The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 9:30 a.m., July 6, 1982, according to adjournment to hold a public hearing.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Junior W. Dew, Chairman

Lynwood Norris, Vice-Chairman

Edward W. Williamson

L. A. Hinson

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

Absent:

C. Waldo Marlowe

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

The hearing was called to order by the Chairman and he stated the purpose of the hearing was to consider the closing of SR 1515 in the Evergreen area of the County.

Others present at the hearing were Corbett Fields and Benton Walton, Attorney.

The Chairman asked if anyone present wished to be heard and Mr. Benton stated that he was present on behalf of Mr. Fields whose property if Divided by SR,1515. The stated that they have had no objections to the closing of the Road and no one was present at this hearing to protest the closing of said Road.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the following order be passed upon the approval of the County Attorney:

The Board of Commissioners finds as a fact that there was no opposition to the closing of SR 1515 described below; that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners is satisfied that closing SR 1515 is not contrary to the public interest and that no individual owning property in the vicinity of the road would thereby be deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress to his property and that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners by unanimous vote is of the opinion that the following Order is proper and should be made and that the same is made by it in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Columbus County, North Carolina, and the closing is not contrary to the public interest.

IT IS NOW, THEREFORE, ORDERED that State Road 1515 described below be and the same is hereby ordered closed permanently pursuant to the provisions of NCGS 153A-241 and the area permanently closed is described as follows:

All of SR 1515 which is bounded on both sides by lands owned by Corbett Fields, said SR 1515 being located in Tatum Township, Columbus County, North Carolina.

Unanimously adopted this the 6th day of July, 1982.

/s/ Junior W. Dew, Chairman Board of County Commissioners Columbus County

ATTEST:

/s/ Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk Board of County Commissioners Columbus County

The Resolution concerning the closing of the above Road was passed by the Board of Commissioners on June 7, 1982.

Upon motion the meeting recessed until 10:00 a.m., July 6, 1982, which will be the regular meeting time.

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The Board of Commissioners adjourned from the public hearing into regular session at 10:00 a.m., July 6, 1982, Monday being a legal holiday.

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The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Reverend Walter Jones, Columbus Baptist Association.

The following business was transacted:

A motion was made by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to appoint Roscoe Enzor to continue as Tax Collector for another year and Ralph Jolly be appointed as Tax Supervisor for another two-years.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to appoint the following persons to the Council on the Status of Women:

Helen Gamble Linda Howell

Caletta Faulk Linda Ward Bridgette Williamson

Linda Howell Linda Ward Judy Sarvis Peggy Blackmon

Georgia Jacobs on Teresa Triplett

Connie Jacobs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to remove two automobiles from the inventory for the Sheriff's Department as follows: 1976 Ford - F6135241259 and 1977 Ford 7U63C181704. Parts have been used from these two automobiles for repairs to other vehicles at the Sheriff's Department and have been stripped of usable parts. Also, after these two cars were wrecked insurance settlements were made and funds paid to the County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to appoint Junior Dew as the voting delegate for Columbus County, to the NCACC Annual Conference in Raleigh. Further, they appointed Ralph Jolly to solicit door prizes to take to the Conference.

At 10:30 a.m. the Chairman announced that bids would be opened to purchase gasoline and Diesel fuel for use by the County for one year. Bids were received as follows:

Yam City Oil Company Tabor City, NC Regular Unleaded 117.9 gal.

Premium Unleaded 122.9 gal

Diesel 112.8

Collier Gas Company

Whiteville, NC

126.8 gal

129.8 gal

118.25

No bid deposit was included in the bid from Collier Gas Company and therefore was disallowed. A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to award the bid for the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel from Yam City Oil Company for one year, ending July 6, 1983.

Informal bids had been received to purchase and install a heating/air conditioning system at the County Hall as follows:

Skipper Heating & Air Conditioning

Rt. 5

Whiteville, NC

Per Specifications

\$24,819.71

Hinnants' Inc.

Whiteville, NC

23,500.00

Pridgen Brothers, Inc.

(1) 24,800.00

Whiteville, NC

(2) 22,800.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to award the bid to Hinnants' Inc. to install a heating and air conditioning system at County Hall at a cost of \$23,500.00 as specified in their bid proposal.

At 11:00 Commissioner Williamson asked to be excused to go to the Board of Elections but to return later.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Marlowe that the County advertise for a County Administrator.

The Chairman stated that he thought they should delay taking a vote until Mr. Williamson returned to the meeting. At 11:02 Commissioner Marlowe was excused to go to the Board of Elections to return later.

At this time the meeting recessed until 11:45.

Ila Penny, Register of Deeds, met with the Board to discuss the purchase of the copying machine that is now located in her office and has been leased for the past five years. No decision was made at this time by the Board but asked the Attorney to draw specifications for a copying machine should they decide to purchase a new machine rather than continue to lease one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to contract with Moore & Price, PA, to prepare the the audit for HUD for the two-year period ending June 30, 1982.

At this time the Chairman asked for discussion on Commissioner Hinson's motion to advertise for a County Administrator and then a vote was taken as follows:

Voting in favor of the motion to advertise for a County Administrator were Commissioners Hinson, Marlowe and Williamson.

Voting against the motion to advertise for a County Administrator were Commissioners Norris and Dew.

After further discussion Commissioner Williamson asked to withdraw his affirmative vote and the Board get together on guidelines and job description. He was advised that he could not withdraw his vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson to rescind the prior action to advertise for a County Administrator and make further decisions on guidelines etc. at a special meeting or at the next regular meeting. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Norris. Voting in favor of rescinding the previous motion were Williamson and Norris.

Voting against rescinding the previous motion were Commissioners Marlowe, Hinson and Dew $\psi$  The motion was not rescinded.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to set the salary range for advertising for a County Administrator t \$25,000.00 to \$35,000.00 and to receive applications for 30 days.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to hire Junior Cribb for the County Veterans' Service Officer to work with Hugh Nance until he retires. It was further ordered that when the Service Officer is out of the office, that one of the clerks in the Tax Collector's office assist as a part-time secretary. This person will be selected by Mr. Enzor, Tax Collector.

After Mr. Nance retires, Mr. Cribb will continue as Service Officer.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until July 19, 1982, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

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