

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Feb. 7, 1955, it being first Monday.

Members of Board Present:

- L. P. Ward, Chairman
- L. P. Stephens
- Lacy R. Thompson
- W. B. Buffkin
- Charles R. Council
- Alice S. Burns, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

Ordered: that James Thompson, Whiteville Township, be relieved of poll tax on account of poverty and infirmity as he is disabled to work and that tax collector be given a release on 1954 poll tax.

Ordered: that W. J. Hayes, Cerro Gordo Township, be relieved of poll tax on account of poverty and infirmity as he is disabled to work and that tax collector be given a release on 1954 poll tax.

Ordered: that B. Frank McLelland, Chadbourn, be recommended for electrical inspector for commissioners' districts 1 and 2.

Ordered: that request be made to Senator Williamson and Representative Floyd that the law regulating drawing jurors for Columbus County be amended to allow drawing 12 extra jurors for each week when new members are added to the Grand Jury by our rotation system.

Ordered: that the following letter be signed by the Chairman of Board:

District Engineer
Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army
P. O. Box 905
Charleston, S. C.

Dear Sir:

In consideration of expected flood control benefits to be derived from channel clearing work proposed by the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army in the main channel of Waccamaw River between New Britton Bridge and the upper end of the Fish Ponds (river mile 117 to 134) the Board of Commissioners, Columbus County, North Carolina, agrees to the following conditions:

- (a) To provide without cost to the United States all easements, rights-of-way and rights of entry necessary for the work.
- (b) To hold and save the United States free from claims or damages due to the work.
- (c) To maintain the work after completion.

As to (a) above we enclose a paper writing from the adjoining land owners in Columbus County and if this is not sufficient to satisfy these requirements we will endeavor to obtain what is required.

As to (b) above we ~~enclose a paper writing from the adjoining land owners in Columbus County and if this is not sufficient to satisfy these requirements we will endeavor to obtain what is required.~~

do not have the legal authority to sign a guarantee or release, or assume liability for negligent acts of the U. S. Government or its agents, and we do not interpret the above to be such, because we have been told by those interested that the land owners in signing easements have met the requirements of the government and that the releases by the adjoining landowners provide for the release of the government from claims or damages due to the work, which we understand to be what is meant.

As to (c) above, we understand that the provisions of the law making it unlawful to obstruct the waterways of the state will take care of the contemplated work after completion.

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Ordered: that Chairman of Board be allowed to sign subordination agreement for Allie B. Dawsey to borrow money from Farmers Home Administration, provided that Allie B. Dawsey give a chattel mortgage on 75 head of hogs and a second lien on crop.

Ordered: that bond of Irvin Cook with Fidelity and Casualty Co. for \$1,000 and bond of Dennis G. Strickland for \$1,000 be approved and ordered recorded in office of Register of Deeds.

Ordered: that contract be let to G. W. Phillips for patching plaster and painting 2 coats of oil paint in upstairs of county home building at \$392.75.

Ordered: that sketch as proposed by William Moore Weber, A.I.A., for locating public health center building be approved as presented.

Ordered: that the following be allowed salary increases of \$25.00 per month effective Feb. 1:

- Rosier Williams
- Joe W. Brown
- Alice S. Burns
- Raymond B. Mallard

Ordered: that Charles R. Council be designated to assist Chairman L. P. Ward, in signing checks and bills, as Mr. Ward is recuperating from an illness.

Ordered: that Boyd Benton be allowed to pay 1/4 of 1954 tax on Rufus C. Benton Estate, Tatum Township.

Ordered: that tax collector be given a release on \$1600 valuation on the tax of Ernest Girrback, Bolton Township, for 1954, as an increase in valuation was through error.

Ordered: that the tax collector be given a release on taxes of Governor Powell, Whiteville Township, for the years 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, and 1954 as this property was double listed.

Ordered: that the tax collector be given a release on the tax of E. E. Harlowe, Lees Township, in the amount of \$1.90 as there was an error in valuation.

Ordered: that William Madcom Ransom, R-1, Bladenboro, be allowed to

pay 1935 tax on the property listed in the name of C. R. Edwards, Western Prong Township, at par and no court cost allowed.

Ordered: that Ralph McKoy be allowed to pay Walter Shaw tax in Welches Creek Township for the years 1937 and prior at par, and no court cost allowed.

Ordered: that tax for 1954 in Welches Creek township listed in the name of H. P. Creech Heits, be released and the tax collector given a release for same, due to the fact that theis property was double listed.

Ordered: that A. W. Barnhill be allowed to pay the taxes in Bogue Township on land listed for the year 1934 in the name of Marvin Barefoot at par and no court cost allowed.

Ordered: that Robert E. Shaw Heirs valuation of land in 1955, Ransom Township, 2 acres J. L. Saulter land be reduced from \$1522.00 to \$800.00

Ordered: that Rudolph W. Soles be permitted to pay at par, with no cost allowed, the 1933 tax in Williams Township listed in the name of Mrs. Mollie L. Gore.

