

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 9:00 A.M., May 1, 1989, it being the first Monday.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman
 Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd, Vice Chairman
 Junior Dew
 Lynwood Norris
 Ed Worley

Roy L. Lowe
 County Administrator

Ida L. Smith
 Clerk to the Board

ABSENT:

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by the Reverend Wade Fowler, Senior Center Director.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 20, 1989 meeting, as recorded.

RESOLUTION - N.C. EXTENSION SERVICE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrd, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Smith-Lever Act of May 8, 1914, has fostered the development of a system of State Agricultural Extension Services in partnership with our Nation's land-grant universities and county governments for disseminating and encouraging the application of research-generated knowledge and leadership techniques to solve problems of individuals, families and communities; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service, as part of the national extension system, has contributed greatly in assisting families and individuals with the efficient production of a reliable supply of food and fiber for consumers, with the improvement of the quality of life, with the development of leadership and community service, and with the achievement and accomplishments of young people through 4-H; and

WHEREAS, the relationship existing between the Federal, State and County Extension Services has provided for citizen input to research and educational programs of the land grant universities of our state for three quarters of a century; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Columbus County have benefited and continue to benefit from North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, that the seventy-fifth anniversary the Smith-Lever Act and the North Carolina Extension Service of which this County is a part should be commemorated on May 8, 1989.

Unanimously adopted this 1st day of May, 1989.

(SEAL)

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe

County Administrator

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman
 /s/ Buddy Byrd, Vice Chairman
 /s/ Junior Dew
 /s/ Lynwood Norris
 /s/ Ed Worley

COMMODITY FOOD DISTRIBUTION PLAN UPDATE

Dempsey Herring, Recreation Director, presented the Board with a report on the proposed USDA Commodity Food Distribution Plan for Columbus County and stated that the target date for the first distribution is scheduled for June 22, 1989.

Further, Mr. Herring reported that the road sign project for the installation of signs is scheduled to be started in mid-summer.

RESOLUTION DRAFTED - COUNTY-WIDE TELEPHONE SERVICE

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to instruct the Administrator draft a Resolution in support of a county-wide telephone system to the N.C. Utilities Commission and present to the Board for adoption.

COLUMBUS COUNTY INTERAGENCY TRANSPORTATION

Paul Pope, Chairman of the Columbus County Interagency Transportation Council, presented the Board with a final draft of the Transportation Plan for Columbus County to provide transportation for the elderly and handicapped residents in Columbus County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the Columbus County Transportation Development Plan as approved by the N.C. Department of Transportation effective July 1, 1989 through June 30, 1994. A copy of the plan is on file at the Clerk to the Board's office.

CHADBOURN, CITY OF - APPROVAL OF DISPLAYING FIREWORKS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to grant authority to Reverend Dennis Bazemore to "display fireworks" on behalf of the Strawberry Festival on Wednesday night, May 3, 1989, in Chadbourn, NC, in accordance with General Statutes 14-410.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - REVALUATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appropriate funds from Surplus (70-399-00) in the

amount of \$11,768.00 for the balance of the Revaluation Contract to be expended as follows:

70-690-02	Salaries & Wages	\$ 326.00
70-690-05	FICA	29.00
70-690-06	Insurance	21.00
70-690-07	Retirement	28.00
70-690-32	Office Supplies	(3,852.00)
70-690-45	Contract (Revaluation)	15,216.00

BUDGET AMENDMENT - AGING

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,780.00 from Fund Balance (10-399-0000) to be expended in Senior Center - Hospitalization (10-690-9809) as follows:

Appropriate	12-335-0000	Aging	\$ 623.00
Appropriate	12-336-0000	Case Management	224.00
Appropriate	12-336-0100	Senior Center	391.00
Appropriate	12-336-0300	Nutrition	435.00
Appropriate	12-336-0400	Transportation	82.00
Appropriate	12-336-0201	C.M.F.	25.00

To be expended as follows:

12-610-0600	Insurance	\$ 623.00
12-611-0600	Insurance	224.00
12-612-0600	Insurance	25.00
12-613-0600	Insurance	391.00
12-614-0600	Insurance	435.00
12-616-0600	Insurance	82.00

