

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners held their regular meeting in the Commissioners' Office of the Courthouse on Monday, May 6, 1929, all members of the Board being present.

G. C. Ratcliffe, Clerk

The Board was called to order by the Chairman and the minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved, after which the Board entered into the following business:

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Bridger Corporation on \$3100.00 valuation in Western Prong Township on 1928 taxes on account of being charged through clerical error with 92 acres of land that they did not own.

Ordered: That Hugh McRae and Company be refunded the penalty ($1\frac{1}{2}\%$) on the total taxes in the various townships of Columbus County for the year 1928 on account of the fact that check covering all taxes due by Hugh McRae and Company was tendered before penalty date.

Ordered: That the matter of refunding Hugh McRae & Company taxes on 240 acres paid to County during each year from 1920 to date be deferred until the records can be investigated relative to transfer of said property or at least until the legality and status of such a refund be determined. Investigation of the records of titles and of taxes is to be made by the County Attorney and the County Auditor with their report to be submitted to the Board of Commissioners on Monday, June 3, 1929. H. G. Avant placed a motion relative to the foregoing order, his motion being seconded by J. C. Hooks, Sr.

On motion by H. G. Avant and seconded by D. W. Merritt an order was passed that County Agent Quinerly be authorized to employ some qualified person to assist him in the vaccination of hogs during the epidemic of cholera over the County; arrangement as to price and the length of time which he will be needed is to be left to the discretion of Mr. Quinerly.

A motion placed by J. R. Blake and seconded by D. W. Merritt was finally carried relative to deferring the matter of valuation on S. D. Spivey Estate property until the second Monday in July.

Ordered: That a car of culverts be purchased from the Carolina Metal Culvert Company of Salisbury, N. C., with dating as of August 1, terms 30 days, freight f.o.b. Whiteville.

The vote on the foregoing order as made by the members of the Board was as follows:

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

Ordered: That one dozen wheel-barrows equipped with steel bowls be purchased for use by the Chain Gang.

It was moved by H. G. Avant, seconded by D. W. Merritt and motion carried that a Russell Standard No. 2 Road Machine be purchased from Raleigh Tractor and Equipment Company, said machine to be equipped with a 10-foot blade. The terms of the purchase are to be a dating of August 1, freight f.o.b. Chadbourn, with price of \$670.00 for machine plus \$36.00 for 10-foot blade, making total equipment cost of \$706.00.

Ordered: That Mrs. Stanley Price be allowed \$3.00 per month from the Outdoor Poor Fund, date of first payment being as of the date of this order.

A motion made by J. R. Blake, seconded by H. G. Avant was carried relative to an investigation to be made by the County Attorney as to the legality of the Special School tax rate as imposed on Lees District No. 7, white, which rate was placed on said district on account of the closing of this school and the conveyance by truck of the students in this district to Lees No. 10.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Hattie J. West (Colored) in Whiteville Township on \$910.00 valuation for 1928, refund allowed on account of blindness.

Ordered: That D. N. Blue, Public Accountant, of Raleigh, N. C., be employed to make an audit and report in detail of the tax books for the year 1928, this being the extent of auditing to be done at the present time.

Ordered: That L. E. Jones of Tabor be given \$25.00 from the Outdoor Poor Fund as present relief.

Ordered: That Lewis Gappins, c/o Mrs. Emma Gappins, Chadbourn, N. C., be placed on the Outdoor Poor list to receive \$3.00 per month, payment to begin as of the date of this order.

