

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 A.M., January 17, 1983, it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

L. A. Hinson, Chairman

Junior W. Dew, Vice-Chairman

C. Waldo Marlowe

Lynwood Norris

Larry M. Buffkin

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Richard B. Self, County Administrator/Clerk

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 3rd meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Marlowe and seconded by Commissioner Norris.

ROAD ABONDONMENT - SR 1885

Reverend Robert Compton, Minister of Prosper Baptist Church, came before the Board requesting the abandonment of SR 1885 as it serves no useful purpose and has not been maintained by the state for a number of years.

Mr. Robert Crumpler, District Engineer with the North Carolina Department of Transportation stated to the Board that the State has no objection for the abandonment of SR 1885.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed that the following resolution be adopted for abandonment of SR 1885 and that notice of public hearing be published.

ABONDONMENT SR 1885 RESOLUTION

The Columbus County Board of Commissioners at its regular meeting held on January 17, 1983, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that State Road 1885 is not serving any useful purpose; and

WHEREAS, Robert Compton, Minister of Prosper Baptist Church, has heretofore met with this Board and requested that State Road 1885 be closed; and

WHEREAS, a representative of the North Carolina Department of Transportation has advised the Board that the Department of Transportation did not have any objection to the closing of State Road 1885; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County acting pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 153A-241, hereby declares its intent to close State Road 1885, which road is located in Ransom Township, and a public hearing on the question of closing of this road is hereby called.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that a public hearing be and it is hereby set for February 21, 1983 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' Room in the Administrative Building, Whiteville, North Carolina, and that public notice of said hearing be published in the News Reporter for once a week for four (4) successive weeks, which publication shall be January 20, 27, and February 3, 10, 1983, so that all parties having any interest or affected by the proposed closing of State Road 1885 may be present and be heard.

Unanimously adopted, this 17th day of January, 1983.

ATTEST:

/s/ Richard B. Self, Clerk

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman

SECONDARY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Robert Crumpler, North Carolina Department of Transportation District Engineer, presented the Board with a figure of \$421,390.00 in funds available to the county for improving secondary roads due to some projects being dropped because of right-of-way problems and also from finished projects which did not expend all the funds appropriated. He recommended the following roads for improvement and strengthening: State Road 1001, 1108, 1112, 1308, 1332, 1346, 1414, 1717, 1845, 1846, 1939.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew and seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to accept the recommendations of the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Secondary Road Improvements with the following additions upgraded State Road 1158 and 1906.

CHILD RESTRAINT LOANER PROGRAM

Mr. Steve Smith, Health Department Administrator, presented to the Board for approval, a Child Restraint Loaner Program which would allow the Health Department to work in conjunction with the Whiteville Lions Club in obtaining 50 safety seats which will enable them to obtain an additional 50 seats from the Governor's Highway Safety Program. This program will make seats available to poor families for a small rental fee. The seats can be rented from the Lions Club for \$5.00 annually, or 50¢ per month.

Mr. Paul Pope, Member of the Lions Club, stated that the Health Department would only distribute the seats and the Lions Club would be responsible for collecting the rental fee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to endorse the Infant Safety Seat Program.

OFFENDER AID AND RESTORATION

Mrs. Barbara S. Graham, Executive Director, Offender Aid and Restoration of Wilmington, presented the Board with a proposal, at the request of the judges and probation officers, which would allow offenders of non-violent crime to be sentenced to perform public service jobs for the County, rather than going to jail.

Mr. Gary Bass, Columbus County Probation Officer, reported to the Board that some counties are already using this program and he recommends it for Columbus County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and unanimously carried that the Board withhold a decision until Attorney Jim Hill could research the possible legal liabilities the program might pose on the County.

SOUTHEASTERN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mr. Jack Ervin, Executive Director, Columbus County Economic Development Commission briefed the Board on the function, benefits and goals of the Southeastern Economic Development Commission. Mr. Ervin recommended that the County continue its membership with the EDA program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to endorse Columbus County as a charter member of Southeastern Economic Development Commission.

PROPOSED HAZARDOUS WASTE ORDINANCE

The Administrator presented the Board with a draft of the Hazardous Waste Ordinance which has been completed for inspection. He recommended that Federal UCR40 260-261 be included by reference.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to set a public hearing for reviewing the ordinance on February 21, 1983 at 9:00 A.M. Also, the County Administrator is to mail a copy of the proposed Ordinance to any industry in the county which might be affected by the Ordinance.

DISCUSSION ON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING TIME

Commissioner Buffkin requested that the Board consider changing one of its two monthly meetings to a night meeting as he had several citizens and groups to request this.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to continue the County Commissioners meetings at 10:00 A.M. on the first and third Monday of each month.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - TAX OFFICE

The Administrator recommended that the Board approve an amendment to the Tax Collector's Budget for the purchasing of six spare modems from Onslow County at a price of \$3,000. This amendment recognizes insurance proceeds of \$967.00 from the damaged units and the additional funds will be derived from the unappropriated fund balance. The total amendment is \$2,033.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to amend the Tax Office's budget in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the modems.

