

1936 and 1937 land sales certificates in the Tax Collector's office at a price of \$300.00.

Ordered: that no visitors be allowed at County Home without obtaining permission from County Home Superintendent, and if the Superintendent finds it ~~necessary~~ necessary to take legal steps to enforce this request, he is ordered to do so.

Ordered: that the following refund be granted:

Mada Boswell	1935 tax Board allowing 1/2 court cost	\$3.00
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Ordered: that the following General County bills be allowed and paid:

P. H. Squires	To serving tax summons	\$42.50
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There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until September 28th, 1938.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin
Clerk

H. G. Avant
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office September 28th, 1938, according to adjournment. Members of the Board present:

H. G. Avant, Chairman

R. C. Benton

W. L. Hobbs

W. M. Stephens

Z. V. Williamson

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

The following business was transacted.

Ordered: that Seth L. Smith be allowed to pay 1932 and prior years taxes at par and \$3.00 court cost on D. E. Tyler and Albert Jackson land.

Ordered: that Stilton Fowler be allowed to pay 1938 and prior years taxes due on 45 acres tract of land in Williams Township at \$800.00 valuation at par and \$3.00 court cost in settlement of taxes charged from 1931 to 1938 inclusive.

Ordered: that Mrs. Gattie Rogers' 1924 to 1936 inclusive valuation on 73 1/2 acres of land be fixed at \$2,000.00.

NORTH CAROLINA
COLUMBUS COUNTY

THIS AGREEMENT made this 6th day of November, 1939, by and between Columbus County and C. A. Small, H. G. Avant, R. C. Benton, W. L. Hobbs, Grover C. Hinson, Commissioners of Columbus County, parties of the first part, and the Columbus County Hospital, Incorporated, party of the second part.

WITNESSETH: That the party of the first part in consideration of the party of the second part agreeing to operate the hospital upon the property hereinafter described and to pay into the treasury of Columbus County any and all profits that may arise from such operation, after paying for improvements & addition and in further consideration of one dollar to them in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby bargains, leases and grants to the party of the second part, without power of assignment, for the period of fifteen years from the first day of December, 1939, the following described property, real and personal, in the County of Columbus, State of North Carolina, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land situate in the town of Whiteville, at the intersection of Thompson Street with Jefferson Street in said town, and acquired by Columbus County by purchase from W. E. Miller and others and fully described in a deed from said Miller to the County of Columbus, together with all buildings, equipment and appliances connected with or used in connection with the hospital and nurses home situate thereon, said equipment consisting of all personal property belonging to Columbus County now located on said property or used in connection therewith, as well as all equipment, instruments and other personal property that may be furnished by the parties of the first part for the full equipment of said hospital property and useful and necessary for the proper operation thereof for hospital purposes.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and property to the said party of the second part without right of assignment for the aforesaid period, and upon the conditions hereinbefore recited and with the further condition that this contract or rental shall terminate upon the party of the second part failing, or refusing to begin the operation of said hospital within a reasonable time, or if the same shall be discontinued in its operation for an unreasonable time.

The lessor agrees that the lessee shall enjoy said premises during said term free from the adverse claims of any person and to keep the premises in good repair and supplied with sufficient equipment for the successful operation of a hospital for the care and treatment of proper cases for hospitalization for the citizens of Columbus County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the commissioners of Columbus County, pursuant to an order duly entered of record at a regular meeting of the Commissioners of Columbus County on the 6th day of November 1939 duly authorizing the chairman of the Board of Secretary to execute this lease in the name of the county, the Chairman of said Board and Secretary have this 6th day of November, 1939, caused the name of Columbus County to be affixed hereto and witnessed by the secretary of the Board and the seal of the County, and attested by the signature of the chairman of said Board, all in pursuance to said order and on said date.

Witness:
A. W. Baldwin

(LS)

Columbus County
By W. L. Hobbs
Chairman

(SEAL)
(SEAL)

NORTH CAROLINA
COLUMBUS COUNTY

This 29th day of January 1940, personally came before me, D. L. Gore, Clerk Superior Court of Columbus County, A. W. Baldwin, who being ^{personally} duly sworn, says that he knows the official seal of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and is acquainted with W. L. Hobbs, who is Chairman of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and that he, the said A. W. Baldwin, is the Secretary of the said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and saw the said Chairman sign the foregoing instrument, and saw the said official seal of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County affixed to said instrument by the said Chairman, and that he, the said A. W. Baldwin signed his name in attestation of the execution of the

said instrument in the presence of said Chairman of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, all by order of said Board. Let the instrument, with the certificate be registered.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 29th day of January, 1940.

