

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office, November 7, 1983, at 10:00 A.M., it being first Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

L. A. Hinson, Chairman

Junior W. Dew, Vice-Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Caletta Faulk

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Richard B. Self, Administrator/Clerk

ABSENT:

Larry Buffkin

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Rector Robert Schriber, Grace Episcopal Church in Whiteville.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 17th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously.

ANVIL KNITWEAR PLANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Jack Ervin, Economic Development Director, announced that Anvil Knitwear had purchased the Fieldcrest Mills building to manufacture knit shirts. They are scheduled to begin operation January 3, 1983 and will employ approximately 100 persons immediately.

SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Several senior citizen advisory council members were present with Juanita Corbin acting as spokesperson for the group. They requested the Board appropriate \$2,000 to hire a director for the center for the remainder of 1983. Cathy Williamson presented the Board with 861 signatures in favor of participating and supporting the Senior Center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appropriate funds for the Senior Center in the amount of \$2,000 to hire a director and amend the budget for these funds to be transferred from Contingencies (10-660-9999) to Senior Citizen Project (10-690-9512).

APPOINTMENTS - WHITE MARSH-WELCHES CREEK VFD

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to act as Trustees of the White Marsh-Welches Creek Firemen's Relief Fund with indefinite length of terms:

William C. Rushing
Carlton Baldwin

SANITATION TRUCK BIDS

The Administrator presented the Board with a list of bids received for a sanitation truck as follows:

Carolina Waste	\$95,740	1984 Crane Carrier
	78,416	1984 Ford (Did not meet specifications)
Sanco	84,950	1984 White (Did not meet specifications)
Kabco	85,495	1984 White

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to award the bid to Kabco Corporation in the amount of \$85,495.00 for one 1984 White sanitation truck.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - RECREATION DEPARTMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to amend the Recreation budget in the amount of \$520.00. These funds were received from Vocational Rehabilitation (Recreation miscellaneous income) to be expended in Contract services (620-45) reimbursement for labor to Mark Storms.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - SOCIAL SERVICES

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to amend the Social Services budget in the amount of \$31,724.00. These Federal funds (40-348-03) were allocated to be expended in Crisis Intervention (40-616-00).

BUDGET AMENDMENT - COURTHOUSE & BEAVER CONTROL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to amend the budget in the amount of \$35,000; Revenue (10-348-3300) in the amount of \$25,000 to be expended in Improvements to County Buildings/Courthouse Handicap Ramp (10-506-73); Revenue (10-335-0000) in the amount of \$10,000 to be expended in Beaver Management Program (10-690-9703).

BUDGET AMENDMENT - OUTSTANDING 1982-83 PURCHASE ORDERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to amend the budget in the amount of \$26,782.00. These funds are appropriation of surplus (10-339-00) revenue to be expended in various departments for 1982-83 purchase orders as follows: (10-420-74) Capital Outlay \$1,879.00; (10-410-32) Office supplies \$349.00; (10-430-32) Office supplies \$130.00; (10-440-32) Office supplies \$225.00; (10-440-74) Capital Outlay \$1,750.00; (10-450-32) Office Supplies \$35.00; (10-470-04) Professional services \$967.00; (10-480-32) Office Supplies \$150.00; (10-420-33) Printing \$500.00; (10-505-16) M & R Equipment \$249.00; (10-505-33) Departmental Supplies \$77.00; (10-510-17) M & R - Vehicles \$790.00; (10-510-31) Automotive Supplies \$200.00; (10-520-15) M & R - Building & Grounds \$150.00; (10-520-33) Departmental Supplies \$119.00; (10-590-57) Miscellaneous Expenses \$535.00; (10-590-74) Capital Outlay \$914.00; (10-591-5701) Miscellaneous Expenses \$2,793.00; (10-592-57) Miscellaneous Expenses \$881.00; (10-593-57) Miscellaneous Expenses \$464.00; (10-599-57) Miscellaneous Expenses \$80.00; (10-610-32) Office supplies \$39.00; (10-630-31) Automotive supplies \$291.00; (10-630-32) Office supplies \$344.00; (10-630-33) Books \$2,819.00; (10-630-3303) Microfilms \$902.00; (10-630-3306) Processing \$408.00; (10-630-74) Capital Outlay \$8,025.00; (10-650-57) Miscellaneous expenses \$717.00.

BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD HOSPITALIZATION & LIFE INSURANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to adopt a new hospital and life insurance program effective

December 1, 1983 and have Hutchinson Corporation confirm the policy presented by Blue Cross-Blue Shield to ensure that the benefits are the ones presented.

COUNCIL ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to sign a letter of authorization to members of the Columbus County Council on the Status of Women to gather data on the incidence of spouse abuse in the county and adopt the following Resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Council on the Status of Women serves an important function for the Citizens of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Council on the Status of Women desires to perform a need assessment on spouse abuse in Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, it is desireable that such a study be performed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a study of spouse abuse be performed by the Columbus County Council on the Status of Women; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a report on spouse abuse be made to the Commissioners of Columbus County, when the study is completed.

Adopted this 7th day of November, 1983 by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.

/s/ Richard B. Self
Administrator/Clerk

L. A. Hinson, Chairman

RETIREMENT SYSTEM - CREDIT FOR OUT OF STATE SERVICE

A motion was made by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt a Resolution that will allow employees with ten (10) years of membership service to purchase credit to any state territory or governmental subdivision of the U.S. as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the 1973 General Assembly amended the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System laws so as to permit agreements for providing certain benefits for employee member pursuant to Chapter 1310; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of this Unit realizes the desirability of providing its employees with the security and protection provided by said benefits; and

WHEREAS, Article 3 of Chapter 128 of the General Statutes of North Carolina provides that any employer governmental unit desiring to provide said benefits for its employee members must execute an agreement therefor with the Director of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Columbus County Board of Commissioners in regular session,

1. That the Columbus County Board of Commissioners hereby elects to secure said benefits for its employees in the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System.

2. That the Columbus County Board of Commissioners hereby agrees to comply with all provisions of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System as defined in Article 3, Chapter 128 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, and to make such increased employer's contributions as the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System may determine to be necessary in order to provide said benefits.

3. The Columbus County Board of Commissioners is hereby ordered and directed to execute an agreement with the Director of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System to implement said benefits of Chapter 1310 of the Session Laws of 1973 (2nd Session, 1974).

Upon motion of Commissioner Faulk and seconded by Commissioner Norris, the above resolution was introduced for passage. The following voted in the affirmative: 4. The following number voted in the negative: 0.

A G R E E M E N T

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1310 of the Session Laws of 1973 (2nd Session, 1974) setting forth the conditions under which the rights to certain benefits might be made available to members of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System, this AGREEMENT is hereby entered into between the Columbus County Board of Commissioners and the Director of said Retirement System.

In consideration of an increase of zero (0%) in the employer's contribution rate effective as of December 1, 1983, the North Carolina Governmental Employees' Retirement System hereby agrees to extend the privileges and rights of said benefits described in Chapter 1310 of the Session Laws of 1973 (2nd Session, 1974) to the employees of the Columbus County who are members of said System on and after the above effective date. This Agreement shall continue in effect from year to year with the understanding that the rate payable for said benefits may be modified as the System's Actuary may periodically determine.

Approval of the above was authorized by Columbus County Board of Commissioners at its meeting on November 7, 1983 and is recorded in the minutes of said Board.

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman
Local Governing Board

APPOINTMENTS - ADVISORY PERSONNEL BOARD

A motion was made by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to the Advisory Personnel Board with terms expiring November 30, 1985:

Donnie Graham
M. S. "Jake" Jones
Tom Aldridge

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - ABANDONMENT OF SECONDARY ROAD MAINTENANCE IN
COLUMBUS COUNTY

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt a Resolution for abandonment of sections of various roads for purposes of maintenance in Columbus County as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation provides road maintenance on Roads in Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, in their efforts to update the maps of Columbus County, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has discovered certain changes in road lengths which they deem desirable; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation desires to delete these roads from the list of roads maintained; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County supports this request to delete certain roads from the state maintenance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following portions of State Roads be deleted from the State maintenance:

<u>Map #</u>	<u>SR Number</u>	<u>Length</u>
1	1575	0.14 Mile
2	1548	0.20 Mile
3	1745	0.12 Mile
4	1945	0.10 Mile
5	1840	0.35 Mile
6	1142	0.10 Mile
7	1178	0.02 Mile
8	1136	0.06 Mile
9	1102	0.12 Mile
10	1822	0.12 Mile
11	1901	0.10 Mile
12	1812	0.25 Mile

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if at any time in the future these portions of roads need state maintenance, that they will be picked up by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Adopted this 7th day of November, 1983.

/s/ Richard B. Self
Administrator/Clerk

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman

PUBLIC HEARING - PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX LISTING

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to hold a Public Hearing on personal property taxes being a percentage (10%) of the value of real property November 22, 1983 at 7:30 P.M. at the Columbus County Courthouse, Whiteville, North Carolina.

PUBLIC HEARING - INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to hold a public hearing on Industrial Revenue Bonds for Anvil Knitwear on November 21, 1983 at 10:00 A.M., at the Commissioners Board Room in the Administrative Building.

APPOINTMENTS - SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH

The Chairman read letters from Southeastern Regional Mental Health requesting the reappointment of Jo Anne Barnes and the replacement of Commissioner Buffkin.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to reappoint Jo Anne Barnes with a four year term expiring November 30, 1987, and appoint Commissioner Dew to replace Commissioner Buffkin with term expiring at the end of public office.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to amend the Economic Development Budget in the amount of \$1,500 for travel/auto supplies (10-495-31). These funds are to be transferred from contingencies (10-660-9999).

BOARD UPDATED

The Administrator updated the Board on the following items:

1. Beaver Committee has met and a series of three (3) workshops will be held in the County to explain the law, proper beaver management and trapping.
2. Tobacco Allotment - An auction will be held on November 7, 1983 at 12:00 Noon to sell tobacco allotment.
3. Requested the Board to allow Gayle Godwin to work on an as needed basis until her replacement is hired and to train the replacement. After the work is completed, a budget amendment will be presented to the Board. The Board agreed.
4. Apartments are going to be constructed in Fairfax Heights in Whiteville.
5. The Board is invited to have lunch with the Involvement Council on November 7, 1983, at 12:30 at Dale's Seafood.

COUNTY HISTORIAN - JOHN A. McNEILL

A motion was made by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt a Resolution to designate John A. McNeill as County Historian as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the need for a Historian of the County to compile data and search for information would be of value to all persons wishing to obtain information on the history of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, the designation of a County Historian is necessary to provide the leadership in gathering and compiling such data for the use of the county; and

WHEREAS, the County recognizes that having this information available in the County would be a public service to all citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbus County Commissioners recognizes John A. McNeill as a dedicated citizen of Columbus County and designates Mr. McNeill to be the official Historian of Columbus County.

The foregoing Resolution was unanimously adopted at this meeting of the Columbus County Commissioners and ordered by the Chairman that the Clerk permanently

record it in the minutes.

This 7th day of November, 1983.

/s/ Richard B. Self, Adm./Clerk

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman

BOARD RECESSED

At 11:30 A.M., the Board recessed to reconvene session at the Columbus County Courthouse at 12:00 Noon to hold an auction for sale of the tobacco allotment (1983 allotment was 4,182 pounds and 2.05 acres) to comply with the Federal Regulations of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

MEETING RECONVENED


Attorney James B. Hill, Jr. auctioned the tobacco allotment at 12:00 Noon with high bid of \$2.76 per pound or a total of \$11,542.32 from Larry Godwin, Route 1, Box 5, Clarendon, N.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to accept the high bid of \$11,542.32 with payment to be made in full within ten (10) days of the auction.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

APPROVED:



Administrator/Clerk



Chairman