The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met jointly with the Hospital Board of Trustees, Medical Staff, and Committee for Skilled Nursing Care Facility at the Hospital at 7:30 p.m., February 13, 1978, according to adjournment.

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

MEMBERS OF THE HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Clyde Wayne, Vice-Chairman

William F. Floyd

Paul Rogers, Jr.

Hartford Lennon

Ralph Rogers, Administrator

MEDICAL STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Burns, Jr., Chief-of-Staff

Dr. F. M. Carroll

Dr. W. Fred Barefoot

Dr. W. A. Greene

Dr. H. G. Walters

Dr. T. M. Bullock

Dr. John S. Munroe

Dr. Ronald Mukamal

Dr. John S. Kelly

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Leo Mercer

L. C. Green

Odom Godwin

Ernest Jacobs

L. S. Muldrow

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and he stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of using a part of the old hospital building as a skilled nursing facility. He asked for responses and feelings from those present.

The Board of Trustees indicated a willingness to cooperate in any way possible that would be beneficial to the County, but felt that information needed to be compiled to find out what can be done and to get a realistic cost determined.

Those members of the Medical Staff present almost totally supported the establishment of a facility near the Hospital as they felt that it would be prohibitive to drive to Lake Waccamaw as the time involved would take time from other patients. It was also discussed that the possibility of opening a 44-bed nursing facility might endanger the efforts of future additions of the Hospital for acute care units.

There was a lengthy discussion of various questions that could not be answered by those present. The Attorney was instructed to inquire if a "Certificate of Need" is mandatory to operating a nursing care facility and receiving Medicare & Medicaid funds.

No further action was taken and it was decided to give further consideration to points

brought out at this meeting and have a later meeting with the Hospital Board of Trustees.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and approved to purchase a 1975 4-Dr. Ford from Rodney L. Hammonds at a cost of \$2,000. to replace the auto wrecked by Civil Prepardness Coordinator, Howard Stanley.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and approved that the Attorney contract with the Hospital Board of Trustees to use the Hospital maintenance staff to start the boiler at the old hospital and other maintenance work until such time as the Board hires a maintenance employee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and approved to appropriate \$2,800 for the Sheriff's Department for additional courtroom officer salary through June 30, 1978.

The Chairman reported that the State architect had estimated that it would cost about \$10,000 to renovate and repair the portion of the old hospital to be used by the Health Department not to include painting. Further information is needed before any advertisement can be made for bids to get more specific information.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until February 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Approved:

Emogene W. Suggr

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