

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office December 7, 1931, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present were:

J. C. Hooks, Sr., Chairman

J. R. Blake

D. W. Merritt

R. C. Benton

Absent: C. D. Garrell

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

Minutes of last meeting being read and approved, the following business was transacted:

Ordered: That Selma Ellis be allowed \$3.00 present relief and \$3.00 per month.

Ordered: That E. P. White be allowed \$1.00 present relief and his allowance be increased to \$3.50 per month.

Ordered: That W. H. Lambert, Whiteville, N. C. Rt. 2, be allowed \$3.00 present relief and \$3.00 per month.

Ordered: That B. C. Carter be admitted to the County Home.

Ordered: That A. J. Pridgen be allowed \$2.00 present relief and \$2.00 per month.

Ordered: That Arch Smith be allowed \$4.00 present relief and \$4.00 per month.

Ordered: That Mrs. Katie Postum be allowed \$5.00 present relief and \$5.00 per month for three months.

Ordered: That Jack Jones be allowed \$2.00 per month for three months.

Ordered: That J. R. Blake and C. D. Garrell be appointed as a committee of two to meet December 14th with the Clerk of Superior Court and investigate the records in said Clerk's office.

Ordered: That J. L. Memory, Clerk of Superior Court, annual report be received and advertised in the News Reporter.

Ordered: That B. L. Daniel be notified that his land is valued in line with adjoining property, and that he be notified to meet Board next June when Board of Appraisers meet.

Ordered: That the Wilmington Savings & Trust Company of Wilmington, N. C. be authorized to turn over and release one \$10,000.00 note of Columbus County, now in its possession and there deposited by North Carolina Bank & Trust Company as security for deposits of Columbus County in North Carolina Bank & Trust Company, and held subject to the order of Columbus County.

It is further ordered, that said exchange be made upon a certified copy of this resolution duly signed by the Chairman and certified to by the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, and a copy of same being sent to the said Wilmington Savings & Trust Company.

Whereas, certain citizens of South Williams Township have requested the Board of County Commissioners to recommend the taking over and maintaining of a certain road in said township by the State Highway Commission; and

Whereas, it appears that the said road which it is desired by said citizens that the Highway Commission take over is 1.7 miles of road known as Ten Mile Hill road leading from Clarendon and Tabor road at railroad crossing about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles South of Clarendon to Route No. 23 at G. M. Jolly's home place, said road being used as a mail route and school busses.

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that the State Highway Commission be and it is hereby requested that said road be added to the State Highway System and maintained; and

Be it further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Highway Commission in Raleigh and a copy recorded on the minutes of this Board.

Whereas, certain citizens of South Williams Township have made a request of the Board of County Commissioners that the State Highway Commission be asked to take over and maintain a road in said township beginning at a point in Bug Hill township on the Tabor- Pieway Highway, near Dan Cox's home place, leading about a Northerly direction to the road known as the Sandy Plain road, a distance of about two miles; and

Whereas, said road in a school bus line and is important and often used by the people of that vicinity, and was formerly maintained by the County highway system.

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that the State Highway Commission be requested to take over and maintain said road if such is deemed expedient by said Commission.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Highway Commission and a copy recorded on the minutes of this Board.

Whereas, certain residents and citizens of Columbus County have requested the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County to petition the State Highway Commission to take over and maintain a road in Williams Township beginning at a point at Will Joyner's home place and runs to the Chadbourn-Tabor highway at the B. F. Williams home place a distance of about 1 mile; and

Whereas, said road is important in that it traversed daily by the public, is used as a mail route and school bus; and said road has been maintained for several years by the County Highway System prior to the taking of the roads over by the State;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of County Commissioners request the State Highway Commission to take over and maintain said road.

Be it further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Highway Commission at Raleigh, and a copy recorded on the minutes of this Board.

