The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met at the Roseland Volunteer Fire District Building, Roseland, NC, at 7:30 P.M., May 13, 1992, to hold a public hearing on the proposed Tabor City Volunteer Rescue and Ambulance Service District.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Worley, Chairman
Junior Dew, Vice Chairman
Lynwood Norris
Samuel G. Koonce
Mike Richardson

Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

ABSENT:

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney

There were approximately sixty (60) residents of the proposed Tabor City Volunteer Rescue and Ambulance Service District (which includes Roseland) present.

Chairman Worley called the public hearing to order and Jimmy Godwin gave the invocation.

The Chairman stated the purpose of the public hearing is to consider definition of a rescue district in the area of Columbus County known as the Tabor City Volunteer Rescue and Ambulance Service District. If the district is defined, property therein will be subject to a taxation as necessary to finance the proposed service district.

Chairman Worley stated that each person wishing to speak to be recognized by raising their hand, stating their name and address. The Chairman further stated that at the end of the hearing a straw vote will be taken for those persons in favor of and/or against the proposed district.

The Chairman turned the meeting over to Mr. J. Howard Stanley who represented the Board of Directors of the Tabor City Rescue Squad.

Mr. Stanley welcomed everyone present and stated that the Tabor City Rescue Squad is requesting a three-cents (\$.03) tax levy on \$100.00 property valuation. This amount of tax will generate approximately \$56,400.00 per year needed by the Tabor City Volunteer Rescue and Ambulance Service District to meet expenses of hiring three (3) persons to provide for paid daytime emergency medical and rescue needs of the people in the proposed district.

The following persons made comments in reference to the proposed rescue district:

Bonnie Norris, Tabor City, NC Ernest Cox, Tabor City, NC Winston Cox, Tabor City, NC

Linda Hyatt, Clarendon, NC

Jimmy Jernigan, Tabor City, NC

Wanda Huggins, Tabor City, NC

Dale Strickland, Cerro Gordo, NC

Drew Cox, Tabor City, NC

Braxton Williamson, Route 3, Whiteville, NC

Jake Godwin, Clarendon, NC

Linda Norris, Tabor City, NC

Sondra Watts, Tabor City, NC

Philip Ragan, Tabor City, NC

Corbett Ward, Tabor City, NC

Joseph Blackmon, Tabor City, NC

.Kathy Griffin, Tabor City, NC

Myra Perritt, Chadbourn, NC

Linda Prince, Whiteville, NC

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

FOR:

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AGAINST:

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Chairman Worley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

APPROVED:

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