

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., November 19, 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 November 5th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Hinson.

David Upchurch, with Koonce, Noble & Associates, and Ms. Edith Greene, Mayor of Bolton, met with the Board and presented a plan for the Town of Bolton to install a water system. The total cost of the plan is \$600,000.00 with expected financing to be \$147,200.00 from Clean Water Bond Funds; \$300,000.00 FHA Grant and \$152,800.00 to be a loan from FHA. The system is designed to serve 200 homes and/or businesses. The Engineer asked for a letter from the Board stating that the plan does not conflict with any of the County's plans.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed that a letter be sent to Farmers Home Administration stating that there is no conflict between the plans for the water system for the Town of Bolton and the County's present or long range plans.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to change the name of Civil Preparedness to Emergency Management to become effective on November 28th which is the next meeting time for the Association of Rescue Squads in the County and is to be announced at that time. The reason for the change is to be consistent with State and Federal agencies who have already made the change.

There was a discussion of the purchase of a radio for the Chadbourn Rescue Squad. Application has been made through the Council of Governments for a grant for partial payment of the radio but has not been approved at this time. Subject to the approval of the grant, a motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed that the County appropriate \$474.20 to assist the Chadbourn Rescue Squad in the purchase of a radio, with \$1,300.00 to be furnished by a grant and \$474.20 to be furnished by the Squad.

The following Mutual Aid Agreement was approved upon motion by Commissioner Dew:

COLUMBUS COUNTY DISASTER RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE PLAN-CIVIL PREPAREDNESS AGREEMENT

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

NORTH CAROLINA

COLUMBUS COUNTY

THIS AGREEMENT, made this the 19th day of November, 1979, by and between Columbus County, and _____, an incorporated city, town or village, both of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as "party of the first part" and _____ County and _____ an incorporated city, town or village, both of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as "party of the second part".

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, a disaster is an occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or man-made accidental, military or paramilitary cause; and

WHEREAS, each party desires to provide its residents all possible assistance in and protection from disasters; and

WHEREAS, each party can provide the other mutual aid in time of disaster since they are geographically adjacent;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to GS 166A-10 and other applicable laws, the party of the first part and the party of the second part agree as follows:

1. That should either party require the aid of the other, because of local state of emergency or disaster, the local Civil Preparedness Coordinator (Disaster Preparedness) of party requiring aid shall make a request for aid to the Local Civil Preparedness Coordinator (Disaster Preparedness) of the party to this agreement.
2. That each party hereby authorizes and grants to its own local Civil Preparedness Coordinator (Disaster Preparedness), the authority to give to, use and expand for the benefit of the other party to this agreement all available resources needed to assist the requesting party in providing reasonable and adequate protection for the residents of the requesting party.
3. That the party who is requested to extend aid may withhold resources necessary to provide reasonable and adequate protection for its community;
4. That unless otherwise specified, the Civil Preparedness (Disaster Preparedness) forces of the party extending aid will continue to operate under the command and control of their own leaders but those units actually rendering the requested aid will come under the operational control of the Civil Preparedness (Disaster Preparedness) authorities of the party receiving aid;
5. That the party of the first part and the party of the second part will each bear the entire responsibility for any cost, expense, supplies or equipment, compensation, injury, and physical needs of personnel while the said parties or their personnel are both acting pursuant to this Mutual Aid Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and seals as of the date set forth above.

ATTEST

COUNTY OF COLUMBUS:

/s/ Emogene W. Suggs
Clerk to the Board

/s/ Waldo Marlowe SEAL
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

TOWN OF

Clerk

Mayor/Manager

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to amend the budget of the Health Department to reflect the actual amount of the grants for each clinic as follows:

Family Planning	\$79,290.00
Maternal & Child Care	62,541.00
School Health (MCH)	8,355.00
Perinatal Care (MCH)	3,000.00
W.I.C.	68,424.00
T.B.	16,751.00
Glaucoma - Diabetes	7,649.00
Hypertension	15,000.00
Home Health	10,185.00
Home Health (Local & 3rd Party)	50,544.00

The above clinics are funded 100% by Federal, State and Reimbursement funds.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to accept the Annual Audit Report as presented by Moore & Price, PA. for County funds for the FY ending June 30, 1979.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to purchase two, six thousand gallon tanks rather than one, twelve thousand gallon tank as discussed in the meeting of November 5th. Advertisement has been made to purchase the tanks earlier but no bids were received.