Whereas, it appears that there is a road in Williams Township which was formerly maintained by the County for the past ten or twelve years, said road leading from the Fair Bluff-Clarendon road about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile East of Clarendon and leading by W. H. Prince and H. C. Hunt places to the Tabor and Chadbourn highway South of Gum Swamp, a distance of about 1 mile; and

Whereas, said road is important in that it is used by school busses and is used as a mail route; and

Whereas, the residents of that locality are desirous of the State Highway Commission taking over and maintaining said road;

Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that the State Highway Commission be requested to take over and maintain said road; and

Be it further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded the State Highway Commission in Raleigh and a copy recorded on the minutes of this Board.

Resolution

Ordered: That the following resolution be recorded relative to borrowing Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for General School purposes:

BE IT ORDERED by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that four notes of the County of Columbus be executed in the

aggregate amount of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00), to be in denominations of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) each, dated December 16, 1931, maturing ninety days after date, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, interest payable at maturity, both principal and interest payable to BEARER at the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, of the City of Whiteville, North Carolina, in anticipation of 1931 taxes, and that said note be sold or hypothecated, and the proceeds thereof turned into the General Fund of said County of Columbus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the full faith and credit of the County of Columbus be pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said notes at maturity.

4 Notes in the sum of \$5000.00 each drawn as follows:

NOTE

\$5,000.00

December 16, 1931

Ninety days after date the County of Columbus for value received promises to pay to the BEARER hereof at Waccamaw Bank & Trust Company in the City of Whiteville, N. C., the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), with interest from date at the rate of six per cent.

This note is issued in pursuance of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County on the 7th day of December, 1931, and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk of said Board as required by Law.

It is hereby certified and recited that each and every act, condition and thing required to be done, to have happened and to be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this note, has been done, has happened, and has been performed in full and strict compliance with the Constitution and Laws of the State of North Carolina, and this note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by Law, and the faith and credit of the County of Columbus are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest of this note according to its terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the County of Columbus has caused its corporate name to be signed hereto by the Chairman of its Board of County Commissioners and the corporate seal to be hereto affixed and attested by the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, this December 16, 1931.

Ordered: That the sum of \$7763.29 be received by the County Accountant and Auditor from J. L. Memory, Clerk of the Superior Court, the said amount being all the money due the County by said Clerk in the matter of the State against G. C. Ratcliffe, the said sum being \$7500.00 principal, posted as cash bond in the said case, and \$263.29 being

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interest on said amount.

Ordered: That J. C. and J. R. Williamson be allowed to sell timber on a 90 acre tract of land listed for taxes by them in Chad-bourn Township, and turn 75% of the proceeds from such sale over to the County, and retain 25% as their own. It is understood that J. H. Horne is to pay \$4.25 per thousand stumpage, and the timber is to be delivered by said Horne to Thomason-Ripple Lumber Company. The said lumber company will pay its check of 75% to Columbus County, and pay its check of 25% to the said J. C. & J. R. Williamson. It is understood that there will be a total paid by the said lumber company for the stumpage of approximately \$1200.00.

Ordered: That a previous order permitting F. M. Smith to sell fireworks in the Town of Whiteville by paying a privilege tax of \$25.00 be rescinded.

Ordered: That \$20,000.00 note of Columbus County maturing in six months be offered for sale for School purposes at the office of the Local Government Commission in Raleigh, N. C., the said sale to take place as soon as the requirements of the law are performed.

Ordered: That Arthur D. Gore in Williams Township be given a refund on poll tax on account of error in listing.

Ordered: That Tide Water Power Company in Fair Bluff Township be refunded on \$2575.00 valuation for the year 1931 on account of being double listed.

Ordered: That W. G. Prevatte in Whiteville Township be refunded on \$500.00 valuation for the year 1931 on account of valuation being reduced on Geo. Inman land.

Ordered: That Dallas Cameron in Waccamaw Township be refunded poll tax for the year 1931 on account of his living in Duplin County.

