

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 8 p.m., May 24, 1965 according to adjournment.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

H. J. Watts, Chairman

J. Roland Gore

W. O. Johnson

Luther C. Rich

Lacy R. Thompson

Mazzalee T. Sanderford, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners heretofore appointed an Economic Advisory Board to make a study and to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners how the County could effectuate best the Local Development Act which was approved by the voters of Columbus County in the 1964 General Election; and

WHEREAS said Advisory Board recommended to the Board of County Commissioners that the Board create an Economic Development Commission for Columbus County pursuant to Article Two of Chapter 158 of N. C. General Statutes; upon motion made, duly seconded and unanimously carried the Columbus County Board of Commissioners adopted the following resolution:

"Be it resolved: that Columbus County Economic Development Commission is hereby created for Columbus County and that said Commission shall consist of five (5) members, said members are to be appointed by the County Board of Commissioners with one member of said Commission to be from each of the respective County Commissioners' Districts of Columbus County; that the original appointees to said Commission shall serve until November 30, 1968, or until their successors are named by the Board; that the Columbus County Economic Development Commission shall have all the powers and duties as specified in Article Two, Chapter 158-13 of North Carolina General Statutes and shall be governed by the rules and regulations as expressed in Article Two, Chapter 158 of General Statutes of North Carolina entitled 'Economic Development Commissions.'

Upon motion made, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the following were appointed to the Columbus County Economic Development Commission:

District No. 1	Robert Aranow, Riegelwood, N. C.
District No. 2	Walter Shaw, Evergreen, N. C.
District No. 3	W. N. Peal, Chadbourn, N. C.
District No. 4	Horace Carter, Tabor City, N. C.
District No. 5	Lawrence Bowers, Whiteville, N. C.

WHEREAS Columbus County Economic Advisory Board recommended to the County Board of Commissioners that the full amount of tax be levied as approved by the voters of Columbus County in the last General Election for the Economic Development of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS the County Board of Commissioners feels that it is for the best interest of all the citizens of Columbus County that the maximum amount of tax authorized by the voters of Columbus County in the last General Election be levied for economic development;

THEREFORE, upon motion made and unanimously carried, one-tenth (1/10) of one per cent upon the assessed valuation of all real and personal property taxable in Columbus County shall be levied for the fiscal year 1965-66 for the purpose of aiding and encouraging the location of manufacturing enterprises, making industrial surveys and locating industrial and commercial plants in Columbus County, and for such other purposes as will, in the discretion of the County Board of Commissioners; **increase the population, taxable property, agricultural industries and business prospects of Columbus County.**"

The 1965-66 Budget requests of the Civil Defense Director were reviewed, and the Auditor was instructed to advise the Director not to exceed the budget for the current fiscal year.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until 7:30 p.m., May 25, 1965.

APPROVED:

Myrtle S. Sanderson
Clerk

A. J. Watts
Chairman