Ordered: that Emily Troy be allowed to pay the taxes of Nathan Shaw Estate Welches Creek Township at par for the years 1923, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934 and no court cost allowed.

Ordered: that contract be let to R. C. Lamb and Son for insulating pipe under courthouse building for \$525.00.

ROAD PETITIONS

1. East Lees Township, Road runs from a point two miles south of Old Dock, leaving Highway #130 running Northwest to a point at M. G. Stocks on the Old Dock, Nakina Highway.
2. Whiteville-Chadbour Townships. Road runs from Fruit Ridge Crossing, North of A.C.L. Railway, running parallel with Railway at Peacock's crossing.

Ordered: that the Chairman and Clerk be authorized to sign Bond Interest & Redemption Fund voucher in the amount of \$418.54 to pay the following debt service due:

\$ 8,000	County Hospital	3½%	Interest	\$140.00
17,000	" "	3¼%	Interest	276.25
			Exchange	2.29
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				\$418.54

Ordered: that the following bills be allowed and paid:

R. B. Mallard	To Jan. Salary - County Attorney (813)	\$ 220.50
Venie H. Rouse	" Asst. Tax Supervisor	197.60
W. A. Weir	" Tax Collector	326.10
Lolly G. Johnson	" Assisting Tax Collector	200.40
Helen Weir	" "	131.80
J. R. Pridgen	" Sheriff & Travel	377.23
H. D. Stanley	" Assisting Sheriff & Travel	345.80
W. B. Roebuck	" "	349.60
Mack Canady	" "	354.20
E. M. Griffin	" "	359.60
Leslie B. Stubbs	" "	369.60
Horace Shaw	" Fingerprint Expert & Travel	368.20
Town of Whiteville	" Radio Operator	95.00
Alice S. Burns	" County Accountant & Travel	294.90
Rosier Williams	" Janitor	199.80
Leo L. Fisher	" Register of Deeds	296.78
Anna Belle Lane	" Assisting Register of Deeds	176.00
Gladys G. Wooten	" "	165.80
Sarah Fay White	" "	143.20
Carolyn Burchette	" "	128.80
Alice S. Wright	" Welfare Supt.	280.10
Marietta Hickman	" Caseworkers Asst.	184.00
Minette Graham	" "	194.00
Pearl H. Fowler	" "	184.00
Marigene P. Lytton	" "	184.00
Maebelle Weaver	" Assisting Welfare Supt.	191.30
Margaret Lee MacDaniel	" "	165.60
Leota H. Hodges	" "	175.30
Archie F. Martin	" Asst. Farm Agent	132.30
Mary Wade Robinson	" Assisting Farm Agent	81.60
Dorothy L. Miller	" "	83.90
Olivia George	" Assisting Negro Agent	75.00
J. M. Spaulding	" "	138.70
C. D. Raper	" County Agent	183.60
Elaine N. Blake	" Home Dem. Agent	120.90
Rebecca Williams	" Asst. Home Dem. Agent	108.00
Dorothy D. Spivey	" Assisting P. M. A.	78.40
Mrs. Allyn Smith	" "	39.10
Columbus County Library Fund	To Jan. Appropriation	250.00
H. Hugh Nance	To Jan. Salary - Service Officer & Travel	289.20
Jewel W. Duniwant	" Asst. C. S. C.	195.90
Elneta Collins	" Assisting C. S. C.	143.25
Mary Lou White	" "	132.20
Lee J. Greer	" Clerk of Court, etc.	346.58
Sankey W. Robinson	" Judge of Records Court	229.60
Joe W. Brown	" Solicitor of Records Court	181.30
N. B. Icard	" Dog Warden	239.60
Laura B. Rosser	" Child Welfare Officer (860)	144.54
Burkhead-DeVane Printing Co.	To account for Tax Supervisor	370.87
Columbus County News	To account	138.00
Radio Station W.E.N.C.	To account	49.50
Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co.	To account	272.67
Robeson Office Supplies, Inc.	To account	6.60
Storr Sales Co.	To account	23.51
Monroe Calculating Machine Co.	To account	17.00
Floyd-Barkley	To account	170.57
J. E. Tyree	To account for still	5.00
John Singletary	" "	5.00
W. B. Roebuck	" "	10.00
Mack Canady	" "	5.00
L. B. Stubbs	" "	5.00
Clinton Nye	" "	5.00
E. M. Griffin	" "	5.00
Steve Hilbourn	" "	15.00
H. D. Stanley	" "	10.00
W. F. Cox Co.	To account for Sheriff's Dept.	12.25
J. R. Pridgen	To reimbursment for envelopes	38.54
Town of Whiteville	To cost of antena (½)	96.90
Whiteville Oil Co.	To account for courthouse	285.01
Duro-Test Corp.	To account	71.62
Oscar High & Sons	To account for courthouse	30.73
Puritan Chemical Co.	To account	110.57
Carolina Power & Light Co.	To account	211.99
Town of Whiteville	To account	18.25
Whiteville City Schools	To account for cork board	18.13
J. H. Ashley	To account for courthouse	3.00
R. C. Lamb & Son	To account for courthouse	16.80
F. B. Foster	To account	33.65
Service Oil Co.	To account	117.92