Ordered: That the following General County Bills be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

Dr. Thurston Formyduval	Professional Service for W. G. Holmes	\$68.00
Thompson Memorial Hospital	Professional Service W. F. Wilson	76.60
D. L. Smith	Refund - excessive valuation	3.44
Mrs. A. C. Bullard	Refund on 1927 tax	7.80
Western Union Tel. Co.	Telegrams for Auditor's office	2.26
L. A. Hankinson	For salary up to April 15	50.00
Willie Russ	Plowing on County Home Farm	10.00
J. C. Millican	Plowing at County Home	6.87
Martha Royall	Washing at County Home	4.00
Mary Best	Scrubbing at County Home	2.00
Mrs. J. W. Phoenix	Preparing list of Automobiles	117.70
F. H. Ross & Co.	Blankets for jail	145.85
Seeman Printery, Inc.	Tax Supplies	179.86
Vineland Ice Co.	Ice for County Home	.65
Guiton's Drug Store	Drugs for County Home & Jail	8.10
Winoca Chemical Co.	Janitor's Supplies - Brooms	11.00
Miss Emiline Cleveland	April salary - Home Dem. Agt. and Nutrition expenses	67.50
Sarah J. Williams	April salary - Col. Home Dem. Agt.	25.00
Leone Winesette (Mrs.)	April salary - Stenographer ($\frac{1}{2}$ month)	25.00
J. P. Quinerly	April salary - County Agent	150.00

G. C. Ratcliffe	April salary - Auditor	\$200.00
Mae Stanley	April salary - assisting Auditor	75.00
Artemisia Smith	April salary - Supervisor Tax Books	100.00
John W. Hall	April salary - Sheriff	225.00
C. A. Farley	April salary - assisting Sheriff	100.00
J. L. Memory	April salary - C. S. C. etc.	225.00
Mary Memory	April salary - assisting C. S. C.	100.00
C. C. Russ	April salary - Welfare Officer	25.00
Ed. Schwartz	April salary - Janitor etc.	60.00
George E. Collier	April salary - Register of Deeds	200.00
Catherine Vogels	April salary - assisting Reg. of D.	100.00
E. A. Maulsby	April salary - Judge of R. Court	100.00
Julian D. Lewis	April salary - County Attorney	75.00
Edward K. Proctor	April salary - Prosecuting Co. Atty.	75.00
#117 Motor Transport Co.	April Appropriation	10.00
D. L. Gore	April salary - Tax Collector	200.00
Jasper Bowen	April salary - Keeper of Col Home	100.00
Pross Millican	April salary - Assistant Co. Home F.	30.00
Frazier Mercer Company	Groceries for County Home	10.90
Rosier Williams	Capturing Still complete	20.00
W. B. Hammond, D. S.	Capturing Still	10.00
C. A. Farley	Conveying Addie Graham to State Hospital	17.00
H. B. Bruton, D. S.	Conveyance of Gray Currie & Howard Hutchinson	4.70
City Cycle Company	Reparis for Rural Police's motorcycle	20.60
L. A. Hankinson	Conveying Lige Thompson to jail	6.95
Jasper Bowen	1200 lbs. hay for Co. Home Farm	12.00
J. L. Burney	Carpenter work etc. at Courthouse	26.44
J. A. Hartness, Sec. of St.	C. C. File 817 - fees for J.D. Lewis	2.90