Ordered: That Miss D. O. Cox be refunded on \$250.00 valuation for the year 1931 reducing valuation.

Ordered: That L. R. Hobbs in Ransom Township be refunded on \$500.00 for the year 1931 on account of reduction of valuation by Board.

Ordered: That Dow Gore in Williams Township be refunded poll tax for 1931 on account of paying poll tax in Stanley County.

Ordered: That Noah Penny in Welches Creek be refunded Special School tax for the year 1930 on account of his not living in a special school district.

Ordered: That Noah Penny in Welches Creek be refunded Special School tax and \$1.00 dog tax for the year 1931 on account of his not living in a special school district and has no dog.

Ordered: That Henry Sellars be refunded 1931 poll tax on account of his being too old to pay poll tax.

Ordered: That S. W. Pierce in Bogue Township be refunded \$1.00 dog tax for 1931 on account of being listed as female when should have been male.

Ordered: That George Davis be refunded on \$800.00 valuation for the year 1931 on account of house being burned.

Ordered: That William A. Spaulding in Welches Creek Township be refunded \$1.00 dog tax for 1931 on account of error in listing.

Ordered: That the following bills be allowed and paid:

A. W. Baldwin,	Cash paid out of Petty Cash Fund	\$86.07
Miss Emiline Cleveland	Nov. salary & nutrition expense	61.25
Sarah J. Williams	Nov. salary-Col. Home Dem. Agt.	25.00
Leona C. Winesett	Nov. salary-Stenographer	35.00
J. P. Quinerly	Nov. salary-County Agent	150.00
A. W. Baldwin	Nov. salary-Auditor	175.00
Mae S. Rocks	Nov. salary-assisting Auditor	100.00
John W. Hall	Nov. salary-Sheriff	225.00
C. A. Farley	Nov. salary-assisting Sheriff	100.00
J. L. Memory	Nov. salary-C. S. C., etc.	225.00
Mary Memory	Nov. salary-assisting C. S. C.	100.00
Ed. Schwartz	Nov. salary-Janitor, Etc.	60.00
Geo. E. Collier	Nov. salary-Reg. of Deeds	200.00
Rachel Cook	Nov. salary-assisting Reg. of Deeds	100.00
E. A. Maultsby	Nov. salary-Judge, Recorder's Court	75.00
Julian D. Lewis	Nov. salary-County Attorney	75.00
Jackson Greer	Nov. salary-Pros. County Atty.	75.00
R. F. Covington	Nov. salary-Tax Supervisor	150.00
Jasper Bowen	Nov. salary-Keeper of Co. Home	75.00
D. L. Gore	Nov. salary-Tax Collector	175.00
#117 Motor Transport Co.	November Appropriation	10.00
Dept. State Auditor	Care of indigent pupils	90.98
Wilmington Stamp & Ptg. Co.	Envelopes for Tax Collector	57.63
F. D. Martin	Juror, inquest Erah Thompson	3.00
Willie Hammond	Juror, inquest Erah Thompson	3.00
J. G. Inman	Juror, inquest Erah Thompson	3.00
E. L. Spivey	Juror, inquest Erah Thompson	3.00
Marvin Stanley	Juror, inquest Erah Thompson	3.00
J. B. Blackman	Juror, inquest Erah Thompson	3.00
W. H. McMillan	Holding inquest Erah Thompson	5.00
Oscar High	Supplies for County Home & Courthouse	15.70
Department of Revenue	License for Home Dem. Agt. car	1.00
Tide Water Power Co.	Lights for November	54.16
Capital City Casket Co.	Caskets for County Home	250.00
Jos. C. Shepard	Supplies for Court House	16.75
Western Union Telg. Co.	Telegrams during November	1.30
W.F. Cox Furniture Co.	Supplies for Court House	23.15
D. N. Blue & Co.	Making Tax Audit	320.00
Walker, Evans & C. Co.	1 civil cost docket for C. S. C.	45.29
News Reporter Co.	Supplies	47.25
Dept. Cons. & Devp.	Forestry Expenditures	105.74
Waccamaw Lumber Co.	Material to Make Coffin & box	4.92
Burkhead-Devane Ptg. Co.	1 docket for C. S. C.	47.86