COUNTY AUDIT - SELECTION OF S. PRESTON DOUGLAS & ASSOCIATES

The Chairman stated that three (3) certified accounting firms have submitted audit bids for the Columbus County single audit contract for Fiscal Year 1989. They are as follows:

S. Preston Douglas and Associates 106 L Memory Plaza Whiteville, NC 28472	\$29,500
Lowrimore, Warwick and Company 110 Grace Street Wilmington, NC 28402	\$29,900
Touche Ross and Associates One Independence Center Charlotte, NC 28246	\$34,500

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to award the audit contract for fiscal year ending June 30, 1989 to S. Preston Douglas and Associates, Certified Public Accountants, 106L Memory Plaza, Whiteville, NC 28472, in the amount of \$29,500.00. Also, write a letter of appreciation to Lowrimore, Warwick and Company and Touche Ross and Associates for their time and interest in submitting audit bids.

The audit contract is on file in the Clerk to the Board's office.

RESOLUTION - COLUMBUS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION LOAN AGREEMENT WITH UCB

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution.

R E S O L U T I O N

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, at their regular meeting on the 1st day of May, 1989, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Fair Association has requested United Carolina Bank to extend credit to the Fair Association for the purpose of constructing additional buildings on the fair grounds for the good and use of the citizens of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, the United Carolina Bank has requested the right to remove said buildings within a reasonable length of time pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement; and

WHEREAS, the United Carolina Bank has further requested that an Agreement of Severance be entered by Columbus County with respect to the said buildings, if the said lien was ever foreclosed upon.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, that they do hereby authorize the Columbus County Fair Association to enter into an agreement with United Carolina Bank, Whiteville Branch, for the purpose of procuring a loan not to exceed the sum of \$65,000.00 and they do hereby further authorize the said United Carolina Bank to remove any of the buildings which will be constructed from the loan proceeds up to eighteen months after foreclosure from the premises leased to the Columbus County Fair Association by the said county. The County of Columbus does hereby retain the right of purchasing any outstanding liens on the said building prior to the foreclosure and it is the obligation of United Carolina Bank to notify the then Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners at least 15 days prior to foreclosure that the said loan is in default and that foreclosure will be instituted and the county has a right to exercise its right to purchase the said property prior to institution of foreclosure proceedings.

This the 1st day of May, 1989.

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ Ida L. Smith
Clerk

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

WACCAMAW SIOUAN ASSOCIATION - INVITATION TO VISIT FACILITIES

Mr. Haynes Graham, representing the Waccamaw Siouan Association, invited the Board to tour their facilities at Buckhead and to attend a fish fry at 5:00 P.M., May 15, 1989, at the Waccamaw Community Center.

APPOINTMENT - SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE


A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to appoint Ray Wyche to serve on the Southeastern Community College Board of Trustees to fulfill the unexpired term of Henry Wyche, deceased, with term expiring June 30, 1991.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 A.M.

APPROVED:


Clerk to the Board


Chairman

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met at the Cerro Gordo Volunteer Fire Department building at 7:30 P.M., May 8, 1989, to hold a public hearing on the Proposed Cerro Gordo Fire Service District.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

Junior Dew

Lynwood Norris

Ed Worley

Roy L. Lowe
County Administrator

ABSENT:

Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd, Vice Chairman

James E. Hill, Jr.
County Attorney

Ida L. Smith
Clerk

There were approximately twenty (20) residents of the Fire District present.

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Koonce and the invocation was given by Montie Herring.

The Chairman stated the purpose of the hearing is to consider definition of a fire protection service district in the area of Columbus County known as the Cerro Gordo Rural Fire Insurance Rated District. If the district is defined, property therein will be subject to taxation as necessary to finance the proposed service.

Chairman Koonce turned the meeting over to Glen Thompson, the Fire Chief for the District.

Chief Thompson welcomed everyone present and then demonstrated the needs of the fire district and requested any comments or questions concerning the proposal from anyone in attendance by being recognized and stating their name.


The following persons spoke concerning the proposal:

Amy Strickland
Terry Fipps
Sonny Hammonds
Montie Herring
Glenn Thompson
Jim Wilson
Troy Hammonds
Chris Knowell
Ben Wilson

There being no further comments, the Chairman requested a vote in support of the proposed Fire Service District by a showing of hands. Everyone in attendance were in favor of the proposal.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

APPROVED:


Chairman

Clerk to the Board