

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office in a special called meeting on Thursday, August 4, 1977, at 3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

C. Waldo Marlowe, Chairman

Junior W. Dew, Vice-Chairman

Edward W. Williamson

L. A. Hinson

David L. McPherson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and he stated that the purpose of the meeting was to meet with Highway Department Personnel to discuss the highways and roads in Columbus County.

Those attending the meeting were:

Arthur W. Williamson, Commissioner for Division Six (Columbus, Bladen, Harnett, Cumberland & Robeson Counties)

B. A. Mills, District Engineer

Leo Suggs, Section Foreman

The Chairman asked Mr. Williamson to make a presentation to the Board concerning the highways and roads in the County and any other remarks he wished to convey concerning his position as it related to the highway program.

Mr. Williamson made a lengthy presentation in which he conveyed the idea that he plans to work closely with the Board in making decisions regarding road improvements. He stated that his policy would be to improve the roads that would benefit the most for the amount of money spent rather than special interest groups. He invited the Board to contact him at any time to discuss road matters at his office in Chadbourn as he plans to remain in the County.

Commissioner McPherson expressed satisfaction that the Board would be allowed to have input in decision making as this has not been the immediate past policy.

Commissioner E. W. Williamson asked Highway Commissioner A. W. Williamson to comment on the proposed mosquito control program and the relation of that program to the highway department's programs and report to the Board at a later time.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until August 15, 1977, at 10:00 a.m., which is regular meeting time.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Suggs Clerk

Waldo Marlowe Chairman