

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office January 25th, 1947, according to the adjournment.

Members of the Board present:

L. P. Ward, Chairman

A.W. Williamson

W.F. Floyd

W.A. Weir

(Absent)

Bud Stephens

Bertha L. Long, Clerk.

The following business was transacted:

On motion of Commissioner A.W. Williamson, seconded by Commissioner W.F. Floyd, Be it resolved that H.G. Avant and J.K. Powell, members of the House of Representative and the Senate from Columbus County, be and they are hereby requested to pass a bill naming W.D. Brooks as County Auditor and County Accountant, providing therein, that in addition to his duties as County Auditor and County Accountant that he be authorized and directed to perform all the duties of Tax Collector, Tax Supervisor, Supervisor of County Home and Farm and County Purchasing Agent.

On motion meeting was adjourned until Monday February 3, 1947.

Approved:

Bertha L. Long
Clerk

L. P. Ward
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office February 3, 1947, it being first Monday.

Members of the Board Present:

L.P. Ward, Chairman

A.W. Williamson

W.F. Floyd

W.A. Weir

Bud Stephens

Bertha L. Long, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

Commissioner W.A. Weir introduced the following order authorizing bonds, which was read:

ORDER AUTHORIZING \$1,000,000 SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS.

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Whiteville City Administrative Unit have certified to this Board a resolution passed by said Trustees on October 24, 1946 showing that it is necessary in order to maintain the constitutional six months' school term in said Whiteville City Administrative Unit to provide the school improvements mentioned in said resolution; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Education of Columbus County has certified to this Board a resolution passed by said County Board of Education on February 3, 1947 showing that it is necessary in order to maintain the constitutional six months' school term in the Columbus County Administrative Unit to provide the school improvements mentioned in said resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus has carefully examined the facts and has determined and hereby finds as a fact that it has become the duty of said Board of Commissioners, acting as an administrative agent of the State in providing a State system of public schools, to order the issuance of a sufficient amount of County bonds to provide the school improvements mentioned in said resolutions, in order to maintain the constitutional six months' school term in Columbus County; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus:

1. That, pursuant to the County Finance Act, as amended, bonds of Columbus County be issued in an amount not exceeding \$1,000,000 for the purpose of providing funds for erecting, remodeling and enlarging school buildings, including the acquisition of necessary land and equipment, in order to maintain the constitutional six months' school term in Columbus County, as follows:

WHITEVILLE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT:

Remodeling and enlarging the following school buildings:

Whiteville High School
Whiteville Negro School

COLUMBUS COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT:

Remodeling and enlarging the following school buildings for white children:

District No. 2, Chadbourn School
District No. 3, Cerro Gordo School
District No. 4, Fair Bluff School
District No. 5, Evergreen School
District No. 7, Hallsboro School
District No. 9, Old Dock-Nakina School
District No. 10, Guideway School
District No. 13, Acme-Delce School

Erecting new school buildings at the following schools and remodeling the existing school buildings:

District No. 11, Tabor City School
District No. 12, Williams Township School

Erecting senior high school building for negro children at Chadbourn and at Hallsboro

Remodeling and enlarging school buildings for negro children in the Columbus County Administrative Unit.

2. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds when due shall be annually levied and collected.

3. That a statement of the County debt has been filed with the Clerk and is open to public inspection.

4. That this order shall take effect when approved by the voters of the County at an election as provided by law.

The Board thereupon designated the Clerk of Superior Court as the officer to file with the Clerk the statement of debt and assessed valuation required by the County Finance Act, as amended, to be filed before the final passage of the bond order this^{day}/introduced.

Thereupon the Clerk of Superior Court filed with the Clerk, in the presence of the Board, the statement of debt and assessed valuation as required by Section 13 of the County Finance Act.

The order authorizing \$1,000,000 School Building Bonds was thereupon passed on first reading.

And thereupon the Board fixed 2:00 O'clock, P.M., February 17, 1947, as the hour and date for the public hearing as required by Section 16 of the County Finance Act, and directed the Clerk to publish the bond order which has been introduced this day, together with the appended note as required by Section 16, of said Act, in The News-Reporter, not later than the 10th day before said date.

Ordered: that Jesse Mitchell, Hallsboro, N.C., be refunded by General County Fund Voucher (Ck.#1852, 2-3-47) for \$54.83, on Solomon Davis tax in Waccamaw Township, for years 1933, 1934, and 1935 at difference between 6% and one-half Court Cost and the regular rate.

On motion of Commissioner A.W. Williamson, seconded by Commissioner W.F. Floyd, it is ordered that the time for listing 1947 Taxes be extended until February 15, 1947.

Ordered: that W.E. Harrelson in Whiteville and Lee's Townships be give General County Fund Voucher(2-3-47 #1856) for \$14.85 to refund him for late listing penalty.

Ordered: that W.A. Williams be allowed to settle Pridgen & McGaugan, South Williams Township, taxes for years 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1938 at par plus 6% and one-half Court Cost.

Ordered: that Chairman and Clerk be authorized to Sign Bond Interest and Redemption Fund Voucher in the amount of \$ 697.99, to pay debt Service due March 1, 1947:

\$24,000	3-1-39	County Hospital	3½%	Interest	\$420.00
17,000	3-1-39	County Hospital	3¼%	Interest	276.25
				Exchange	1.74
					\$697.99

Ordered: that taxes in Whiteville Twp for years 1934 and 1935 listed to Lula Nance et al, 1936, 1937, and 1938, listed to Lula Nance Bethea et al be ordered paid at 6% and one-half court cost.

WHEREAS, the Legislative Act W.D. Brooks has been appointed Auditor of Columbus County effective February 4, 1947, with certain duties therein prescribed and it is necessary to fix his salary and amount of Bond. Therefore upon motion of Commissioner A.W. Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Bud Stephens and by vote duly passed. Ordered that the bond of Auditor be fixed at \$45,000.00 and that the bond in this amount with Maryland Casualty Company as Surety be and same is duly approved and that the salary of W.D. Brooks Auditor be fixed at \$400.00 per month, plus \$720 per year travel allowance payable monthly.

Ordered: that L.C. Jernigan tax for 1946, in Bogue Township be segregated so that Rome Jernigan, Batten, may pay the tax on the 25 7/10 acres of this land owned by her; and Ethel Jernigan may pay the tax on the 21 acres of this land owned by her; and Ruby Sasser may pay the tax on the 21 acres of this land owned by her; and each of these tracts are valued at \$562.00

Ordered: that the tax in Lees Township listed in the names hereinafter set out, for the years set out, be cancelled, as this property was double listed for each of said years in the name of H.A. Hill Estate and the taxes paid thereon in the name of H.A. Hill Estate for each of said years; the tax collector shall be granted a refund for same, a non-suit shall be taken in suits brought, and no cost allowed:

<u>Names:</u>	<u>Years:</u>
Bertha Bellamy	1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.
Gertrude Bellamy	1926, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936.
Albert Hill	1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.
James Hill	1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936.
Luther Hill Estate	1929, 1930
Roland Hill	1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.
Mary McLelland	1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931 , 1932, 1933, 1934.
Eliza Richardson	1928, 1929, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936.
Lillie Hill	1931, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.
C.H. Bellamy	1933, 1934, 1935, 1936.

Ordered: that 1946 tax of Mrs. T.C. Batchelor, Williams Township, be segregated so that P.A. Smith may pay the tax on 15 acres of her land purchased by him which is valued at \$95.

Road to run from the Dyson Crossing to Peacock's Crossing, a distance of about 4 Miles, the majority of said road being in Whiteville Township and part in Chadbourn Township.

Beginning at St. Mary's Church (colored) and going to the Railroad. This road being in Tatum Township.

Road leading from the end of the hard surface westward to the A.C.L.R.R. and then running South along said R.R. by Wards station and on to Clarendon.

A pierce of the Cherry Grove and Whiteville road which is about sixth tenths (6/10) of a mile of the above described road.

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

REQUEST FOR ADDITION
TO

STATE MAINTAINED COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the attached petition has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus requesting that the above described road, the location of which has been indicated in red on the attached map, be added to the system of county roads now maintained by the State Highway and Public Works Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, after careful investigation, deems the proposed addition of said road to the County Road System and its maintenance by the State Highway and Public Works Commission necessary to adequately serve the citizens of said county.

NOW, THEREFORE, the State Highway and Public Works Commission is requested to take said road over for maintenance and the addition of said road and revisions in location deemed necessary by the State Highway and Public Works Commission are hereby approved.

Ordered: that 1940 and 1941 taxes listed in the name of Chester McKenzie, Western Prong Township, be cancelled as this man paid taxes in Bladen County for these years Receipt Nos. 592, 583.

