

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., July 15, 1968 it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

W. O. Johnson, Chairman

T. E. Burns

J. Roland Gore

H. J. Watts

Edward W. Williamson

Betty S. Williamson, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

1968-1969 BUDGET APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner H. J. Watts who moved its adoption:

Section 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, N. C. this the 15th day of July 1968, that for the expense of County Government, its activities and institutions, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1968, and ending June 30, 1969, the amounts in the following schedule, or so much of each as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated.

Section 2. That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the GENERAL COUNTY FUND the following:

Board of County Commissioners	\$	12,000.00
Financial, Management, & General		10,848.00
Listing & Assessing Property		44,161.00
Collection of Taxes		29,651.00
County Sheriff		114,780.00
Elections		30,528.00
Courthouse & Grounds		23,683.00
Courthouse Annex & Grounds		7,237.00
Courthouse Annex II & Grounds		1,095.00
Purchase of Property		25,000.00
Register of Deeds		34,438.00
County Coroner		4,408.00
Fire Prevention & Control		10,132.00
County Jail		25,232.00
County Hall		13,123.00
Out Door Poor		500.00
Library Fund		19,800.00
Superior Court		16,816.00
Clerk of Superior Court		14,730.00
Recorders Court		7,135.00
Juvenile Court		726.00
Dog Warden & Rabies Control		7,555.00
Surplus Commodities Administration		10,238.00
Civil Defense		12,995.00
Contingencies		8,600.00
	\$	<u>485,411.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Unexpended Balance	\$	48,674.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		138,029.00
Dog Taxes		3,250.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		65,342.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation		
@19.26 for General County Fund \$246,528 - 83%		204,618.00
@ 2.4 for Poor Fund \$ 30,720 - 83%		25,498.00
	\$	<u>485,411.00</u>

Section 3. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the SPECIAL LEVY FUND the following:

Accountant's Office	\$	26,963.00
Farm Agent & Other Extensions		<u>36,944.00</u>
	\$	<u>63,907.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Intangible Tax	\$	1,862.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		3,613.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 5.5 \$ 70,400 - 83%		<u>58,432.00</u>
	\$	<u>63,907.00</u>

Section 4. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the SERVICE OFFICER FUND the following:

Salary - Service Officer	\$	4,800.00
Travel		1,200.00
Office Expense		283.00
Social Security Expense		<u>221.00</u>
	\$	<u>6,504.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

State Appropriation	\$	1,000.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		192.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ .005c \$ 6,400 - 83%		<u>5,312.00</u>
	\$	<u>6,504.00</u>

Section 5. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the SOCIAL SECURITY FUND for the following:

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Salaries - Welfare Officer & Assistants	\$	103,332.00
Salary - Welfare Attorney		2,400.00
Travel & Automobile Depreciation		7,000.00
Telephone		800.00
Supplies (Office, Stationery, Printing)		1,200.00
Office Equipment & Repairs to Equipment		2,000.00
Office Space Costs in Lieu of Rent		2,704.00
Per Diem of Board Members		400.00
Social Security Expense		4,665.00
Maintenance to Building		200.00
Miscellaneous Expense		500.00
Contribution to State for the Blind Indigent Children		<u>8,965.00</u>
	\$	<u>145,166.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

State & Federal Appropriations	\$	72,096.00
State Aid for Indigent Children		5,500.00
Intangible Tax		2,000.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		3,951.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 5.8 \$ 74,240 - 83%		<u>61,619.00</u>
	\$	<u>145,166.00</u>

Section 6. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN FUND the following:

Aid to Dependent Children Grants	\$	329,171.00
Hospital NMP		24,405.00
Tax Expense		885.00
	\$	<u>354,461.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Surplus	\$	7,851.00
Equalization fund		3,500.00
State & Federal appropriations		312,626.00
Intangible Tax		1,000.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		800.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 2.7¢ \$ 34,560 - 83%		<u>28,684.00</u>
	\$	<u>354,461.00</u>

Section 7. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the OLD AGE ASSISTANCE FUND the following:

Old Age Assistance Grants	\$	333,000.00
Tax Expense		700.00
	\$	<u>333,700.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Surplus	\$	13,000.00
Equalization Fund		4,500.00
State & Federal Appropriations		291,384.00
Intangible Tax		918.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		2,650.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 2¢ \$ 25,600 - 83%		<u>21,248.00</u>
	\$	<u>333,700.00</u>

Section 8. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the AID TO THE PERMANENTLY & TOTALLY DISABLED FUND the following:

APTD Grants	\$	281,880.00
Hospital NMP		18,851.00
Tax Expense		1,010.00
Due to MAA		2,500.00
	\$	<u>304,241.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Equalization Fund	\$	3,323.00
State & Federal Appropriations		262,701.00
Intangible Tax		1,066.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		2,092.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 3.3¢ \$ 42,240 - 83%		<u>35,059.00</u>
	\$	<u>304,241.00</u>

Section 9. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE AGED FUND the following:

MAA Expenditures	\$	8,377.00
Tax Expense		35.00
	\$	<u>8,412.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Due from APTD	\$	2,500.00
State & Federal Appropriations		4,728.00
Intangible Tax		22.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		100.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ .001¢ \$ 1,280 - 83%		<u>1,062.00</u>
	\$	<u>8,412.00</u>

Section 10. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the CO-OPERATIVE HEALTH FUND the following:

Salaries:	\$	12,624.00
Health Officer		
Public Health Nurses		28,788.00
Sanitarians		11,616.00
Clerical Assistants		10,368.00
Board Members Per Diem		300.00
Dentist		2,000.00
Travel		9,695.00
Fees to Clinicians		200.00
Janitress		1,890.00
Social Security Expense		2,942.00
Miscellaneous Expense		6,500.00
Emergency & Part Time Salaries		2,500.00
Milk Laboratory Fees		300.00
Salary Adjustment		996.00
	(s) \$	<u>90,719.00</u>

County Health - 130-29 G.S.:

Hospitalization	\$	12,000.00
Medical & Drugs		4,000.00
Repairs & Equipment		175.00
Miscellaneous Expense		300.00
Insurance & Bonding		200.00
Tax Expense		2,130.00
Conveying Patients		1,200.00
	(s) \$	<u>110,724.00</u>

County Mental Health - 122-35.1 G.S.:

Expenditures to Southeastern Mental Health		
Headquarters, Lumberton, N. C.	\$	11,100.00
	(s) \$	<u>121,824.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Contributions for Mental Health	\$	800.00
Unexpended Balance		19,470.00
Reimbursements - Drugs		2,000.00
Reimbursements - Miscellaneous		5,000.00
Intangible Tax		3,086.00
State & Federal Appropriation		20,000.00
1967 and Prior Years		5,600.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation		
@ 5.2¢ for General Health - \$66,560 - 83%		55,244.00
@ 1 ¢ for Mental Health - \$12,800 - 83%		10,624.00
	\$	<u>121,824.00</u>

Section 11. That for the payment of Principal and Interest and necessary expenses in connection therewith, there is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1968, and ending June 30, 1969, out of the COUNTY DEBT SERVICE FUND the following:

Bond Maturities	\$	10,000.00
Interest Coupons		2,500.00
Bank Commissions		20.00
Tax Expense		285.00
	\$	<u>12,805.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Unexpended Balance	\$	2,856.00
Intangible Tax		450.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		1,000.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation		
@ .008¢ \$ 10,240 - 83%		8,499.00
	\$	<u>12,805.00</u>

Section 12. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated for the INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND the following:

Salary - Executive Secretary	\$	12,000.00
Salary - Clerical		4,500.00
Office Equipment		100.00
Office Expense & Miscellaneous		4,000.00
Rent		1,140.00
Travel Expense - Executive Secy.		2,000.00
Entertainment & Subsistence		1,000.00
Advertising		300.00
Property, Water, Sewer, & etc.		12,000.00
Tax Expense		971.00
Social Security Expense		542.00
Misc. Promotion (Motel & Business Cards)		300.00
	\$	<u>38,853.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Surplus	\$	4,943.00
Interest Earned		500.00
Intangible Tax		1,050.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		5,800.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 2.5c \$ 32,000 - 83%		26,560.00
	\$	<u>38,853.00</u>

Section 13. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE CURRENT EXPENSE FUND the following:

General Administrative	\$	19,972.00
Instructional Service		8,854.00
Operation of Plant		57,500.00
Maintenance of Plant		15,850.00
Fixed Charges		16,332.00
Auxiliary Services		1,968.00
Tax Expense		4,000.00
	\$	<u>124,476.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Unexpended Balance	\$	14,936.00
Intangible Tax		5,037.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		5,700.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 9.3c \$ 119,040 - 83%		98,803.00
	\$	<u>124,476.00</u>

Section 14. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND the following:

Additional Sites and Improvement to Grounds	\$	4,000.00
New Buildings & Grounds		175,000.00
Equipment, Instructional & Maintenance		2,000.00
Auxiliary Services		1,000.00
Other Costs		2,000.00
Tax Expense		250.00
	\$	<u>184,250.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Unexpended Balance	\$	2,500.00
State & Federal Appropriations		175,000.00
Intangible Tax		150.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		4,476.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ .002c \$ 2,560 - 83%		2,124.00
	\$	<u>184,250.00</u>

Section 15. That for the payment of principal and interest and necessary expense in connection therewith, there is hereby appropriated out of the SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DEBT SERVICE FUND the following:

Bond Maturities	\$	15,000.00
Interest Coupons		20,235.00
Bank Commissions		65.00
Tax Expense		825.00
	\$	<u>36,125.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Unexpended Balance	\$	6,965.00
Intangible Tax		1,100.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		1,500.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 2.5¢ \$ 32,000 - 83%		26,560.00
	\$	<u>36,125.00</u>

Section 16. That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the SCHOOL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE FUND the following:

General Control	\$	65,889.00
Instructional Service		1,191,698.00
Operation of Plant		57,850.00
Maintenance of Plant		143,600.00
Fixed Charges		58,500.00
Auxiliary Agencies		49,152.00
Tax Expense		18,648.00
Transfer to Whiteville City Schools		191,116.00
	\$	<u>1,776,453.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Federal Appropriation	\$	785,000.00
Unexpended Balance		4,500.00
Poll Tax		4,500.00
Fines, Forfeitures, & Penalties		30,000.00
Intangible Tax		19,500.00
State Reimbursements		245,345.00
Driver Training		50,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		16,000.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		34,951.00
	(s) \$	1,189,796.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 55.22¢ \$ 706,816 - 83%		586,657.00
	\$	<u>1,776,453.00</u>

Section 17. That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of COUNTY SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND the following:

Old Buildings & Grounds	\$	232,379.27
Auxiliary Agencies		38,659.00
Tax Expense		6,841.00
Transfer to Whiteville City Schools		56,576.65
	\$	<u>334,455.92</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

State & Federal Appropriations	\$	38,500.00
Unexpended Balance		50,538.00
Intangible Tax		10,400.00
Revenue - NDEA		7,000.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		20,000.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation @ 19.58 \$ 250,624 - 83%		208,017.92
	\$	<u>334,455.92</u>

Section 18. That for the payment of principal and interest and necessary expense in connection therewith, there is hereby appropriated out of the COUNTY SCHOOLS DEBT SERVICE FUND the following:

County-wide School Bond Maturities	\$	151,500.00
County-wide School Bond Interest		88,835.00
Bank Charges		356.00
Tax Expense		<u>6,930.00</u>
	\$	<u>247,621.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Unexpended Balance	\$.00
Intangible Tax		8,029.64
1967 and Prior Taxes		15,000.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation		
@ 21.14¢ \$ 270,592 - 83%		<u>224,591.36</u>
	\$	<u>247,621.00</u>

Section 19. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the REVALUATION FUND the following:

Revaluation	\$	11,514.00
Tax Expense		<u>35.00</u>
	\$	<u>11,549.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

Intangible Tax	\$	225.00
1967 and Prior Taxes		700.00
1968 Levy \$128,000,000 Valuation		
@ 1¢ \$ 12,800 - 83%		<u>10,624.00</u>
	\$	<u>11,549.00</u>

Section 20. There is hereby levied the following rates of tax on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00 valuation of taxable property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 1968 for the purpose of raising the revenue from current year's property tax, as set forth in the foregoing estimates of revenue, and in order to finance the foregoing appropriations:

General County		.1926
County Poor		.024
Special Levy: Accountant's Office & Farm Extension Service		.055
Veterans Service Officer		.005
Social Security Administration		.058
Aid to Dependent Children		.027
Old Age Assistance		.020
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled		.033
Medical Assistance to the Aged		.001
Co-Operative Health: (General Health & Mental Health)		.062
Revaluation		.010
County Debt Service		.008
Industrial Development		.025
Southeastern Community College		
Current Expense	.093	
Capital Outlay	.002	
Debt Service	<u>.025</u>	
		.120
		.6406 (s)
Schools:		
Current Expense	.5522	
Capital Outlay	.1958	
Debt Service	<u>.2114</u>	
		.9594
		1.60

Total Tax Rate \$ 1.60 per \$100 Valuation

Such rates to tax are based on an estimated total assessed valuation of property for the purpose of taxation of \$128,000,000 and an estimated rate of collections of eighty-three per cent. (83%)

Section 21. There is hereby levied a poll tax of \$2.00 on all male persons in the county between the ages of 21 and 50, unless exempt as provided by law, for the purpose of raising the revenue from current year's Poll Tax, as set forth in the foregoing estimate of revenue, and in order to finance the foregoing appropriations.