Bobbie DeWitt met with the Board to report on the latest information on CETA Programs. She stated that no replacements can be made at this time due to no new funds having been appropriated by Congress. The freeze is on all positions with no exceptions. She asked the Board to work closely with the CETA office and keep informed on new developments. Ms. DeWitt asked for a salary increase of \$186.00 per month and the Board told her this request would be considered later in the meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to send a resolution to Congress in support of CETA funding and request that the CETA Programs be continued, especially Title II-D and VI which are now being operated by the County.

Informal bids were presented to the Board to clean the carpet and upholstery in the Administration Building in the downstairs area as follows:

Davis Carpet Cleaning	\$400.00
Haley's Cleaning Service	315.00

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson

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and passed to hire Haley's Cleaning Service to clean the carpet and upholstery in the downstairs area of the Administration Building at a cost of \$315.00.

At Noon it was announced that a public hearing was open for any citizen who wished to be heard concerning the pre-application for a Community Development Grant. Only one Citizen, George Allen, was present and his interest was in obtaining funds for a recreation development near the Fieldcrest Mill area.

Melissa Sigmon made a presentation concerning the pre-application for the Community Development Block Grant for rehabilitation of housing for Columbus County which is a priority for HUD funds. In her statement she said that she felt that areas around Hallsboro and outside the town limits of Brunswick were the high priority areas as defined by HUD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that a more intensive study be made by the Council of Governments on the suggested target areas and report back to the Board when finished.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed that the salaries of the Extension Service employees be prorated so that the County ~~and State~~ pays the same percentage on each salary with the total County appropriation remaining the same.

Bids were opened to select a printer for the County's historical book and recorded as follows:

The Seeman Printery, Durham-Chapel Hill	
Base bid for 3000 copies at estimated 250 pages	\$ 15,140.00
For each additional eight pages	416.00
Dust jackets	251.00
For each additional 500 copies	1,289.00
Heritage Printers, Charlotte	No Bid

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to contract with The Seeman Printery to print the County's historical book as per bid quoted above. In addition to the bid, Seeman Printery will print gift certificates at cost if the County so desires, so that copies may be sold before publication at a reduced cost. It was agreed that the prepublication price of the book would be \$10.00 and after publication, \$12.50. It was further agreed that 3,500 books be printed.

Ms. Berline Graham, Community Service Specialist, Bureau of Census, met with the Board and made a presentation on the upcoming decennial census taking. She stated that her goal is to reach the Indians and Blacks in the County and inform them on the uses of the census. This census is to be a population and housing count and is used to allocate the fair share of federal funds to each community for numerous federal programs and grants.

The census are also used for equal apportionment of representatives in the government. Ms. Graham's presentation was very informative.

Karen Chester, Field Consultant for Developmental Disabilities, presented a study on the needs of Columbus County for persons with disabilities and made recommendations in the report to develop the disabilities by suggesting services that could be offered by the County. No action was taken by the Board but each Member was given a copy of the Study to review.

The Grand Jury Report was reviewed by the Board.

In the afternoon there was a meeting of the Department Heads and the Board for the discussion of any problems that needed to be brought before the Board.

There was a brief discussion on conserving energy and enforcing the federal guidelines. No definite answers/are available until Howard Stanley attends a seminar and at that time another meeting will be held to pass on the information on the regulations.

Commissioner McPherson suggested that the County Departments get together and appoint a committee to be in charge of the Christmas party if the employees wish to continue having a party. This would replace one office being in charge of the party which is a hardship on many offices.

The County Attorney explained that the Board had given all employees a 7% salary increase at the beginning of the fiscal year and this is the limit on the President's guidelines for inflation and that Department Heads should not request additional increases during this fiscal year.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until December 3, 1979, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Leggs
Clerk

Waldo Marlowe
Chairman