

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., June 1, 1981, it being first Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Edward W. Williamson, Chairman

L. A. Hinson, Vice-Chairman

C. Waldo Marlowe

Junior W. Dew

Lynwood Norris

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 minutes of the May 18th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Norris.

The following business was transacted:

The following tax releases were approved upon motion by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Norris and recommended by Tax Supervisor, Ralph Jolly:

Ordered: that the 1980 taxes listed in the name of Walter Lee Clark, Western Prong Township, be released on the valuation of \$420.00 due to error in acreage of land listed.

Ordered: that the 1976 through 1980 taxes listed in the name of Faye Wray, Inc., South Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$9,000.00 due to a building having burned.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Elbert McPherson, Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$19,860.00 as the property belongs to Beaverdam Freewill Baptist Church.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed that the County allow any incorporated town in the County to deposit dry sludge in the County's landfill from their wastewater treatment plants provided that they meet the requirements set out by the Department of Human Resources which requires testing and certification that the sludge does not contain hazardous materials. No amount of time that any Town will be allowed to use the landfill is specified and is to be at the will of the Board.

The Honorable Thomas Elliott, Mayor, Town of Lake Waccamaw, met with the Board to ask support from the Board in action to retain property within the Town of Lake Waccamaw as a public beach. The property in question is approximately 945 feet x 70/90 feet of the waterfront in front of property owned by Dewey Hill, and according to Mr. Elliott, has been designated by previous property owners as property dedicated to the "good people" as a public access to the lake. Mr. Elliott gave a history of the property from the time it was owned by Josiah Maulsby in 1845 up to the present time with the property changing owners several times but the deeds contained a map showing the property in question as being public property. Mr. Elliott stated that Mr. Hill obtained a "quickclaim deed" to the property from the State and some heirs of Mr. Maulsby. He also stated that he does not feel that the Town of Lake

Waccamaw should ~~not~~ fight a lawsuit alone and requested that the County join the Town and others if they enter suit, which has not been decided at this time. He stated that the Town held a public hearing and much interest was shown by the public to keep the "public beach". Also attending the meeting with Mr. Elliott were Kent Patrick, Ernest Jacobs and C. R. Ward.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to enter suit to retain the property for the rightful owner, subject to the Town of Lake Waccamaw and others jointly entering the suit. Commissioner Dew stated that the funds should not come from County funds but by private contributions.

Commissioners Norris and Marlowe did not vote on the issue.

Mr. Kent Patrick presented the Board with the following resolution requesting County funds be appropriated for WSDA, but named no specific amount:

WHEREAS, the Waccamaw Siouan Development Association, Incorporated, was organized to analyze and develop solutions for the health, educational, economic and general welfare problems of rural poor Indians in Columbus County and Bladen County; and

WHEREAS, goals, objectives and activities have been planned by the Tribal Board of Directors to address these priorities; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Columbus County have the authority to appropriate county funds; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Board of Directors request appropriations from the Columbus County 1982 Budget for administrative purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT, Sammie Jacobs, Chairman of the Waccamaw Siouan Development Association, Incorporated, acting as signatory official and representative, be directed and authorized to act in connection with this request.

The above resolution is hereby adopted by 7/9 vote of the Tribal Board of Directors of the Waccamaw Siouan Development Association, Incorporated, this the 28th day of May, 1981.

/s/ Sammie Jacobs, Chairman	/s/ Willie Patrick	/s/ E. S. Jacobs, Member
/s/ Theresa Blanks, Treasurer	/s/ William Moore, Member	/s/ Lofton Jacobs, Member
/s/ Harry Jacobs, Member	/s/ Judy Green, Secretary	

Absent Ervin Jacobs, Vice-President

No action was taken by the Board but will be considered in the budget work sessions.

Attorney Hill came into the meeting at 10:55

Bill Calamas, Representative of Fred S. James Company met with the Board to discuss the plan whereby counties may participate in a self-insurance plan for Workmen's Compensation coverage.

The following resolution was passed by the Board upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Dew:

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND TO JOIN THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS JOINT RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND

WHEREAS, Columbus County is required to provide payment of workers' compensation claims of employees; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Joint Risk Management Agency has been established by counties pursuant to GS 153A-445 (a) (1) and GS 160A-464; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for Columbus County to join the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Joint Risk Management Agency and participate in its workers' compensation fund in order to provide a method of risk sharing for workers' compensation claims of its employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County hereby adopts the interlocal agreement entitled "Interlocal Agreement for a Group Self-Insurance Fund for Workers' Compensation Risk Sharing", and thereby joins and agrees to participate in the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Joint Risk Management Agency which has been formed to create a group fund to pay and service the workers' compensation claims of the employees of the counties and other local agencies joining the Agency.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Edward W. Williamson is authorized to execute the application to join the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Joint Risk Management Agency.

This the 1st day of June, 1981.

/s/ Edward W. Williamson  
Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: /s/ Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The above action is subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to sign a contract with Moore and Price, PA, for the annual audit of county funds for 1980-81.

A document composed of the budget requests from all departments, in budget form, was presented to the Board, along with comments by the Budget Officer for their consideration to arrive at a tax rate for 1981 taxable property. A public hearing was set to be held on June 22, 1981, at 7:30 pm, in the County Courthouse to allow the public to be heard concerning the proposed budget.

The following budget amendment was passed upon motion by Commissioner Marlowe and seconded by Commissioner Dew:

Increase 10-592-44B, Delivery Services in the amount of \$6,224.00  
Increase 10-350-01, State Grants in the same amount.

There is no increase in County funds.

Upon Attorney Hill being informed of the action taken by the Board concerning the Lake Waccamaw property he stated that he has been the Attorney in the past for Mr. Dewey Hill concerning the acquisition of the Lake property and cannot serve as the County's attorney in the resolution of the matter.

The Board agreed to furnish free copies of the requested budget to the news media but all other persons would be charged the regular fee for per page copies.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until June 1, 1981, at 7:30 pm, to consider the budget requests.

Emogene W. Soggs  
Clerk

APPROVED:

David W. Deane  
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 p.m., June 1, 1981, according to adjournment.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Edward W. Williamson, Chairman

L. A. Hinson, Vice-Chairman

C. Waldo Marlowe

Junior W. Dew

Lynwood Norris

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney (Part-time)

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and he announced that the purpose of the meeting was to work on the budget and make decisions to reduce the tax rate.

The Board agreed to not increase their own salaries as the first decision in holding the expenses of County government down.

A motion was made by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to not hire any new employees this budget year.

Several decisions were made to cut various department budgets as they were reviewed individually and several suggestions were discussed concerning salary increases for county employees but no final decision was made at this time.

Others present at this meeting were Ila Penny, J. T. Smith, Frank Merritt, Alton Williamson and Delmas Hooks.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until June 2, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. to continue unfinished business.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Suggs  
Clerk

Edward W. Williamson  
Chairman