

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office February 17, 1969 at 11:00 A.M., it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

H. J. Watts, Chairman

T. E. Burns

J. Roland Gore

W. O. Johnson

Edward W. Williamson(absent)

Betty S. Williamson, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

Ordered: that the Chairman and Clerk be authorized to sign Bond, Interest, & Redemption voucher in the amount of \$25,157.79 to pay the following debt service due on March 1, 1969.

				<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
\$ 60,000	3-1-66	Community College	6 %	\$15,000.00	\$1,800.00
\$ 30,000	3-1-66	Community College	3.90%		585.00
\$ 115,000	3-1-66	Community College	4 %		2,300.00
\$ 265,000	3-1-66	Community College	4.10%		<u>5,432.50</u>
		Total Principal & Interest			\$ 25,117.50
		Exchange			<u>40.29</u>
		Total amount due			\$ 25,157.79

Ordered: that Raymond L. Creekmore, Riegelwood, N. C. be appointed to serve on the Columbus County Economic Development Commission Board of Directors for a three year term. Mr. Creekmore replaces Mr. Robert H. Aranow.

Mr. Hugh Clark appeared before the Board in behalf of the Chadbourn Rural Water Association. Mr. Clark stated that this is a non-profit organization and asked the Board if property tax for the year 1969 would be charged. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that property tax would not be charged until 1970.

Mr. Henry Duboise and Mr. J. O. Simmons of Whiteville Township appeared before the Board and requested help in tiling some ditches that is causing water to back up on their property. Mr. Duboise and Mr. Simmons were directed to go to the State Highway Commission office and request assistance.

Ordered: that Rudolph Walters be authorized to contact appropriate bulldozer agencies for the purpose of grading the area designated for the county dog pound and also to grade lot recently purchased from J. C. Lennon for parking facilities for courthouse employees.

The following motion was made by Commissioner J. Roland Gore, seconded by Commissioner W. O. Johnson and unanimously carried and ordered as hereinafter set, to wit:

WHEREAS, John Jeff Gaston Duncan and Fannie Garrell Duncan have each heretofore executed a lien to the County of Columbus to secure the County for payments by the Department of Public Welfare; and

WHEREAS, the said Fannie Garrell Duncan is recorded in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court in Columbus County in OAA Lien Book # 1, page 76; and

WHEREAS, certain property hereinafter described, a portion of which is now or heretofore has been owned by John Jeff Gaston Duncan and his wife, Fannie Garrell Duncan, either as individuals or as tenants by the entirety, and that their interest in said property has a fair market value of \$1,000.00; and

WHEREAS, R. C. Soles, Jr., County Attorney, has negotiated with the said Fannie Garrell Duncan and the heirs of John Jeff Gaston Duncan and has collected the sum of \$1,000.00 for the County of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the said Fannie Garrell Duncan and the heirs and assigns of the heirs of John Jeff Gaston Duncan have requested that the said property hereinafter described be released from the said OAA Liens as recorded in Lien Book # 1, page 76 upon the payment of said sum of \$1,000.00 to the County of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds as a fact that the foregoing is correct and that said \$1,000.00 represents and is a fair market value of the interest of Fannie Garrell Duncan and John Jeff Gaston Duncan in the property hereinafter described.

It is now therefore ordered that in consideration of \$1,000.00 paid to the County of Columbus the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the said property hereinafter described shall be and is now and forever hereafter released and discharged from the OAA Lien as recorded in OAA Lien Book #1, page 76, in the name of Fannie Garrell Duncan and any and all other OAA or Welfare Liens now held by the County of Columbus on said property whether same be expressed hereinabove referred to or not, it being the expressed intention of the Board of County Commissioners that all liens on said property with the exception of any county taxes due, shall be discharged and said property be free and clear of said liens.

Said property released from the above mentioned county lien or liens is described as follows:

Located in South Williams Township, Columbus County, State of North Carolina, first tract containing ten (10) acres as described in Deed Book #195, page 180 and particularly described as the Southwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the Northwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the Southwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of section 24 of Koch Survey.

It is expressly directed that the liens are not to be cancelled but the property hereinabove described be released therefrom and that the office of the Clerk of Superior Court shall be notified of this action so that a notation may be made on the records in the Clerk's office.

Ordered: that the real estate valuation listed in the name of Guy Towne, Whiteville Township, be reduced in the amount of \$230.00 for the years 1967 and 1968 due to double listing.

Ordered: that the real estate valuation listed in the name of Joe Sumpter, Whiteville Township, be reduced in the amount of \$2,890.00 for the year 1968 due to house burning in 1967.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until March 3, 1969 at 10:00 A.M.

APPROVED:

Betty J. Williamson
Clerk

A. J. Watts
Chairman