Ordered: that the Tax Collector be ^{refunded} refunded \$29.32 on a valuation of \$1,855 and \$2.42 late listing as this tax was listed through error to Sadie Ford, Tatum Township for 1946.

Ordered: that Robert H. Britt, Whiteville Township be refunded \$10.33, as the tax paid was on personal property and this property was also listed with land and paid October 10, 1947.

Ordered: that 1921 tax listed to D.N. Rockwell, Whiteville Township be cancelled and suit be non-suited and no cost allowed.

Ordered: that 1935 tax of Pettie Mitchell, Bogue Township, be cancelled as this was double listed to James P. Mitchell.

Ordered: that 1940, 1941 taxes listed in the name of John Ransom Western Prong Township, be cancelled as he has receipts for this years 1940, #166, 1941 #177.

Ordered: that Dan Foreman Moore, Welches Creek Township, be re-funded \$2.00 for poll tax as he is a resident of Bladen County and has paid tax in that County. Receipt No.528.

Ordered: that 1921. tax listed to D.F. Wright, Williams Township be cancelled and non-suit be taken as this is double listed.

Ordered: that 1946 tax listed to H.B. Cribb, Whiteville Township be cancelled as this man paid taxes in South Carolina on Sept 21,1946, Receipt No.10835.

Ordered: that 1944, 1945, 1946 taxes in Corporation Excess listed to Service Telephone Company be cancelled as this is double listed and the Service Telephone Company has paid taxes for each of said years in Fair Bluff Township.

Ordered: that license to retail beer under the Beverage Control Act of 1933, as amended, be granted to:

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|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Turner & Floyd | Chadbourn, N.C. |
| G.B. Cribbs | Fair Bluff, N.C. |
| George Newell | Clarkton, N.C. R-2, Box 216 |
| Bessie Carroll | Whiteville, N.C. R-4 |
| James McGirt | Clarkton, N.C. R-2 |
| Willie B. Peguese | Chadbourn, N.C. |
| D.C. Hilburn | Whiteville, N.C. R-4 |
| W.A. Moore | Whiteville, N.C. R-1 |

Ordered: that the following refunds be granted. (Nos. 177 - 261)

	To Cancel as per order of Board 2-3-47	1927 Taxes	\$	
Bertha Bellamy	"	1927	5.57	
"	"	1928	5.98	
"	"	1929	5.51	
"	"	1930	5.73	
"	"	1933	3.70	
"	"	1934	3.43	
"	"	1935	3.67	
"	"	1936	3.62	
"	"	1937	4.90	
Gertrude Bellamy	"	1926	3.14	
"	"	1928	5.98	
"	"	1929	5.51	
"	"	1930	5.73	
"	"	1933	4.05	
"	"	1934	3.97	
"	"	1935	3.67	
"	"	1936	3.62	
Albert Hill	"	1926	3.14	
"	"	1927	3.62	
"	"	1928	3.87	
"	"	1929	3.59	
"	"	1930	3.72	
"	"	1933	2.80	
"	"	1934	2.36	
"	"	1935	2.50	
"	"	1936	2.46	
"	"	1937	3.35	
James Hill	"	1926	3.14	
"	"	1927	3.80	
"	"	1928	3.87	
"	"	1929	3.59	
"	"	1930	3.72	

James Hill	To cancel as per order of Board 2-3-47	1933	Tax -	2.80
"	"	1934		2.36
"	"	1935		2.50
"	"	1936		2.47
Luther Hill Est	"	1929		6.46
"	"	1930		6.73
Roland Hill	"	1927		2.65
"	"	1928		2.81
"	"	1930		2.73
"	"	1931		1.83
"	"	1932		1.98
"	"	1929		2.62
"	"	1933		2.19
"	"	1934		1.82
"	"	1935		1.92
"	"	1936		1.89
"	"	1937		2.96
Mary McLelland	"	1927		3.62
"	"	1928		3.87
"	"	1929		3.59
"	"	1930		3.72
"	"	1933		2.36
"	"	1934		2.79
"	"	1935		2.50
"	"	1936		2.46
Eliza Richardson	"	1928		8.10
"	"	1929		7.42
"	"	1930		7.01
"	"	1933		4.50
"	"	1934		5.15
"	"	1935		5.51
"	"	1936		4.77
Lillie Hill	"	1931		4.10
"	"	1934		3.96
"	"	1935		4.86
"	"	1936		4.20
"	"	1937		5.21
C.H. Bellamy	"	1933		5.61
"	"	1934		6.34
"	"	1935		6.61
"	"	1936		5.78
D.F. Wright	"	1921		17.47
H.B. Cribb	"	1946		7.51
Service Telephone Co	"	1944		12.73
"	"	1945		13.78
"	"	1946		13.78
Chester McKenzie	"	1940		2.45
"	"	1941		3.00
D.N. Rockwell	"	1921		3.24
Pettie Mitchell	"	1935		8.54
Sadie Ford	"	1946		29.32
John Ransom	"	1940		2.00
"	"	1941		2.00

