

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office January 7th, 1935, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present:

R. C. Benton, Chairman

C. A. Small

H. G. Avant

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

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

Ordered: that the Tax Collector be authorized and instructed to collect from pressing clubs, \$12.50 for residents of this County and \$50.00 from non-residents.

J. B. Stephens, Constable of South Williams Township, tendered his bond in the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars with Wright Fowler and McRoy Fowler as sureties, approved, accepted, and ordered recorded, all Commissioners being present and voting therefor.

Ordered: that order passed December 27th 1934 closing Tax Supervisor office from January 1st to March 1st be rescinded and that G. G. Carmichael be appointed Tax Supervisor at \$90.00 per month.

Ordered: that Mose Pessum be allowed \$2.00 present relief and \$2.00 per month.

Ordered: that twenty five cents (\$.25) per day be paid for treatment in a T. B. Hospital for treatment of Louise Faulk until further ordered.

Ordered: that B. F. and L. C. Batten be allowed to pay 1930-1931, and 1932 taxes on 43 acres tract of land in Bogue Township listed in the name of E. S. Nance.

Ordered: that George Blackwell, Cerro Gordo, N. C., be allowed \$2.00 present relief and \$2.00 per month.

Ordered: that Co operative Health work vouchers be countersigned.

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

Whereas, said road which it is desired by said citizens that the State Highway Commission take over and maintain is a road beginning on Route # 23 at or near the Henry Tyre place and leading westward towards the Peacock road; and,

Whereas, this road is badly in need of repairs, especially the bridges on same:

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 to take over and maintain said road; and,

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

Whereas, certain citizens of Bug Hill Township and Columbus County have petitioned the Board of Commissioners to recommend that the State Highway Commission take over and maintain a certain road in said Township; and,

Whereas, said road is a road lying and being situate in Bug Hill Township beginning at Old Fireway Township and running in an easterly direction about one and one-fourth miles to Waccamaw River where it connects with a road in Brunswick County known as the Regan road:

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners that the State Highway Commission be and it is hereby requested to take over and maintain said road; and,

Be it further resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Highway Commission in Raleigh and a copy be recorded on the Minutes of this Board.

Ordered: that contract with Dwight McEwen, Court Stenographer, dated December 17th, 1934 be signed by the Chairman, a copy be mailed to said McEwen, and the original recorded on the Minutes of this Board.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 17th day of December, 1934, by and between Dwight McEwen, of the City of Wilmington, New Hanover County, and State of North Carolina, party of the first part; and the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, said State, party of the second part,  
WITNESSETH:\*

That, Whereas, said party of the second part is desirous of securing the services of a good and competent stenographer to serve as, and to do

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the work of, Court Stenographer in the County of Columbus,  
from the 17th day of December, 1934, until the 30th day of December, 1935;

And, whereas, the said party of the first part has, for a number of years held such position, and is of the opinion that he can do the work required by said party of the second part of the Court Stenographer for Columbus County, in the manner equally as satisfactory to the said party of the second part as heretofore;

Now, Therefore, for and in consideration of the premises and for the purpose aforesaid, said party of the first part and said party of the second part agree, and do hereby agree and bind himself and itself as follows:

1. The said Dwight McEwen, party of the first part, agrees to report all terms of the Superior Court, both civil and criminal, both regular, and special, which may be held in the County of Columbus from the 17th day of December 1934, until the 30th day of December, 1935, and to make, and retain in his office, subject to the demand of the Solicitor of, or the Judge presiding in, the Eighth Judicial District, one copy of transcript of all appeal cases; it being distinctly understood and agreed by both parties hereto, however, that nothing contained herein shall be construed to mean that the party of the first part shall furnish, or be required to furnish, such copy of transcript, or any original transcript, for the use and benefit of either Counsel or their clients unless and until such copy, or original, shall have been paid for at the regular prevailing rate; and the party of the first part agrees to report<sup>and</sup> transcribe said notes when requested by the Solicitor, Judge presiding, or Counsel, in a neat, satisfactory and prompt manner, and subject at any and all times to the inspection by, and approval, or disapproval of, said party of the second part; said party of the first part agrees to do all of said work in the manner aforesaid, at his own expense, including his own transportation and board, for the sum of Seventy Five (\$75.00) Dollars per week for each regularly calendared or special term of Court held, with the distinct understanding and agreement that the party of the first part shall receive nothing for any regularly calendared weeks of Court not held, except that it is distinctly understood that if any part of a week shall be consumed by Court and the same shall be, for the purpose of this contract, construed to mean a week, so long as the party of the first part performs and does the work as, and in the manner, he has agreed to do, until the 30th day of December, 1935.