Section 22. Copies of this resolution shall be furnished to the county treasurer and county accountant, to be kept on file by them for their direction in this disbursement of funds.

TOTAL 1968 - 1969 BUDGET APPROPRIATION \$ 4,590,213.92

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner T. E. Burns, and adopted by the following:

Ayes: /s/ W. O. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ J. Roland Gore

/s/ Edward W. Williamson

/s/ H. J. Watts

/s/ T. E. Burns

Attest:

/s/ Betty S. Williamson, this the 15th day of July 1968. Clerk

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The following resolution was presented to the Board by John J. Hicks, Supt. of the Columbus County Schools and C. W. Duggins, Supt. of the Whiteville City School System:

A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO A SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Board of Education and the Whiteville City Board of Education has for several months, jointly and otherwise, caused a study of school facilities needs as it relates to new buildings and the alterations, additions, and renovations to existing buildings; and,

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Board of Education and the Whiteville City Board of Education, as a part of the study referred to above, has determined immediate, short and long-range school facilities needs; and,

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Board of Education and the Whiteville City Board of Education held a joint meeting on Monday, July 1, 1968; and,

WHEREAS, it has jointly resolved that the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County give consideration to calling for a vote of the citizens of Columbus County to issue school bonds in the amount of four million dollars (\$4,000,000), enabling the two school systems to construct new facilities and to alter, add to and renovate existing school facilities; and,

WHEREAS, by proper motion and second to the motion, the resolution was unanimously

adopted by the Columbus County Board of Education and the Whiteville City Board of Education; and,

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County give approval to the resolution and select the earliest possible date for a school bond election; and,

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Columbus County Board of Education and the Whiteville City Board of Education; and,

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be certified, with the seal affixed, and transmitted to the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County.

CERTIFICATE

I, John J. Hicks, Secretary of the Columbus County Board of Education, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said Boards at a joint meeting on Monday, July 1, 1968.

Witness my hand and seal of the Columbus County Board of Education this the 12th day of July, 1968.

I, C. W. Duggins, Secretary of the Whiteville City Board of Education, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said Boards at a joint meeting on Monday, July 1, 1968.

Witness my hand and seal of the Whiteville City Board of Education this the 12th day of July, 1968.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

SEAL

/s/ John J. Hicks
John J. Hicks, Secretary

WHITEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

SEAL

/s/ C. W. Duggins
C. W. Duggins, Secretary

The resolution was accepted by the Board of Commissioners.

The Board approved a request from the Columbus County Hospital to add space to the building to accommodate vending machines for food items for the public.

Alice Wright, Welfare Director, presented a check to the Board in the amount of \$3,743.00 which was received from the State Welfare Department as a reimbursement to Columbus County. Upon the request of Mrs. Wright and the Welfare Board part of this amount will be used for salary increases for the professional staff at the Welfare Department.

Ordered: that \$1871 of the check in the amount of \$3743.00 received as reimbursement from the State Welfare Department be used in the construction and furnishing of the Welfare Department and not more than \$1871.00 be used for salary increases .

Court
Wilton Hunt, Solicitor of Recorders, asked for a salary increase of \$100 per month due to the increased amount of time and work brought about by the additional court sessions being held to clear the backlog of cases in Recorders Court.

Ordered: that Wilton Hunt, Solicitor of Recorders Court, be paid \$100 per month about for added expense incurred by the solicitor brought/by the increased court sessions and related duties in overcoming the back log of cases in Recorders Court.

Ordered: that taxes listed in the name of Richard Powell, South Williams Township, be cancelled for the year 1967 due to double listing. This property was also listed in the name of Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and paid.

Ordered: that taxes listed in the name of C. E. White Lumber Company, Ransom Township, be cancelled for the year 1938 due to the company being out of business and there is no property remaining.

Ordered: that the personal property listed in the name of Robert Sealby, Tatum Township, be cancelled for the year 1953 due to error in listing property.

ROAD PETITION: Whiteville Township: This road is located in the Parker Development on The Prison Camp Road. It is .3 miles in length and has 6 occupied homes located on it.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until August 5, 1968 at 10:00 a.m.,

APPROVED:

Betty S. Williamson
Clerk

W. O. Johnson
Chairman