. C., Clerk of Rec. Court, Judge of Juvenile Court	225.00
Mary Memory	" " Assisting C. S. C.	100.00
C. C. Russ	" " Welfare Officer	25.00
Ed. Schwartz	Janitor and Officer of Rec. Court	60.00
Geo. E. Collier	Jan. Salary - Reg. of deeds	200.00
Catherine Vogels	" " Assisting Reg. of Deeds.	100.00
E. A. Maulsby	" " Judge of Rec. Court	100.00
Julian D. Lewis	" " County Atty.	75.00
Edward K. Proctor	" " Prosecuting Atty.	75.00
B. F. Baldwin	" " Tax Work	150.00
L. A. Hankinson	" " Rural Police	100.00
#117 Motor Transport Co.	January appropriation	10.00
D. L. Gore	" Salary - Tax Collector	200.00
W. B. Prevatte	" " Keeper of County Home	100.00
S. P. Fipps	Conveying Grand Jury to Chain Gang and different schools	13.50
F. M. Ross & Co., Inc.	Blankets for jail	72.00
Alfred Williams & Co.	Simmons Manual for C. S. C.	7.00
Seeman Printery, Inc.	Legal pads for Auditor's office	25.00
Mitchell Printing Co.	Books and supplies for Reg. of Deeds	54.84
C. W. Yates Co.	Supplies for County Agt. & Home Agt.	19.35
Miss Emiline Cleveland	Cash paid for express	.77
International Chemical Company	Supplies for Auditor's office	3.73
Garrell Brothers	Burial expense of Johnie Anderson	15.00
L. A. Hankinson	Gas and Oil for Rural Police	8.47
J. T. McKenzie & Co.	Burial expense of Coy Strickland	23.00
A. T. Massey Coal Co.	Coal for Courthouse and Jail	101.28
R. B. McRoy & Co.	Groceries for County Home	22.48
Town of Whiteville	Water for Courthouse	12.75
F. B. Foster	Plumbing for Jail and Courthouse	42.25
D. N. Blue & Co.	Making audit of Columbus County Funds	1083.50
Tide Water Power Co.	Lights for Jail, Courthouse & Co. Home	53.08
Durham State Auditor	Expenses of Gagy Cutler (Col.)	52.60
Memory Company	Supplies for Courthouse, Jail & Co. Home	18.00
B. W. Hammonds	Capturing still and operator & conveying Leon White and Dennis Lovett to jail	30.00
H. S. Schwartz	Lamps for Courthouse and labor	2.50
Irvin Ward	Conveying Grand Jury to Chain Gang and to different schools	14.78
Ed. Schwartz	Services as Court officer - Jan. term of Court	6.00
John W. Hall	Envelopes paid for and postage	35.69
Wade Doulass	Conveying Bill Ellis to jail from Chad.	3.05
J. L. Burney	Officer Recorder's Court for Jan. & Dec.	36.00
J. H. Yates	Conveying Goe. Stevens to Jail	3.00
News Reporter Co.	Annual Statement C. S. C. and 2000 Requisitions for Auditor	267.40
K. D. Hardee	Holding inquest over James Harden	7.50
Guy L. Bailey	Juror, inquest of James Harden	2.40
F. H. Harden.	Juror, inquest of James Harden	4.50
O. B. Norton	" " " " "	2.40
A. M. Stephens	" " " " "	4.50
J. L. Davis	" " " " "	2.40
Morrison Formyduval	" " " " "	2.40
Dr. Elliott	1 day witness, inquest of James Harden	1.40
G. C. Hinson	Registrar of Vital Statistics	41.50
W. D. Wooten	" " " " "	20.50
Tecumseh Pierce	" " " " "	29.50
W. H. Shelley	" " " " "	22.00
J. L. Lennon	" " " " "	29.00
Mrs. B. A. Marlowe	" " " " "	27.00
H. S. High	" " " " "	19.50
J. O. Maulsby	" " " " "	6.00
J. D. Strauss	" " " " "	7.00
M. F. Lowe	" " " " "	39.50
F. H. Britt	" " " " "	18.00
I. L. Green	" " " " "	18.00
J. B. Wadell	" " " " "	22.00
W. C. Stone	" " " " "	19.00
T. W. Croom	Conveying R. M. Davis from Bolton to jail	4.70
George E. Collier	Postage for January	1.50
Mrs. Gladys Wooten	26 days assisting Reg. of Deeds	52.00
Miller and Wooten, Agts.	Premium on Bond of Forney Gore, County Surveyor	10.00
John P. Gore	5 days as Court Officer Superior Court	15.00
Frank Davis	Assisting Janitor during Court week	2.50
Tourist Cafe	39 meals for Jurors with guard	29.25
Julian D. Lewis	10% on \$996.49 back taxes collected	99.65

News Reporter Co.	Supplies for C. S. C.	\$31.50
Commercial Printing Co.	Supplies for C. S. C.	52.08
J. M. Memory	Postage for the month of January	53.39
Edwards & Broughton Co.	Supplies for C. S. C.	2.86
Skiles Meat Market	Beef for County Home	1.50
H. S. Sasser	Capturing one still and operator	20.00
G. R. McNeill	Drugs for County Home and jail	11.55
J. F. Barkley, Agent	Express for Jail & freight on coal	44.94
J. F. Barkley, Agent	Freight & drayage on coal for Courthouse and Express for Auditor's office	172.85
D. F. McGougan	2 days on Board, 1 day at Chain Gang and mileage	22.70
D. W. Merritt	3 days on Board & mileage and work in Ransom Township	25.05
J. R. Blake	1 day on Board and mileage	4.30
H. G. Avant	3 days on Board, supervising roads and mileage	24.30
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	3 days on Board & mileage, 6 at Co. Home	33.25
		<u>\$5,721.78</u>