A. W. Baldwin	Trip to Wilmington re County Notes	\$8.00
Garrell Brothers	Supplies for County Home	20.30
Hyman Supply Co.	Supplies for Court House	12.60
Thomason & Ripple Lmbr. Co.	Lumber for Tax Collector's office	13.29
Local Government Commission	Ins. & Po. on 2 notes	5.65
Edwards & Broughton Co.	Supplies for C. S. C.	62.24
J. L. Memory	Postage for C. S. C.	3.37
Town of Whiteville	Water for Court House	33.50
Schulken Brothers	Supplies	10.40
C. A. Farley	Expense re Harvey Cato	99.30
L. P. Blackman	Conveying Prisoners	25.05
James Norment	Conveying Prisoners	25.60
H. B. Bruton	Conveying Prisoners	4.70
J. M. Hinson	Conveying Prisoners	11.10
O. D. Clewis	Conveying Prisoners	11.55
Willard Bowen	Barbering 9 men at County Home	3.00
Horace Johnson	Picking peas at Co. Home	1.25
E. L. Watts	Conveying Roland Watts	4.40
Mitchell Printing Co.	Supplies for Reg. of Deeds	12.57
J. M. Hinson	Capturing 2 complete stills	20.00
Horace Shaw	Court Officer, etc.	11.25
Ella Hilburn	Washing & scrubbing at Co. Home	9.00
W. J. Tate	Work at McRackan House	17.50
Julian D. Lewis	10% com. on L.S.C. collected	557.86
Horace Shaw	Conveying Lonnie Owens to Hospital	8.00
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight for Court House	1.55
C. A. Farley	Support of Jail	342.70
Jno. P. Gore	11 days Superior Court Officer	33.00
Handy Hardware House	Supplies	9.42
Audell Black	Grinding corn for County Home	.70
J. T. McKenzie & Co.	Supplies for Jail & County Home	75.00
J. A. Baldwin, Agt.	Premium on Policies	95.98
Dwight McEwen	Reporting two weeks Civil Court	222.68
Morris Baldwin	6 days helping Tax Collector	15.00
J. H. Piggott	Conveying Archie White to Jail	4.55
McNeill's Drug Store	Drugs for County Home and Jail	16.25
Mrs. Lina Horne	Typing Land sale record	25.00
Vineland Ice Co.	Ice for Tax Department	1.20
R. B. McRoy and Company	Supplies for County Home	36.05
Frank Davis	Assisting Janitor	5.50
O. D. Clewis	Capturing one still	10.00
Columbus County News	Com. sale of land etc.	23.85
News Reporter Co.	Com. sale of land	28.25
O. D. Clewis	Capturing one still	10.00
Gulf Refining Company	Refund on Schedule "B" tax	7.50
Mrs. W. R. Davis	Veterans Christmas Boxes	50.00
Mrs. W. H. Powell	Syrup for County Home	6.00
D. W. Merritt	2 days on Board and mileage	10.60
R. C. Benton	2 days on Board and mileage	9.80
J. R. Blake	2 days on Board and mileage	8.60
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	4 days on Board and mileage	17.80
Columbus Telephone Co.	Telephone rent & Long Distance Calls	37.40
Outside Poor	Paid during November on 12/7/31	341.00
Jury Tickets		465.10
Insolvent Tickets		66.02

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until Monday, December 14, 1931.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin
Clerk

J. C. Hooks, Sr.
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office December 14, 1931, according to adjournment. Members of the Board present were:

J. C. Hooks, Sr., Chairman
J. R. Blake
D. W. Merritt
R. C. Benton

Absent: C. D. Garrell

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk