The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, April 5, 1983, Monday being a legal Holiday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT

L. A. Hinson, Chairman

Junior Dew, Vice-Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Larry M. Buffkin

Caletta Faulk

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney (part-time) Richard B. Self, Administrator/ Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Mrs. Coleen Stanley, Sencland Community Action.

PUBLIC HEARING - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

The following citizens were present for the hearing:

E. S. Jacobs

Gloria Patrick

Colene B. Stanley

A. J. Eason Stacy Locklear

Horace Long Blanchie Frink Chester Graham

The Chairman gave the citizens attending the opportunity to be heard on the Community Development Block Grant.

The citizens concerns were as follows:

- 1. Housing improvements throughout the county, not just in a target area.
- 2. Excessive water and drainage problems.
- 3. Dredging of streams in some areas.
- Clarification on ways the Grant could affect them.

Commissioner Dew explained how the Commissioners apply for Block Grants and what restrictions are involved in obtaining the Grants and their useage of funds. The next Public Hearing will be held on May 2, 1983 at 10:00 A.M.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously the Public Hearing adjourned at 10:30 A.M. and their regular meeting resumed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 28th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously. PRESENTATIONS

The following Presentations from County Departments were presented to the Board as to the responsibilities of each department:

Finance Department, Emogene Suggs, Finance Director

HUD, Otis Collins, Executive Director

Board of Elections, Annie Ruth Strickland, Supervisor

Sanitation, Hobson Ivey, Solid Waste Supervisor

Building Inspections, S. T. Enzor, Building and Plumbing Inspector

Animal Control, Junior Babson, Dog Warden

PROCLAMATION - PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

Steve Smith, Health Department Director, presented the Board with a Proclamation for Public Health Week for adoption and also presented each Board Member and the Administrator with Public Health Week T-Shirts and bumper stickers. The Proclamation is as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Governor James B. Hunt has proclaimed the week of April 17-23, 1983 as Public Health Week in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Facilities in Columbus County serve thousands of our citizens each year; and

WHEREAS, Public Health assures a cleaner, safer, more wholesome environment in which to live; and

WHEREAS, healthful living is the major prevention of the financial burdens of disease and chronic illness; and

WHEREAS, a concerned, informed and active citizenry will ensure a healthy future for Columbus County;

THEREFORE, I proclaim April 17-23, 1983, as PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK IN COLUMBUS COUNTY.

/s/ Richard B. Self
Administrator/Clerk

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman Columbus County Commissioners

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Amanda Bible, Library Director, presented the Board with a Proclamation for National Library Week for adoption and presented the Commissioners and Administrator with book markers. The Proclamation is as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, libraries touch the lives of every citizen, either directly or indirectly; and

WHEREAS, libraries continue to be among our nations's most valuable resources, providing vital information and services to everyone, regardless of ethnic background or economic status; and

WHEREAS, our county is served by public, academic, and school libraries; and

WHEREAS, these libraries are joining the American Library Association in celebrating the 26th annual National Library Week with the theme "Go For It - Use Your Library;" and

WHEREAS, this theme encourages everyone to take advantage of the library's information services -- whether for personal enrichment, business, academic pursuits or pleasure;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that April 17-23, 1983, be proclaimed NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK in Columbus County, and we, the Commissioners of Columbus County, do hereby urge every citizen to call or visit our local libraries this week and

throughout the year.

/s/ Richard B. Self
Administrator/Clerk

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman Columbus County Commissioners

BUDGET AMENDMENTS - LIBRARY

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the acceptance of \$5,000.00 from an anonymous donor to be used to purchase a photocopier. The funds will be transferred from the General fund (Gift) (10-335-0200) to the General fund (Equipment) (10-630-7400). Also, a 1982-83 Federal Grant in the amount of \$6,135.00 was approved and will be used to purchase books and a super 8 mm film projecter. The funds will be transferred from Federal Grant General Fund (10-348-3100) to the following:

General Fund (10-630-7400) Equipment \$ 150.00 General Fund (10-630-7401) Books \$ 4,495.00 General Fund (10-630-7407) Processing \$ 1,050.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to accept a new car as a gift from an anonymous donor for the use of the County Library. The car will be titled to the County and the County will provide insurance on the car.

TAX RELEASES

The following tax releases and refunds recommended by the Tax Supervisor were approved upon motion made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously.

Ordered: That the 1982 tax listing of Lula Griffin, Lees Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,290.00 due to the 4.60 acres valued at this amount is included in the 19160 acre tract of Peter Bellamy.

Ordered: That the 1978-1982 tax listings of Donald Leon Powers, Bogue Township, be cancelled due to error in transfer. Valuation for 1978-1980 \$2,000.00. Valuation for 1981-82 \$2,180.00.

Ordered: That the 1973 tax listings of Raeford Duncan, South Williams

Township, be released on the following valuations due to Mr. Duncan was paying on

70/100 acres (Map F-11-50) and should have paid on the lot on (Map F-11-53).

Received the S.C. Ex. 1980-82. Valuation for 1973 \$210.00. Valuation for 1974-1979

\$420.00. Valuation for 1980 \$6,660.00. Valuation for 1981-82 \$8,500.00.

Ordered: That the 1982 tax listing of John Milton M. Blake (Special #2), Chadbourn Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,000.00. The .4 acre should have been billed to George Flowers, Jr.

Ordered: That the 1982 tax listing of George Flowers, Jr., Chadbourn Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$750.00 due to the lot not existing.

Ordered: That a refund check be issued to R. E. and Lela Duncan (Raeford Duncan) Route 2, Box 21R, Tabor City, NC 28463, South Williams Township, in the amount of \$22.66 for the years 1980, 1981 and 1982. Mr. Duncan was paying on land on Map F-11-50 but should have been paying on land on Map F-11-53.

Ordered: That a refund check be issued to Carl Meares, Fair Bluff, N.C. 18439, Fair Bluff Township in the amount of \$61.15, for the year 1982. The lot valued \$560.00 and the lot and house valued \$6,550.00 were sold to Fair Bluff Baptist Church, then sold to Fair Bluff Housing, which is Tax Exempt.

REQUEST BY COMMISSIONER DEW

Commissioner Dew requested, that in the future, he would like for all County Commissioners to work together as a team and with the Administrator. If any Commissioner has a problem, they should all get together and make decisions for the best interest of the county.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

APPROVED:

Administrator/Clerk