2. The party of the second part, upon condition that the said party of the first part shall at all times faithfully keep and perform each and all of the covenants and agreements just hereinbefore recited, and by said party of the first part herein made, agrees to pay to said party of the first part the sum of Seventy Five (\$75.00) Dollars per week for each week, or part thereof, of regularly calendared Court, or Special Court, which may be held so long as said work and services are done and completed according to his agreement; it being mutually understood and agreed that for any week

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upon which Court is not actually held at all, the party of the first part shall be entitled to no payment whatever.

It is distinctly understood and agreed between the parties hereto that should said party of the first part, at any time, fail to fulfill, keep and perform any of the covenants and agreements by him herein made, then, and in that event, the party of the second part shall have the authority to declare this contract null and void, and should the party of the first part, at any time, because of sickness, or any other reason, be unable to discharge the duties hereinbefore set out, he shall provide a thoroughly and competent substitute in the event he should fail to provide such substitute, then, substitute at his own expense, and in that event, the party of the second part is authorized and empowered by the party of the first part to secure the services of another stenographer to do and perform the work and services hereinbefore mentioned, and to pay such stenographer out of any money or monies that may be due, or which may become due, to said party of the first part under and by virtue of this agreement.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals, the day and year first hereinbefore written.

Witness:

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

Attest:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS CO.  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

Clerk

J. L. Joyner, Constable of Cerro Gordo Township, tendered his bond in the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, with Moody, P. K., & Emma Strickland as sureties, approved, accepted, and ordered recorded, all Commissioners being present and voting therefor.

Ordered: that D. G. Nance tax valuations be refunded and corrected as follows:

Tatum Township

256 acres reduced from \$4400 to \$2650 for 1924  
256 " " " \$2650 to \$1650 for 1927 to 1934 inclusive

Cerro Gordo Township

110 acres reduced from \$4000 to \$2500  
100 " " " \$6000 to \$5000  
42 " " " \$2400 to \$2400 for 1927 to 1930 inclusive  
42 " " " \$2400 to \$ 500 for 1931 to 1934 inclusive  
186 1/2 " " " \$5900 to \$4988

These corrections were ordered by a former Board but no record was made is reason for this now. It is also ordered that 1932 tax certificates be cancelled.

36 acres in Chadbourn for \$12.60  
70 acres in Cerro Gordo \$17.56  
256 acres in Tatum \$34.70  
36 acres in Chadbourn \$18.34 - listed twice in 1930

It is also ordered that D. G. Nance be allowed to make note for balance due on his 1931 and prior years taxes, as he paid his 1932 taxes and was entitled to make note but failed to do so until his valuations were adjusted.

Ordered: that the following General County bills be allowed

and paid:

H. L. Shaw Jr.	Washing for Jail for December	\$ 1.00
Vineland Market Company	Stew for County Home	1.80
Garrell Brothers	Supplies for County Home	113.06
Waitus Green	Difference in trade of cow	25.00
Inman's Fruit Store	Fruit for County Home	5.70
Leder Brothers	Supplies for County Home, etc.	40.37
C. A. Farley, Jailor	December support of Jail	612.35
Mrs. Sadie Mayers	2 days helping C. S. C. @\$2.25	20.25
Jackson Greer Jr.	Taking evidence at inquest	5.00
Columbus Telephone Company	December phone rent	29.50
117th Motor Transport Co.	December appropriation	10.00
Lloyd Collier	Clock repairs	3.00
Mitchell Printing Co.	Supplies for Reg. of Deeds	179.05
Tide Water Power Co.	Lights for Court House, etc.	72.88
Town of Whiteville	Water bill for December	33.25
Horace Lawson	Shaves and haircuts for County Home	3.33
Pine-No-Ca Chemical Co.	Disinfectants for Court House, etc.	13.67
McDanile-Boice Ins. Co.	Renewal of bond of A. W. Baldwin	50.00
Commercial Printing Co.	Supplies for Reg. of Deeds	47.34
Columbus Motor Co.	Roofing for Court House	131.00
P. & F. Motor Express Co.	Express for Court House, etc.	1.49
J. T. McKenzie & Co.	Cot pad for County Home	4.00
F. B. Richardson	Various inquests and investigations	32.30
Columbus Telephone Co.	Calls for Court House	10.45
News Reporter Co.	Supplies for Court House	103.05
Burkhead-DeVane Printing Co.	Supplies for Reg. of Deeds, etc.	156.60
A. F. Proctor	Hauling freight to Court House	3.50
C. A. Farley, Jailor	Care of Hattie Bordeaux, insane	12.60
J. F. Barkley, Agent	Express for Court House	1.76
Schulken Brothers	Supplies for Court House, etc.	30.52
Boyd Benton	Work at County Home	2.50
F. B. Foster	Plumbing at Jail and Court House	40.15
Olive Geddie	10 days assisting Auditor @ \$2.25	22.50
J. M. Hinson	Conveying prisoners and insane	3.50
C. T. Hargrove	Conveying prisoners	13.10
Julian D. Lewis, Attorney	Commission on taxes collected	215.74
American Disinfecting Co.	Disinfectants for Court House	112.94
Charlie Baldwin	2 days work on boiler grate	2.50
H. H. Horton	Repairing lights at Court House, etc.	10.00
Handy Hardware House	Supplies for Court House, etc.	4.23
McNeill's Drug Store	Medicine for County Home and Jail	17.60
J. M. Hinson	Serving tax summons and complaints	32.70
C. A. Farley	Serving tax summons and complaints	119.40
C. T. Hargrove	Serving tax summons and complaints	61.80
Bud Stephens	Serving tax summons and complaints	40.50
C. T. Whaley	Serving tax summons and complaints	.30
Ed Schwartz	Serving tax summons and complaints	1.50
J. L. Joyner	Serving tax summons and complaints	17.40
W. R. Croom	Serving tax summons and complaints	1.50
W. R. Cowan	Serving tax summons and complaints	48.90
E. L. Watts	Serving tax summons and complaints	41.80
L. P. Blackman	Serving tax summons and complaints	41.10
E. L. Watts	Conveying prisoners	3.00
C. A. Farley	Investigating robbery	15.00
L. P. Blackman	Capturing still and operator	14.70
David Smith, P. M.	Envelopes for C. S. C.	69.99
J. N. Coburn, Agent	Premium on bond of R. J. Lamb, T. C.	223.55
R. C. Benton	1 day on Board, 1 day Com. work, etc.	9.80
H. G. Avant	3 days on Board, 1 day Com. work, etc.	16.90
C. A. Small	3 days on Board and mileage	16.50

Ordered: that the following refunds be granted:

Clarence Duncan	1934	Error in listing Polls	2.00
Edward Prewett	1934	Error in listing valuation	1.48
A. S. Fields	1934	Reducing valuation	25.00
Paul Young	1934	Error in listing age	2.00
J. R. Summerland	1934	Error in listing automobile	2.86

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until January 21st, 1935.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin  
Clerk

R. C. Benton  
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office January 21st, 1935 according to adjournment. Members of the Board present:

- R. C. Benton, Chairman
- C. A. Small
- H. G. Avant

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

The following business was transacted.

Ordered: that J. L. Memory Clerk Superior Court annual report be received and advertised.

Whereas, Mr. D. N. Blue, Auditor, states to the Board of County Commissioners that he can not audit the account of J. L. Memory, Clerk Superior Court of Columbus County, without the paid checks issued by said Clerk;

It is therefore ordered that J. L. Memory, Clerk Superior Court as aforesaid deliver to Mr. D. N. Blue, Auditor, his paid checks from December 31st, 1930 to December 3rd, 1934.

It is further ordered that A. W. Baldwin, County Auditor, deliver to Mr. Memory, a copy of this order.

Ordered: that the following refunds be granted:

Will Jordan	1933 tax	Error in listing	\$ 6.33
J. H. Jenrette	1934 tax	Error in listing	2.00
A. C. Godwin	1934 tax	Error in listing	2.00
E. B. Williamson	1934 tax	Error in listing	2.00
W. F. Cox	1933 tax	Error in listing -	41.80
Earl Fowler	1933 tax	Error in listing	1.14
J. D. Elkins	1933 tax	Error in listing	11.88
Ethel Hood	1934 tax	Error in listing	1.35
J. G. Barnes	1934 tax	Error in listing Polls	2.00
B. R. Walker	1933 tax	Error in listing	22.57
Ottis Lanier	1934 tax	Error in listing	2.45
H. Earley Reynolds	1933 tax	Error in listing	7.92
Lockie & Lillie Byrd	1934 tax	Error in listing	0.49
C. H. Walker	1933 tax	Error in listing	13.05
Geo. King et al	1933 tax	Error in listing	26.40
Will Jordan	1934 tax	Error in listing	11.00
G. W. Stanley	1933 tax	Error in listing	2.00

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