

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., January 15, 1979, it being third Monday.

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 the invocation was given by Commissioner McPherson.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the January 2nd meeting were approved upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner McPherson.

The Chairman announced that it was the appointed time for the public hearing for the Community Development pre-application and that any citizen could be heard. No citizen was present to be heard and Kirk Grosch, Director of Community Development, proceeded to brief the Board on the Program for which pre-application is being made and stated that it came under the Small Cities Program Act of 1977, that the maximum grant was limited to \$500,000 and must be single purpose. He stated that the target areas would be a continuation of South Chadbourn and Hallsboro.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and approved to proceed with the pre-application for the Community Development Grant.

It was further approved, upon motion by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson, that the Department of Transportation supervise the public works improvement projects being funded by CD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed that CD get informal bids to clean and grade a ditch in the Boardman area at an approximate cost of \$2,500.00.

The following tax releases were approved upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Dew:

Ordered: that a refund be given to C. C. Leggette, Tabor City, N. C., in the amount of \$19.86, due to an error in paying the wrong tax receipt. (Receipt returned) Taxes are for 1978 in South Williams Township.

Ordered: that the taxes for 1974 through 1978, listed in the name of Arthur Samuel & Joyce C. Dees, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$9,900.00 due to an error in listing a house not owned by them.

Ordered: that the 1978 taxes listed in the name of Herman Jr. and Josephine Hayes, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$3,080.00 due to an error in transferring property.

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TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REQUEST FOR EXTENSIONS FOR 1979

✓ NCR Corporation	March 1, 1979
✓ Federal Pacific Electric Company	March 31, 1979
✓ Property Tax Service Company:	
{ E.D. Systems Leasing Corp.	
{ E.D. Systems Corp.	
{ E.D.S. Service Corp.	March 31, 1979
✓ Belk Hensdale	March 1, 1979
✓ U-Haul Co. of Eastern N.C.	March 1, 1979
✓ Georgia-Pacific Corporation	March 1, 1979
✓ Allied Chemical Corporation	February 15, 1979
✓ Highlander, LTD	March 31, 1979
✓ U.C.B. Data Corp	March 1, 1979
C.&J. Tire Service (Jerry Stephens)	March 1, 1979
Cook's Dept. Store	February 15, 1979
{ Waccamaw Tractor Co.	
{ Columbus Aluminum Products(Forest Hall III)	March 31, 1979
{ Cape Fear Tractor Co.	
Firestone	March 1, 1979
Belks	
Dan Hinson Insurance Agency(Hillcrest Corp.)	March 1, 1979
RCA	March 15, 1979

Approved 1-15-79

Ordered: that the 1978 taxes listed in the name of Robert Ira Frink, Chad-
bourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$380.00 due to an error in listing.

Ordered: that the 1978 taxes listed in the name of Whiteville Independent
Baptist Church, Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$8,030.00 as this
property is tax exempt.

Ordered: that a tax release of \$3.00 on a dog be allowed for John C. Lennon, Jr.,
Western Prong Township, as Mr. Lennon is a non-resident. Taxs release is for 1978 listing.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Frank & Doretha Vandross, Rt. 1, Box 153-A,
Tabor City, N. C., South Williams Township, for Senior Citizens Exemption.

The Board of Commissioners approved tax listing extensions as follows:

United States Leasing Corporation	April 15, 1979
Coffee Time/North Carolina, Inc.	February 15, 1979
International Business Machines Corp.	March 1, 1979
Eastman Kodak Company	March 15, 1979
Waccamaw Bank & Trust Comapny	March 1, 1979
Canal Industries, Inc.	
Canal Development Corp.	
Canal Land Company	
The Gibson-Wall Company	
Gibson-Wall Merchantile Company	
Alice Rose Gibson & Maysis H. Wall	
Canal Wood Corporation	February 15, 1979
Macke Company	March 31, 1979
FCX, Inc. or Columbus FCX Service	
FCX Grain Market	March 1, 1979
Exxon Company, USA	March 31, 1979
Mobil Oil Corporation	April 15, 1979
Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.	March 31, 1979
Financial Courier Corp.	February 28, 1979
Agrico Chemical Company	February 28, 1979
Xerox Corporation	March 15, 1979
Family Dollar	April 15, 1979
Federal Paper Board Company, Inc.	March 1, 1979
NCR Corporation	March 1, 1979
Federal Pacific Electric Company	March 31, 1979
Property Service Company, E. D. Systems Leasing, E. D. Systems Corp., E.D.S. Service Corp.	March 31, 1979
Belk-Hensdale	March 1, 1979

