

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., October 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 (part-time)

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Commissioner Hinson.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the September 21st and October 1st were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Hinson.

Two proposals were presented to the Board by Paul Hughes to contract cleaning windows in the County buildings.

Proposals were as follows:

Blackman's Cleaning & Janitorial Service - One year contract to clean windows in Courthouse, Courthouse Annex and Administrative Building - \$3,680.00

James C. Lynn Company - Same as above \$2,100.00

Windows to be cleaned four times per year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Williamson and passed to contract the window cleaning service to James C. Lynn Company at a cost of \$2,100.00 for one year. Funds to be appropriated from Surplus.

A petition was presented to the Board by Commissioner Hinson that had been signed by 22 citizens who live in the Diamond Branch Community. The petition was questioning why the Department of Transportation does not work but a part of their road and why the road number has been removed from the post that identified the road number.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the petition be forwarded to Mr. B. A. Mills, District Engineer, DOT, and ask him to respond to the petition and inform the Board of the action taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed that the Finance Officer be allowed to destroy the following records, upon the approval of the County Attorney:

All the following are for the fiscal year 1968-69.

Columbus County Schools ESEA Check Copies - Salary & Expense  
 Columbus County Schools ESEA Title I Check Copies  
 Columbus County Schools Current Expense Check Copies  
 Columbus County Schools Debt Service Check Copies  
 Columbus County Schools Capital Outlay Check Copies  
 Deposits by County Finance Office  
 Deposits by Economic Development Commission  
 Deposits by Health Department and Mental Health Department

Deposits for Undistributed Tax Account  
 Returned Check Notices  
 Deferred Water Account Check Copies  
 Deposits for Dunn Swamp and Riegelwood Sanitary District  
 Columbus County Library Expense Check Copies  
 Southeastern Community College Current Expense Check Copies  
 Health Levy Check Copies  
 Columbus County General Fund Check Copies - Salary & Expense  
 Invoices & Supporting Data for General Fund Checks  
 Revaluation Fund Deposits for Prior Years' Taxes  
 Undistributed Tax Account Check Copies  
 Tax Distribution Deposits  
 Co-operative Health Check Copies

The following tax releases were approved upon motion by Commissioner Dew and seconded by Commissioner Williamson and upon the approval of the Tax Supervisor:

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the names of the following persons be released due to the Property Tax Relief for the Elderly and Permanently Disabled Persons Act:

James H. Williamson	Tatum Township	Valuation \$ 4,935.00
Virgil & Peggy B. Woody	Lees Township	7,500.00
Pernell King	South Williams Township	2,960.00
Leba & Grace Singletary	Bug Hill Township	7,500.00
Ernest M. & Myrtle Rhodes	Bug Hill Township	4,140.00

Ordered: That the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Jimmy O. Bellamy & Wife, Lees Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,070.00 due to an error in transferring 10.42 acres of property valued at \$1,070.00.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of R. L. Cumbee, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,140.00 due to an error in transferring property.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Bobbie Holmes, Fair Bluff Township, be released in Cole's Service District as he does not own property in the District.

Ordered: That the Late List Penalty on the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Bernard Kachiaper, Ransom Township, be cancelled due to property being listed in January which is not late listing.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Arthur & Pazavor Mitchell, Welches Cerrk Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,400 due to an error in copying real estate.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Rufus K. Gore, Rt. 2, Tabor City, N. C., South Williams Township, in the amount of \$44.40 for Senior Citizens Exemption.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Interlease Corporation, Two Landmark Square, Stamford, Connecticut, Ransom Township, in the amount of \$48.00 for 1979 taxes double listed.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Ricky Edge, Rt. 6, Box 181A, Whiteville, NC, in the amount of \$76.20 due to an error in listing 76.34 acres of land in 1979.

The following was recommended by the Tax Collector:

Ordered: that a refund be given to Jabe Wilson Sasser, Rt. 1, Box 40, Whiteville, NC, in the amount of \$133.19 for 1974, 1975, 1978, and 1979 taxes paid in error in Lees Township.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to approve the application of the Adventure Program for the Juvenile Task Force, to

be paid from Community Based Alternatives funds. This Program will be administered by Southeastern Community College and will not involve any County funds.

The following Resolution was approved upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Dew:

WHEREAS, Commissioner L. A. Hinson presented the original boundary map for East Columbus Fire District, along with a description of said boundary, to the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Board agrees to allow Lake Waccamaw Fire Department to provide fire protection to the area of the County designated in the description presented to the Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that the boundary map and description of said boundary of the East Columbus Fire District are hereby approved by the Board and the description of said boundary is recorded as follows:

Beginning at point (1) at the intersection of US Highway 74-76 and Road 1736; thence northeasterly to point (2) on Road 1735, 1.0 mile northwest of its intersection with Road 1748; thence southeasterly to point (3) on Road 1740, 1.3 miles northeast of its intersection with Road 1739; thence southeasterly to point (4) on US Highway 74-76, 1.0 mile east of its intersection with NC Highway 214; thence southerly to point (5) on Road 1947, 1.8 miles southeast of its intersection with NC Highway 214; thence southwesterly to point (6) on Road 1967, 1.0 mile southeast of its intersection with Road 1901; thence northwesterly to point (7) at the intersection of Roads 1901 and 1902, including property on Road 1901 between this and the preceding point; thence northeasterly to point (8) on Road 1957, 0.1 mile west of its intersection with Road 1963; thence northeasterly to point (1), the beginning. This description excludes all property within the City of Lake Waccamaw.

A letter, along with a deed and lease, were presented to the Board from Whiteville Community Development to transfer property to the County that is adjoining the present airport property. The property is now being leased to persons to construct hangers at the Airport and at the end of fifteen years the lease will expire and be subject to lease for additional periods under the same conditions as the present lease.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to accept the property, subject to the approval of the County Attorney. (Deed recorded in Book No. 319, Page 294).

At 12:00 Noon the Chairman announced that it was time to open bids for the publication of the County historical book.

One bid was received at the Library and was opened by mistake as it was not identified on the outside as a bid. Also, no bid deposit was enclosed.

No other bids were received by mail or in person. Seeman Printing Company, by phone, quoted a bid which they had mailed, but had not been received.

The minimum cost for 3000 copies of the book by Seeman Printing Company was \$17,665.00, with an additional \$562.50 for eight additional pages, if needed.

The minimum cost quoted by Edwards & Broughton Company for 3000 copies was \$25,399.00, with \$689.00 for eight additional pages, if needed.

Due to the absence of the Attorney, no decision was made. Ms. Bible is to consult with the Attorney to see what steps need to be taken to proceed with the advertising and if necessary a special meeting will be called to dispose of the matter.

The following Reports were presented to the Board for review:

Tax Collector's Report for September

Register of Deeds' Report for September

Economic Development Director's Report of activities for the months of May through September.

Ms. Jane Fonvielle, contact person for Congressman Charlie Rose's Office, met with the Board to introduce herself and invite questions or comments they wish to be passed on to Congressman Rose.

Commissioner Williamson requested the establishment of an honor guard for military funerals.

Commissioner McPherson stated that he would like to see guidelines changed so that rural areas would be eligible for a more equitable share of federal grants, especially housing.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until November 5, 1979, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Suggs  
Clerk

Walden M. Nelson  
Chairman