

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office May 12, 1953, at 10:00 in a joint meeting with the Columbus County Welfare Board.

Members of Board Present:

L. P. Ward, Chairman

Bud Stephens

Lacy R. Thompson

W. B. Buffkin

Charles R. Council (absent)

Alice S. Burns, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

Ordered: that Welfare Administrative Budget be tentatively approved as presented by Columbus County Welfare Board, and filed with Alice S. Burns, County Accountant, for completion and computation of tax rate.

Ordered: that Dr. Floyd Johnson be authorized to place a 90 day dog quarantine on all dogs in Columbus County.

Ordered: that Co operative Health Fund Budget be tentatively approved as presented by Dr. Floyd Johnson.

Ordered: that no late listing be placed on machinery and inventory of Blud Jeans Corp. because of illness of director.

Ordered: that budget be tentatively approved for Sheriff's Dept. allowing 4 deputies and Fingerprint Expert at same salary and travel as set forth in 1952- 1953 budget.

Ordered: that Fire Prevention and Control budget be tentatively approved same as 1952- 1953 budget.

Ordered: that courthouse be closed May 30th for Memorial Day.

Ordered: that inventory of Council & Co., Bogue Township, be reduced to \$15,000 for 1953 listing.

Ordered: that upon investigation of tax collector and report shows that error was made in listing inventory of Council & Co. for 1952 in the amount of \$12,500. It is further ordered that tax collector be released taxes for this amount.

Ordered: that William Moore Weber, Architect for Courthouse Annex, be requested to furnish in writing to Board of County Commissioners and East Carolina Construction Co. with 5 days a list of all necessary adjustments for General Contractor to make in order for courthouse annex to be accepted so that final payment and settlement can be made.

Ordered: that the taxes of L. O. Watts in South Williams Township for the years 1948, 1949, 1950, and 1951 be segregated so that Melvin Fowler may pay the taxes on 2 lots purchased by him from L. O. Watts by deed as recorded in Book 192, page 63, the two lots of Melvin Fowler having a valuation of \$110.00 and the tax thereon shall be released upon paying the tax on this valuation plus a proportionate part of the personal property, penalties and poll tax.

Ordered: that a deed be made to Isham King for the lands in Bolton Township described in the deed recorded in Book 157, at page 518, upon the payment by Isham King of the sum of \$283.73; it is further provided that Isham King shall list his 24 acre tract of land in Bolton Township for 1953 at the valuation of \$2160.00, providing that in 1954 the valuation thereon is to be \$360.00; and upon the payment of aforesaid sum of \$283.73 and listing of his 24 acre tract and paying the taxes thereon as hereinabove mentioned that the lien on the 24 acre tract for all prior years is settled.

Ordered: that broad form burglary policy insuring money and securities for all county offices in courthouse be purchased from Ralph T. Beason.

Ordered: that the following general county bills be allowed and paid:

Elsie P. McPhaul	To 14 days assisting Tax Collector	82.74
G. W. Phillips & Associates	To balance on painting for courthouse annex	800.00

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned until May 28, 1953, at 2:00

P. M.

Approved:

Oliver L. Burn
Clerk

L. P. Ward
Chairman