Ordered: that the following General County bills be allowed and.
 Paid (Nos.1743 through 1870)

E.K. Proctor	To January Salary -	County Attorney	100.00
Yenie H. Rouse	"	Tax Supervisor	140.20
W.D. Brooks	"	Tax Collector & Travel	341.80
Leona C. Quinerly	"	Assisting Tax Collector	152.40
Jeanne Baldwin	"	"	111.40
R.B. Mallard	"	Tax Attorney	148.10
H.D. Stanley	"	Sheriff	275.00
W. H. Bullard	"	Assisting Sheriff & Travel	243.00
Mack Canady	"	"	225.00
L.R. Wayne	"	"	214.20
Robert M. Stephens	"	"	214.20
Horace Shaw	"	Fingerprint Expert & Travel	222.10
Bertha Long	"	Assisting Auditor	144.50
A.M. Auger	"	Janitor	127.90
Leo L. Fisher	"	Register of Deeds	259.50
Anna Belle Lane	"	Assisting Register of Deeds	144.50
Linda H. Dudley	"	"	90.50
Mrs. Geo C. Greene Jr.	"	"	103.40
Gladys G. Wooten	"	"	111.40
Annie Lou Cowan	"	County Home Keeper	111.40
Jane Bass	"	Worker at County Home	50.00

Iris Little	To Jan Salary - Worker at County Home	35.00
Rosier Williams	" County Farm Supt	500.00
McAdeo Williams	" Farmer	125.00
Johnsie R. Nunn	" Welfare Officer & Travel	247.20
Mozelle Hooks	" Caseworker & Travel	152.05
Alice S. Wright	" "	201.40
Mrs. Richard E. Weaver	" Assisting Welfare Officer	123.60
Margaret Lee McDaniel	" "	90.50
A.E. Powell, Postmaster	To Postage	30.00
J.P. Quinerly	" Asst Farm Agent	115.00
Carrie Lou H. Stone	" Assisting Farm Agent	63.26
C.D. Raper	" Farm Agent	155.03
Nan E. Ratliff	" Home Dem Agent	90.50
Ocia B. Britt	" Assisting A.A.A.	30.00
Kyard Brown	" "	15.00
Dorothy D. Spivey	" "	30.00
Mrs. Allyn Smith	" "	30.00
Thurston FormyDusal	" Service Officer	181.30
Mabel B. Townsend	" Asst C.S.C.	165.40
Iris Worrell	" Assisting C.S.C.	115.70
Lee J. Greer	" Clerk of Superior Court etc	275.90
W.E. Harrelson	" Judge of Recorders Court	169.00
Joe W. Brown	" Prosecuting Attorney	148.10
Columbus County Library Fund	Transferring State Appropriation	918 ⁰⁰ 912.00
Columbus County Library Fund	" part of Budget "	1400.00
Clyde Blackman	To Refund Poll Tax	2.00
L.P. Ward, Chairman	To Board meetings & Mileage	19.80
A.W. Williamson	" "	19.50
W.F. Floyd	" "	15.00
Bud Stephens	" "	13.40
W.A. Weir	" "	18.60
Lois F. Lewis	To 10 assisting Tax Supervisor	40.00
D.H. Bowen	To Capturing 3 Whiskey Stills	15.00
L.R. Wayne	" 2 "	10.00
J.M. Hill	To Capturing 1 whiskey Still	5.00
City Fuel Co	To carload of Coal & Hauling	458.89
Jos C. Shepard	To Jan Account	10.80
N.C. Dept of Conser. & Devlp	To Monthly Appropriation	208.06
The Worrell Mfg Co	To Nov Accounts	306.92
Puritan Chemical Co	To Oct Account	21.08
Columbus Motor Co	To 8 qts Black Liquid	8.56
Sarah Sledge	To Typing - Welfare Office	7.70
State Commission For The Blind	To Monthly Appropriation	179.58
Johnsie R. Nunn	To Reimbursement	2.50
Columbus Hotel	To Rooms for Juror - Roy Kirksey	28.00
Lee J. Greer	To Reimbursements	1.41
A.E. Powell, Postmaster	To Stamped Envelopes & Postage	74.76
H.L. Shaw	To Conveying - Norman Green	3.00
D.M. Fipps	To Conveying - David Harrelson	21.80
Venie H. Rouse	To Mileage	13.25
Puritan Chemical Co	To Jan Account	64.05
J.C. Lennon	" "	327.64
Town of Whiteville	To Water Account etc	35.75
F.B. Foster	To opening Sewer line etc	22.45
R.J. Benton	To Freight	1.06
Mrs. Cecil Atkins	To 23 days assisting Register of Deeds	92.00
Mrs. Vernon Hardee	To 22 "	88.00
Edwards & Broughten Co	To Jan Account	72.80
Burkhead-DeVane Ptg Co	To Nov & Jan Accounts	99.97
Owen G. Dunn Co	To Jan & Dec Accounts	228.42
H. Hugh Nance	To Inquest etc Dunk Yates et al	54.10
Leona C. Quinerly	To Clerical Assistance - Dunk Yates	3.00
Dudley Peacock	To Inquest - Dunk Yates	3.00
Otis Collins	" "	3.00
Robert Stephens	" "	3.00
Owen B. Brown	" "	3.00
M.B. Kellihan	" "	3.00
Edward Yates	" "	3.00
L.M. Todd	" "	3.00
Rosier Williams	To Jan Support of Jail	502.20
Mrs. M.A. Waddell	To Welfare Board meeting & Mileage	7.00
K. Clyde Council	" "	6.20
Dr. R.C. Sadler	" "	5.10
Sarah Sledge	To Typing - Welfare Office	2.45
Storr Engraving Co	To Sept & Oct Accounts	16.27
C.B. Best	To Court Officer & Mileage	22.90
Ed. Ward	To Grand Jury Officer & Mileage	21.80
E.L. Brooks	To Conveying - Earlon Dudney	16.50
L.R. Wayne	" - Bernie Preseall etal	36.00
Mitchell Printing Co	To Jan Account	3.53