G. L. Hardee	Capturing & conviction of C. P. Watts	20.00
State Hospital	Treatment etc. of W. H. Rockwell	50.00
C. W. Yates Company	Supplies for Auditor's office	9.83
R. M. Purser, Steward	Expenses of Willie Bellony and Eva McBride	29.90
Winoca Chemical Co.	one dozen brooms	11.00
Julian D. Lewis	10% commission on back taxes collected	52.73
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	Repair on adding machine A. office	.75
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight for Jail & Courthouse	4.01
Skiles Market	Groceries for County Home	10.43
W. R. McRackan	Bath Robe for County Home Inmate	4.20
R. B. McRoy & Co.	Fertilizer for Co. Home Farm	30.00
Memory Company	Supplies for jail	12.20
Memory Company	Supplies for County Home	3.60
J. L. Memory, C. S. C.	Box rent and postage for April	4.47
Mrs. W. C. Dixon	15 days assisting C. S. C.	30.00
H. B. Bruton	Conveying Pink King to jail	4.85
Town of Whiteville	Water for the month of April	27.75
Tide Water Power Company.	Lights for jail, Courthouse and mdse.	35.83
Oscar High	Supplies for jail & Co. Home	19.45
Singletary & Elkins	Groceries for County Home	5.70
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight for tax listing & jail	9.50
Jos. C. Shepard	Cups and towels for Courthouse	21.25
Western Union Tel. Co.	Telegrams for month of April	4.24
F. B. Foster	Maintenance of Courthouse building	3.75
Whiteville Tel. Co.	Tel. rent and calls for Mar. & Apr.	86.45
Dwight McEwen	Reporting 1 week Court	93.34
Julian D. Lewis	10% commission on back taxes collected	69.81
A. F. Proctor	Drayage for Courthouse & jail	2.80
Annie Mae Collier	10 days assisting Reg. of Deeds	20.00
Mrs. E. W. Wooten	26 days assisting Reg. of Deeds	52.00
J. E. Gilmore	Groceries for County Home	1.80
C. A. Farley	Conveying Mellette to St. Hospital	23.00
Mitchell Printing Co.	Supplies for C. S. C.	19.54
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The New Reporter Co.	Supplies	57.25
B. W. Hammond	Conveyance of prisoners	40.00
B. W. Hammond	Sheriff's fees - R.B. Stephens's Case	4.80
J. L. Burney	Caro of Prisoners for April	466.90
Morris Baldwin	19 days work in Tax Collector's office	57.00
Mrs. D. L. Gore	15 days work in " " "	37.50
B. W. Hammond	Conveying Godbolt to Whiteville	9.50
Ed. Schwartz	Court Officer - guarding Jury	6.00
C. A. Farley	Returning Adolphus Waddell and Wyatt from Charlotte	28.00
F. D. Martin	Conveying Willie Rockwell to Asylum in Raleigh (Insane)	20.00
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F. W. Littlejohn	Telegram about escaped prisoners	1.00
V. B. White	Officer of Grand Jury for 3 days	12.00
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	4 days on board and 42 miles	16.10
H. G. Avant	4 days on board and 44 miles	16.20