J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	To account for courthouse annex	100.00
Keys Printing Corp.	To account for Register of Deeds	20.29
South-East Sales Co.	To account for jail	5.47
Orkin Exterminating Co., Inc.	To account	13.00
Leder Bros.	To account	7.94
J. L. Robinson	To Welfare Board Meeting and Mileage	6.00
Mrs. Ann N. Talbott	"	5.20
Lottie Howard	To Jan. Maid Services (900)	29.40
Double Envelope Corp.	To account for Welfare Dept.	259.29
D. E. Baggett, Acting Postmaster	To account for Welfare Dept.	40.00
Minette Graham	To Jan. Travel (903)	60.15
Marigene P. Lytton	"	66.38
Ralph T. Beason	To bond for Alice S. Wright	10.00
Elaine N. Blake	To reimbursment	20.36
Monore Claculating Machine Co., Inc.	To account	14.00
Rebecca J. Williams	To reimbursment	1.50
H. Hugh Nance	To reimbursment	18.75
Worth Reporting Co.	To services as court reporter (910)	125.00
Jerry M. Ward	To 1 day Grand Jury Officer	10.00
Storr Sales Co.	To account for Clerk of Court	1.85
Washam & Warlick Farm Supply Co.	To account	5.20
Mamie B. Galemberti	To 28 days Assisting Register of Deeds	144.04
Doris Caulder	26 "	134.48
Betty Merritt	26 "	124.54
Edwards & Broughton Co.	To account for Register of Deeds	23.20
Burkhead-DeVane Printing Co.	To account "	120.84
Royal Typewriter Co., Inc.	To account for Register of Deeds	172.50
Venie H. Rouse	To travel for Jan.	42.35
Tabor City Tribune	To account for Tax Dept.	42.00
Eva W. Coleman	To 2 days assisting Tax Collector	11.76
Southeastern Equipment Co.	To account for Sheriff's Dept.	157.57
Frank T. Wooten Insurance Agency	To account for courthouse	62.40
Mitchell Printing Co.	To account for Register of Deeds	46.55
R. C. Lamb & Sons	To account for County Home Bldg.	368.09
N. C. Dept. of Labor	To boiler inspections	4.00
N. C. State Commission for the Blind		345.39
Belk-Hensdale Co.	To account for indigent	8.92
C. A. Farley	To 11 days court officer	110.00
H. L. Shaw	To conveying prisoners	18.00
Mack Canady	To conveying prisoners	18.00
W. B. Roebuck	To conveying prisoners	18.00
Commercial Printing Co.	To account for Clerk of Court	94.19
N. B. Icard	To Jan. Mileage	121.66
W. A. Weir	To Jan. Travel	25.00
Thurston Gore	To capturing still	5.00
Worth D. Williamson	To Coroners Investigations	176.56
A. C. Meares	To Coroners Jury	5.00
Ben F. Williamson	"	5.00
J. H. Meares	"	5.00
Jamie Waddell	"	5.00
Alva Hinson	"	5.00
Monore Enzor	"	5.00
Dr. W. E. Baldwin	To professional services for Coroner	10.00
Dr. William Futch	"	20.00
E. M. Griffin	To conveying prisoners (948)	18.00
D. E. Baggett, Acting Postmaster	To postage for Register of Deeds	10.00
Alice S. Wright	To milegge for Jan.	64.14
Laura B. Rosser	To Jan. Mileage	28.44
Hospital Saving Association	To insurance	126.25
First National Bank of Whiteville	To Jan. Withholding Tax	977.90
L. P. Ward	To Board Meetings and Mileage	23.00
Lacy R. Thompson	"	21.40
W. B. Buffkin	"	21.60
Charles R. Council	"	22.20
L. P. Stephens	"	23.00
Wooten's Business Equipment Co.	To account	66.55
State of N. C. Dept. of Conservation & Development		986.77
Thomas Stanley	To Jan. Support of Jail	650.60
Pearl H. Fowler	To Jan. mileage	39.36
Carolina Veterniary Supply Co.	To account for Dog Warden	630.00
Lula Soloman	To Boarding Home Care	35.00
Mrs. Leon Ellis	"	42.00
S. & S. Super Market	To food oder for indigent	5.00
Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co.	To account for Welfare Dept.	26.76
Dictaphone Corp.	To account for Welfare Dept.	1014.30
Mrs. A. B. Dawsey	To Boarding Home care of child	35.00
D. Jack Hooks	To special attorney fee	100.00
R. C. Lamb & Son	To final payment for heating at courthouse	599.70
William Moore Weber	To final payment for " (supervison)	74.96
Annie Lou Cowan	To Boarding Home Care	75.00
Mrs. J. W. Roberts	"	35.00
Out Door Poor		10.00
Insolvents		43.77

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned until Feb. 12, 1955,
at 7:00.

Approved:

Mildred Burns
Clerk

& L. P. Ward
Chairman