Kee Lox Mfg Co	To Dec Account	12.50
First Nat'l Bk of Wh.	To Withholding Tax - Jan 1947	423.50
Robert M. Stephens	Conveying - Franklin C. Marlowe	18.00
W.G. Spaulding	To Jan Account	15.00
Mary W. Cook	To 7 days assisting T.C.	28.00
H.D. Stanley	To Mileage transferring Whiskey to ABC store	6.50
Jesse Mitchell	To Refund on Solomon Davis Tax	54.83
Mrs. R.L. Garrell	To refund overcharge 1945 tax	.77
Roy Harrelson	To refund overcharge on 1942 & 1945 taxes	2.31
W.E. Harrelson	To refund late listing Penalty	14.85
Columbus County News	To Jan Accounts	184.75
Columbus Telephone Co	To Telephone Account	87.09
Monroe Calculating Mche Co	To Maintenance Agreement	11.00
G.R. Ward	To Capturing 3 Whiskey Stills	15.00
A.E. Powell, P.M.	To Postage - Register of Deeds	5.00
Thomas Stanley	To Repairs at Jail	21.80
Schulken's	To Jan Account	13.05
Columbus F.C.X. Service	To Dec & Jan Account	90.15
Western Union	To Jan Account	1.70
Johnsie R. Nunn	To Reimbursement	2.75
Sam C. Carter	To Commissions on Tax Collections	33.77
Thurston FormyDuval	To Reimbursements	7.37
W.D. Brooks	Setting up Petty Cash Fund	115.00
Insolvents Outdoor Poor		80.50
Insolvents		339.31
Insolvents		<u>14.17</u>

On Motion Meeting was adjourned until Monday February

17, 1947.

Approved

Bertha L. Long
Clerk.

L.P. Ward
Chairman

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Members of the Board Present:

L.P. Ward, Chairman

W.F. Floyd

W.A. Weir

Bud Stephens

(Absent)

A.W. Williamson

Bertha L. Long Clerk

The following Business was transacted:

Ordered: that license to retail beer under the Beverage Control Act of 1933, as amended, be granted to:

J.G. Oquinn
Thomas Singleton
E.G. Soles

Shalotte, N.C.
Whiteville, N.C.
Tabor City, N.C.