

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., June 16, 1980, 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 (Absent) Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by the Reverend Robert Thomas, Pastor, Old Zion Methodist Church.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the meetings of May 27th and June 2nd were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Dew with the following correction: Commissioner Williamson was absent from the May 27th meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to allow the Budget Officer to transfer funds between line items in the Airport budget, including capital outlay, but no increase in revenue.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to amend the budget for the Board of Elections to cover the cost of expenses in the amount of \$13,000.00 to be appropriated from Surplus.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to amend the Library Budget to include the following funds:

Appropriation of Surplus	\$10,000.00
Gifts, fines and fees	5,428.00
Columbus County Arts Council	1,048.00
CETA Administrative Expense	982.00
East Columbus Library Friends	863.00
Sale of Book	4,527.00

Expenditures to be itemized and submitted to the Finance Officer in the same amount. No additional funds are to be appropriated from the General Fund.

A budget request from the College was presented to transfer funds between line items for College Current Expense Budget. No approval is necessary for this transaction as permission is given in the Budget Resolution to allow the Finance Officer to approve line item transfers with no increase in appropriations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the Chairman be authorized to sign a Contract with Burns & Maxwell, Attorneys, to continue to represent the Department of Social Services in their obligations under Section 128 through 140 of Chapter 110 of the North Carolina General Statutes & United States Public Law 93-647 (Child Support Enforcement).

At 10:30 a.m. a public hearing was held, jointly with Officials of DOT, to allow citizens to be heard on Secondary Roads Improvement Program for 1980-81. Approximately 35 citizens appeared to be heard on SR # 1161, 1111, 1802, 1906, 1967, and 1941 to request improvements on these roads.

The following Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION FOR PRIORITIES FOR SECONDARY ROADS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL 1980-1981 IN COLUMBUS COUNTY" was unanimously passed upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Dew:

WHEREAS, Department of Transportation Officials have said that funds in the amount of \$486,976.00 have been allocated to Columbus County for improvement of secondary roads for fiscal year 1980-81;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County request and recommend that the list of roads scheduled for improvements within Columbus County read as follows:

SR 1362	From SR 1323 to 1322 - 0.6 mile Grade, Drain, Base & Pave	\$ 50,000.00
SR 1557	From SR 1558 east 0.5 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	30,000.00
SR 1555	From SR 1585 west 0.6 mile Grade, Drain, Base & Pave	60,000.00
Dale Road Addition	From SR 1836 south 0.5 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	20,000.00
SR 1432	From SR 1433 to SR 1428 - 0.9 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	35,000.00
SR 1967	From SR 1901 to dead end - 2.6 miles Stabilize	35,000.00
SR 1911	From SR 1904 south 0.5 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	25,000.00
SR 1726	From SR 1730 west 0.5 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	25,000.00
SR 1721	From SR 1001 to SR 1720 - 1.0 mile Drain & Stabilize	25,000.00
SR 1927	From NC 130 north 1.1 miles Base & Pave	44,000.00
SR 1364	From SR 1355 to dead end - 0.6 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	30,000.00
SR 1530	Extend existing project 0.4 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	20,000.00
SR 1161	From SR 1157 south 0.5 mile Grade Drain & Stabilize	20,000.00
SR 1426	From SR 1317 south 0.5 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	20,000.00
SR 1417	From SR 1004 north 0.5 mile Grade, Drain & Stabilize	25,000.00
SR 1936	From NC 905 to SR 1943 - 1.2 miles Base & Pave	22,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that in the next allocation of funds for Columbus County that the following secondary roads be given first priorities for improvements:

SR 1713,1802,1148,and 1554

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that funds allocated to SR 1401 be transferred to SR 1504 as right-of way cannot be obtained for SR 1504.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/S/ C. Waldo Marlowe, Chairman

ATTESTED:

/s/ Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

Officials from the Department of Transportation present at this hearing were A. W. Williamson, Board Member, E. J. Butler, Division Engineer and B. A. Mills, District Engineer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to allow the Library to use carry over funds and funds available due to a vacant position to continue to hire the temporary position as assistant childrens' librarian which was not approved in the budget request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Williamson to transfer Willie Nance, CETA Janitorial Employee, to the Miller Building because of his resignation at the Law Enforcement Center.

Commissioners McPherson, Dew and Marlowe voted not to allow the transfer and the motion was not carried.

Howard Stanley, Emergency Management Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss the distribution of the Disaster Hospital equipment which has been distributed to various health related agencies in the County.

Mr. Stanley stated that he has a jet water pump and a water tank still in his possession and it was recommended that these items be designated to a public works facility, but was not mandatory. After considering various alternatives the Board agreed that the water pump and tank be picked up and stored by Paul Hughes, County Building Supervisor.

Donnie Beck, local business owner, met with the Board and offered a preventive maintenance agreement with the County to maintain County vehicles and equipment to prevent greater costs in repairs. He discussed the plan briefly and the Board designated Commissioner Dew to talk further with Mr. Beck and evaluate his proposal in detail. He is to report to the Board at a later meeting on the possibilities of Mr. Beck's proposal that would be of interest to the County.

On May 27, 1980, the Board of Commissioners met with officials from the Chadbourn Volunteer Fire Department and the Mayor of Chadbourn to discuss setting up a fire

district in the area surrounding the Town of Chadbourn. The Board agreed and passed a motion to proceed with the necessary work to set up the district as requested. Those attending the meeting did not present the necessary documents to begin the work and the requirements of the General Statutes would not allow the district to be set up this fiscal year because of the time requirements for notices, public hearings, etc. and the matter is delayed until a later date to be determined by the Chadbourn Officials.

Tommy Fields, Agriculture Technician, submitted a letter of resignation to the Board and it was accepted with regrets.

The Tax Collector's Report for the month of May, 1980, was presented to the Board for review. The collection rate for 1979 taxes is 92.57%.

The following tax releases were approved upon motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and recommended by the Tax Supervisor/Tax Collector:

Ordered: that the 1979 Late List Pickup of Rita G. & Danny G. Davis, Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,430 due to double listing.

Ordered: that the 1980 tax release of Dixie Equipment Company, Ransom Township, be voided that was approved in the June 2, 1980, meeting.

Ordered: that a refund be given to C. M. Powell Heirs, South Williams Township, for 1979 taxes in the amount of \$36.60. Taxes were paid twice through error.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed to C. M. Powell Hiers, South Williams Township, be released in the amount of \$126.72 as this property is not located in Columbus County.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until June 26, 1980, at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Suggs
Clerk

Waldo Malcoe
Chairman