TAX RELEASES

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

Ordered: that the 1981 tax listing of S. J. Fisher, Bogue Township, be released on the valuation of \$6,850.00 due to tax listing cancelled January 3, 1983. Also, he request that we release the 1981 as he was billed 27 acres valued \$9,500.00 and it should have been 3.69 acres valued at \$2,650.00. He is requesting that instead of rebilling him, we release the difference of \$6,850.00 valuation.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Virginia Fuller Baldwin, Waccamaw Township, be released on the valuation of \$28,610.00 due to buildings being torn down and some moved.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Margaret C. Scott, Waccamaw Township, be released on the valuation of \$2,830.00 due to Lot #16 Lakewood is double-listed with Nellie R. Featherston.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Hugh Craig Gore, Ransom Township, be released on the valuation of \$200.00 due to new survey made on March 20, 1979. He submitted his survey on January 3, 1983, which changes his acreage from 3.19 acres valued \$2,260.00 to 2.85 acres valued \$2,060.00.

Ordered: that the 1979, 1980, and 1981 tax listings of James Ricky Bullard, Cerro Gordo Township, be cancelled due to 10 acres being double-listed with his mother, Mrs. Carrie Lee Bullard.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Rebecca Meares Taylor, Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$6,325.00 due to personal property valued \$6,325.00 was keyed in the terminal through error. This should have been keyed in on Belva H. Thompson and has been corrected.

Ordered: that the Discovery Penalty of W. A. Williams & Sarah Koonce, South Williams Township, be released due to 3 acres valued \$4,950.00 was deleted from Mr. Williams during the Revaluation by Carroll-Phelps Appraisal Company.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Wilbur B. Freedman, Western Prong Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,000.00 due to the pole shed valued at this amount was double-listed to him on two separate abstracts.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Bertie L. Coleman, Lees Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$4,520.00 due to error in giving Mrs. Coleman the Senior-Citizen Exemption.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Bonnie Kay Prince, Williams Township be cancelled on the valuation of \$13,380.00. The only listing to Bonnie Kay Prince is 13.86 acres valued \$25,830 and 5.24 acres valued \$1,850.00 to Bonnie Kay Prince and her brother Arvin Wayne Prince.

Ordered: that the 1982 tax listing of Bonnie Kay Prince & Arvin Wayne Prince, Williams Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$14,800.00. The only listing for Bonnie Kay Prince and Brother Arvin Wayne Prince is 5.24 acres valued \$1,850.00.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to A. W. Williamson, Jr. & Lucian P. Stephens, Box 313, Chadbourn, North Carolina, 28431, Chadbourn Township, in the

amount of \$321.47, for the years 1981 and 1982 due to 4 lots and building valued at \$19,630.00 was double-listed with C. & C. Auto sales, but they will only be refunded on \$17,750.00 valuation as they were charged with \$410.00 valuation and should have been \$2,290.00.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Charles L. & Doris A. Green, Route 24, Box 700, Baldwin, Florida 33324, Lees Township in the amount of \$180.60 for the years 1981 and 1982 due to error in calculation on the property by Carroll-Phelps Appraisal Company.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Corbett Package Company, P. O. Box 210, Wilmington, North Carolina 28402, Attention: Mr. J. S. Barker, Jr., in the amount of \$69.14, Ransom Township, for the year 1981. The taxes were paid through clerical error by Corbett Package Company.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Dayton Tillman & Addie Gore, Route 3, Box 99A, Tabor City, North Carolina 28463, in the amount of \$99.80, Bug Hill Township for the year 1982 due to 1982 taxes of Daylon Brooks & Lisa N. Gore amounting to \$99.80 were paid through error by Dayton Tillman Gore.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Alma & Grier, 72 Robertson Avenue, White Plains, New York 10600, in the amount of \$13.07 for the year 1982 due to billing error.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to grant an extension for the following for listing property for taxation for 1983:

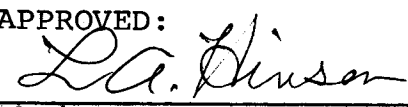
DPF Asset Management Corporation	April 1
Worsley Services, Incorporated	April 1
Property Tax Service Company	April 1
(Client - Contract Service & Rentals)	
Pic'N Pay Stores, Inc. #108	March 3
Exxon Company, U.S.A.	March 31
(Butterworth Systems, Inc.	
Exxon Corporation: All Divisions)	
Gulf Oil Corporation	April 15
D. L. Peterson Trust	April 15
Clark Rental System, Inc.	Feb. 28
(F.P.B.-Riegelwood, N.C.)	
IBM	March 1
Kaiser Aluminum	March 3
Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.	March 31
FCX	March 15
(FCX, Inc., Columbus FCX Service,	
& FCX Grain Market)	
Electrolux Corporation	April 1
The Macke Company	March 31
Mayo & Alice Brown	Feb. 15
James C. High	Feb. 15
(Carolyn T. High, James C. High Etals,	
and The News Reporter)	
Xerox	March 15
NCR Corporation	March 31

OUT-DOOR POOR FUND

Upon request by Commissioner Marlowe and concurrence by Commissioners Norris and Buffkin, a check in the amount of \$50.00 was made on behalf of Glenn Tompkins, Route 1, Box 386, Chadbourn, N. C. for heating fuel.

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned.


County Administrator/Clerk

APPROVED:

Chairman