Ordered: That the Following General Road bills be allowed and paid for the month of January:

W. J. Tate	Expenses on trip to Raleigh for truck	\$25.00
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	36.00
B. B. Ward	" " " " "	30.00
James Lacewell	" " " " "	24.00
W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	55.00
A. H. Hammonds	" " " "	24.50
Willie Green	" " " "	37.80
H. C. Brown	" " " "	42.00
B. A. Marlowe	Labor on New Britton Road	34.77
L. M. Marlowe	" " " " "	19.75
D. A. Duncan	" " " " "	21.00
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor and Pireway Road	30.00
L. E. Jones	" " " " "	24.00
A. M. Stephens	" " " " "	24.00
McRay Fowler	" " " " "	36.00
P. D. White	Labor on Pireway and Whiteville Road	27.50
William McLamb	" " " " "	12.00
M. C. White	" " " " "	20.00
R. V. White	" " " " "	15.00
A. R. Coleman	" " " " "	9.00
W. J. Simmons	Gas for New Britton Road	55.02
Austin-Western Road Machinery Co.	Supplies for Pireway & Whiteville Road	17.27
J. C. Benjamin	Russel Grader for Tabor & Fair Bluff road and blades for New Britton Road	695.80
Tide Water Power Co.	Electric lights for County Garage	4.99
Standard Oil Co. Of N.J.	Gas & Oil for Tabor & Pireway and Pireway and Whiteville road	126.96
S. E. Flynn	Labor on Livingston Creek Fill	199.88
Y. N. Gore	Gas & Oil for Whiteville & Pireway road	61.22
Ocean Drive Service Station	Gas and Oil for Chad. and Tabor road	61.66
J. F. Barkley, Agent	Freight for County Garage & Pireway & Whiteville road	2.52
A. F. Jones, Agent	Freight on 2 road drags for Tabor and Pireway road	10.11
		<u>\$1,782.75</u>

Ordered: That the following Chain Gang bills be allowed and paid for the month of January:

Frank Smith	1 day operating stump puller	\$2.00
O. L. Smith	1 day for stump puller	7.50
Ed. Ward	16 Nights Guard Duty	20.64
Will Applewhite	Guard Duty	40.00
Fred Strickland	Guard Duty	40.00
Major McLamb	Team Foreman	40.00
Lasie Long	Guard Duty	10.32
W. A. Stephens	Guard Duty	11.61
H. C. Edwards	Jan. salary - Supt. of Chain Gang	125.00
Ed. Hammonds	Operating Road Machine	63.37
Alton Edwards	Operating Tractor	69.87
D. G. Long	10 bu. potatoes	7.50
Bill Hooks	1878 lbs. hay, 10 bu. pointmeal	31.12
J. W. Wilson	16 Bags potatoes @ 1.50	24.00
Miss Ada McRackan	2645 lbs. hay @ 22.50 per ton	29.75
R. B. McRoy & Co.	To balance account of last month	240.77
E. H. Hickman & Co.	Invoice of Jan. 9, 9, 12, 14, 21, Feb. 1	431.79
Germo Manf. Co.	Disinfectant for Chain Gang	60.00
Gulg Regining Co.	Invoice of Jan. 5 and 24	115.22

E. F. Craven & Co.	1 drum of M. W. Lubricant Medium	\$71.04
G. R. McNeill	Drugs for Chain Gang	16.80
Harrelson's Pharmacy	Drugs for Chain Gang	2.35
J. F. Barkley, Agent	Express and freight	9.91
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		\$1,470.56

Ordered: That the following Courthouse Bond Fund be allowed and paid for the month of January:

Bank of Whiteville	N. Y. Exchange to Hanover National Bank	
	Courthouse coupons - Feb. 1, 1914 5%	
	semiannual Interest - \$1250.00 plus 3.13	\$1253.13

On motion this meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 13, 1929.

Approved:

G. C. Ratcliffe
Clerk

D. F. McGougan
Chairman

The Honorable Board of Commissioners met in their said office according to adjournment on Wednesday, February 13, 1929. Members of the Board present were:

D. F. McGougan, Chairman
J. C. Hooks, Sr.
J. R. Blake
D. W. Merritt
H. G. Avant

G. C. Ratcliffe, Clerk

This meeting was held for the purpose of the Commissioners going over all of the County mortgages and discussing the best way of collecting same. After the Board had looked over the mortgages the following orders were passed:

Ordered: That the County Attorney be instructed to inform all mortgagors indebted to Columbus County that all interest due the Courthouse Bond Fund, Bond Interest and Redemption Fund, and the bondsmen of the Bank of Columbus who are indebted to said County, shall be paid up to date prior to October 1, 1929; that one-tenth of the principal sum due on the notes of said mortgagors be retired each year thereafter for a period of ten years, all interest to be paid annually. Ordered further, that the same order shall apply to mortgages due the Board of Education and now in the hands of the County Commissioners.

Ordered: That the bid of Columbus County on the lands of Mrs. Lillie H. Brown et als in Chadbourn township sold at the Courthouse door on September 10, 1928, be transferred by Columbus County to Jesse C. White and wife, Jennie