D. L. Gore
Clerk Superior Court.

Filed for record Jan. 29th, 1940 at 12:00 o'clock,
and recorded and verified Feb. 2, 1940.

Lee L. Fisher,
Register of Deeds.

NORTH CAROLINA
COLUMBUS COUNTY.

I, Lee L. Fisher, Register of Deeds for the aforesaid County and State, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an exact copy of Lease Agreement, as recorded in Book 157, Page 39, Records of Columbus County.

Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of Jan. 1949.

Lee L. Fisher
Register of Deeds.

DEPENDANT'S EXHIBIT "A"

WHEREAS: The County of Columbus having such a large area, and a population of 43,000 citizens.

AND WHEREAS: It is the duty of said County of Columbus to take care of its indigent Sick and Afflicted Poor, and the general welfare, and health of its number of citizens, incapable of taking care of themselves.

AND WHEREAS: The said County of Columbus, has no facilities or accommodations for its said ~~stark~~ indigent sick and afflicted poor,

AND WHEREAS: It is necessary for said County to pay out each year a large sum of money, to out-of-the County institutions for the care of said class of people.

AND WHEREAS: There is no Hospital or other means of taking care of its said indigent sick and afflicted poor within said County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners, of Columbus County, go on record as finding as a fact that the erection and equipping of a building to be used as a Hospital for Columbus County, is necessart to the General welfare, health, and care of its said indigent sick and afflicted poor.

H. G. Avant,
Chairman Board Commissioners
W. L. Hobbs,

R. C. Benton,

W. M. Stephens,

Z. V. Williamson,
Commissioners.

Whiteville, N. C.
September, 28, 1938.

Ordered: that the following official returns be accepted and recorded:

OFFICIAL RETURN

Official returns for the Special Election called by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County in accordance with Resolution duly passed by it August 23rd, 1938.

RESOLUTION

We, the undersigned Columbus County Board of Elections, beg to report herewith below the votes cast for and against in a Special Election held September 26th, 1938.

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Bogue	222	14
Bolton	91	3
Bug Hill #1	203	6
Bug Hill #2	47	33
Chadbourn	61	262
Cerro Gordo	132	50
Cherry Groce	30	24
Fair Bluff	87	39
North Lees	74	3
East Lees	163	0
West Lees	113	10
South Lees	47	9
Ransom	95	22
Tatum	12	148
Waccamaw	145	1
Western Prong	19	44
Welches Creek	71	7
Whiteville #1	422	18
Whiteville #2	388	11
South Whiteville	38	35
Williams #1	140	127
Williams #2	101	21
South Williams	130	120
Total	2831	1007

In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names, this the 28th day of September 1938.

Columbus County Board of Elections

W. C. Oliver

Chairman

D. H. Jordan

J. A. Maultsby

Ordered: that Chairman be authorized to sign voucher to pay \$7,000.00 Bond Interest and Redemption Fund note and interest due October 1st, 1938.

Ordered: that enough funds be transferred from pre-payment on 1938 taxes to General School Fund to pay Bonds and interest and \$10,000.00 note and interest due October 1st, 1938.

Ordered: that the Chairman be authorized to cancel J. C. Cribb's note and mortgage to Columbus County which has been paid.

Ordered: that the Chairman be authorized to cancel T. S. Memory's note and mortgage to Columbus County when advised by Jackson Greer as to title.

On motion of W. L. Hobbs, seconded by W. M. Stephens, it is ordered that the tract of land containing 4 1/10 acres more or less, now owned by Dr. W. E. Miller and known as the Old J. D. Maulsby Home Place, or now the present Columbus County Hospital site, be purchased from W. E. Miller and wife for the location of the new County Hospital to be erected in the near future. The purchase price for said tract or lot of land and buildings to be \$8,500.00.

Ordered: that the following refunds be granted:

W. L. Strickland Est.	1937 tax	Board refunding personal property	7.26
W. L. Strickland Est.	1935 tax	" " " "	5.52
J. A. Gore	1937 tax	Error in listing	2.00

Ordered: that the following General County bills be allowed and paid:

State of N.C.	Amount due for forest fire protection	\$58.20
Western Union	Account	13.81
Commercial Printing Co.	Account	49.18
Leslie N. Boney, Architect	To advance on County Hospital contract	425.00
Mrs. Dorothy Jordan, Supt.	To donation for Sewing Rooms	<u>25.00</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until Monday, October 3rd, 1938.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin
Clerk

H. G. Avant
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office October 3rd, 1938, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present:

H. G. Avant, Chairman

R. C. Benton

W. L. Hobbs

W. M. Stephens

Z. V. Williamson

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

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

Ordered: that C. H. V. Hayes be relieved of paying Court Cost of \$6.00 on 1935 taxes.