J. R. Blake	3 days on Board and 48 miles	\$12.90
D. W. Merritt	3 days on Board and 108 miles	15.90
D. F. McGougan	3 days on Board and 108 miles	15.90
J. D. Lewis & A. W. Baldwin	10% com. on land sale certificates	47.92
Martha Royall	Washing at County Home	2.00
Mary Best	1 day scrubbing at Co. Home	1.00
E. D. Millican	Labor on County Home Farm	4.42
Willie Russ	Shrubbing on Co. Home Farm	2.50
D. Davis	Cutting Wood at County Home	8.00
Willard Bowen	Hoeing corn at County Home	2.00
New York Cafe	39 meals for Jurors @ 65¢	25.35
B. B. Baldwin	2 days in Tax Department	10.00
Wiggins Drug Store	Medical Supplies for Co. Jail	1.65
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Ordered: That the following General Road bills be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

K. B. Council	1 Bosch Magneto for Co. Garage	\$20.00
L. R. Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	30.00
J. C. Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	24.00
L. E. Jones	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	36.00
F. M. Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	4.00
McRay Fowler	Ten days car hire @ 1.00	10.00
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	30.00
A. M. Stephens	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	24.00
S. B. Jacobs	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	8.00
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	36.00
R. V. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	24.00
P. D. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	22.50
M. C. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	20.00
William McLamb	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	2.00
Cager McLamb	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	2.00
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	36.00
B. B. Ward	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	30.00
James Lacewell	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	24.00
B. A. Marlowe	Labor on New Britton road	35.75
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on New Britton road	25.00
D. A. Duncan	Labor on New Britton road	21.00
W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	60.00
A. H. Hammond	Labor at County Garage	42.00
Willie Green	Labor at County Garage	42.00
H. C. Brown	Labor at County Garage	42.00
E. L. Taylor & Co., Inc.	Supplies for County Garage	27.70
Standard Oil Co. of N. J.	Oil for Chadbourn & Tabor road	47.44
Tide Water Power Company	Lights for County Garage	4.51
Hugh A. Barnes	Supplies for County Garage	334.12
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Express for County Garage	4.52
W. J. Tate	Expense going to different roads	20.78
Ocean Drive Service Station	Gas and Oil for Chad. & Tabor road	47.10
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	36.00
B. B. Ward	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	30.00
James Lacewell	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	24.00
W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	59.00
A. H. Hammond	Labor at County Garage	42.00
Willie Green	Labor at County Garage	41.30
H. C. Brown	Labor at County Garage	42.00
C. A. Page	Labor at County Garage	18.00
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	30.00
A. M. Stephens	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	24.00
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Fair Bluff road	36.00
L. R. Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	36.00
J. C. Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	22.50
F. M. Fowler	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	22.00
J. B. Stephens	Labor on Tabor & Pireway road	8.00
B. A. Marlowe	Labor on New Britton road	35.70
D. A. Duncan	Labor on New Britton road	19.00
Alex Evans	Labor on New Britton road	14.00
R. V. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	15.00
P. D. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	25.00
M. C. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	20.00
William McLamb	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	8.00
W. B. Long	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	2.00

Ordered: That the following County Chain Gang bills be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

Thompson Hardware Co.	Nails and bolts	\$21.69
Guiton's Drug Store	Drugs for Chain Gang	3.70
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight for Chain Gang	11.35
Bill Hooks	3110 lbs. hay @ 22.50	34.99
J. M. Soles	2113 lbs. hay @ 27.00	28.53
Lasie Long	21 nights guard duty	27.09
Alton Edwards	24 days operating tractor	78.00
Ed. Hammonds	23 days operating Road Machine	74.75
H. C. Edwards	Superintendent's salary for April	125.00
S. P. Long	Filing two saws	.75
Charlie Powers	16 nights guard duty	20.64
G. B. Jenerette	7 nights guard duty	9.03
Fred Strickland	30 days guard duty	40.00
R. R. Turbeville	30 days guard duty	40.00
Ed. Schwartz	Reward capturing Wyatt Strickland	25.00
Mager McLamb	30 days team foreman	40.00
E. H. Hickman	Groceries and supplies	608.51
Ripple Lumber Co.	Lumber	60.82
D. J. Cox	10 bushels of corn meal	12.50
Furney Long	Supplies	20.25
L. S. Brown	Clothing for Chain Gang	300.00
Standard Oil Co. of N. J.	Gas	200.90
Austin-Western Road Machinery Company	Supplies for road machine	33.95
W. J. Tate	448 hrs. labor (GMC)	33.60
Gulf Refining Company	1 drum supreme extra heavy oil	28.34
E. M. Strickland	4091 lbs. hay @ 20.00 per ton	40.91
M. A. Ward	144 lbs. corn meal	3.75
F. W. Littlejohn	Reward for escaped convict	25.00

Ordered: That the following Bond Interest and Sinking Fund Voucher be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

Bank of Whiteville	N. Y. Exchange to Chase National Bank	\$6021.26
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Ordered: That the following Outdoor Poor vouchers be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

Total of Outdoor Poor Vouchers for April	\$420.50
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Ordered: That the following Jury tickets be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

Total Jury tickets for April	\$13.00
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Ordered: That the following Insolvent Fees be allowed and paid for the month of April, 1929:

Total Insolvent Fees for April	\$42.97
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The entirety of the day having been taken up in the transaction of the foregoing business, the meeting of the Board was adjourned at 6:30 P. M. until the morning of Tuesday, May 7, 1929.

G. C. Patchiffe
Clerk

Approved:

D. J. McFarman
Chairman