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew
and passed to reappoint Dr. Robert A. Yates to the County Board of Health for another
term which will end December 31,1981.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner McPher-
son and passed to designate Commissioner Williamson to sign papers at the ASC Office
that pertain to the County farm and transferring the tobacco allotment when rented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew
and passed that the Agreement be signed with the Department of Human Resources to have
a needs assessment study done for Columbus County for Developmental Disabilities and
that the Departments who have relevant information work with the Department to compile
the needs study.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and
passed to authcrize the Social Services Director to co-sign checks with the Finance
Officer for checks issued by the local Social Services Office to AFDC recipients.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson
and approved that a contract be signed with Claude Elbert Boswell to work three days per

week to clean floors in the Miller Building. The rate of pay is to be \$2.90 per hour.

At 12:00 Noon the Chairman opened bids to purchase gasoline for the Sheriff's Department for one year, and read as follows:

Yam City Oil Company, Tabor City, N. C.	.03 less per gallon on tank wagon price, now .639
Lytle Oil Company, Whiteville, N. C.	.042 less per gallon on tank wagon price, no quote

Lytle Oil Company did not meet specifications, i.e, 90 octane rating and a motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to award the contract to Yam City Oil Company.

A report was given on the use of the "Votmatic" equipment in the November election by the Elections Board Chairman, Executive Secy. and the equipment Salesman. The report stated that the public poll showed that the voters liked the equipment and would prefer that the County use the equipment in the future. The Chairman presented the Board with a purchase plan with a cost of \$103,480.00 if paid when purchased.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the County advertise for the purchase of the machines(or similar type) and decide at a later date if they wish to actually purchase the equipment.

The Town Council of Tabor City and Chief of Police, Sterling Cartrette, met with the Board to request that Tabor City be furnished professional investigative service on major crimes committed within the Town. They stated that the Chief of Police had signed a letter, jointly with other chiefs, requesting the service from the County Sheriff's Department but had had no response and are now asking the Board to reinstate this service.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed that the Board meet with the Sheriff and discuss this matter with him on Tuesday, at 7:30 p.m., January 16th.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to give a check for \$50.00 each to Carroll Nance and Lonzie Hayes from the ODP Fund.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to sign a contract with E. L. Hawks Roofing, Inc. to reroof the back portion of the Old Jail Building at a cost of \$2,382.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, ~~seconded by Commissioner McPherson~~, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and approved to request the Hospital Board of Trustees to submit a Letter of Intent to the appropriate agency to renovate and construct Miller Hall for 48 beds; 24 for skilled nursing and 24 for intermediate nursing care. It was further agreed to appropriate \$3,000.00 for architect fees to assist in the preparation of the documents for submission to the Agency.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that a letter be sent to the N. C. Conservation Law Study Committee to request that all local wildlife laws be retained for Columbus County, both before and after 1977.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that Commissioners McPherson and Williamson be reappointed to the Council of Governments Committee in their same capacity as they now are for 1979.

Commissioner Dew nominated Commissioner Marlowe to serve on the Southeastern Regional Mental Health Advisory Board. Other nominations were made and withdrawn. Commissioner Marlowe was appointed by acclamation. He replaces Commissioner Hinson on the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to appoint Commissioner Hinson to serve on the Emergency Medical Advisory Council. Commissioner Hinson replaces Commissioner Dew.

Steve Reed, with the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development, presented the Water Resources Framework and Flood Control Report as it relates to Columbus County. He asked for comments from the Board on the Report. In a related matter, but not directly under Mr. Reed's Division, the Board asked questions concerning the designation of Waccamaw River as a scenic river. Some felt a decision should be made in the near future and Mr. Reed stated he would give the message to the appropriate person.

Jimmy Godwin and members of the Juvenile Task Force met with the Board to get approval to apply for funds through the Crime Control & Public Safety Division of the State Department. A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and approved that the Juvenile Task Force be appointed as the Advisory Committee, with the addition of one juvenile who is a consumer, to make application for funds under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. The funds are to be used for various services to juveniles to help reduce crime.

Other reports reviewed were:

- Tax Collector's Report for December
- Grand Jury Report for November 2nd session
- State Jail Inspector's Report

The proposed Affirmative Action Plan was discussed and the Clerk was instructed to contact Mr. Henry Molden and invite him to the February 5th meeting for further discussion.

Upon motion the meeting recessed until 7:30 p.m., January 16, 1979, to continue unfinished business.

APPROVED:

Ernestine W. Leggs
Clerk

Waldo Marlowe
Chairman