

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met at the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department Building at 7:30 P.M., June 26, 1990, to hold a public hearing on the proposed Bolton Volunteer Fire Service District.

*BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:*

*Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd, Chairman*

*Lynwood Norris, Vice Chairman*

*Ed Worley*

*Samuel G. Koonce*

*James E. Hill, Jr.  
County Attorney*

*Roy L. Lowe  
County Administrator*

*Ida L. Smith  
Clerk to the Board*

*ABSENT:*

*Junior Dew*

There were approximately thirty-five (35) residents of the Bolton Fire District present.

Chairman Byrd called the public hearing to order and Commissioner Worley gave the invocation.

The Chairman stated the purpose of the hearing is to consider definition of a fire service district in the area of Columbus County known as the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department. If the district is defined, property therein will be subject to a taxation as necessary to finance the proposed service district.

Chairman Byrd turned the meeting over to Mike Dixon, the Fire Chief for the District.

Mr. Dixon welcomed everyone present and then demonstrated the needs of the Fire District and gave a report on the 1989-90 Budget, stating that expenditures have exceeded the revenue.

Mr. Dixon stated that the Fire Department is requesting a six-cents (\$.06) tax levy on \$100.00 property valuation. This amount of tax will generate approximately \$9,110 per year needed by the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department to meet expenses necessary to continue to provide the fire protection needs of the people in the proposed district.

Mr. Dixon requested any comments or question concerning the proposal from anyone in attendance.

Two persons in attendance made comments but did not state their names.

There being no further comments, the Chairman requested a vote on the persons in favor of and opposed to the Fire Service District.

Everyone in attendance was in favor of the Fire Service District except two (2) persons who voted in opposition.

