

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 A.M., August 12, 1992, to hold a special called meeting by the Chairman pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-40, for the purpose of considering the proposals for election equipment for the Board of Elections.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ed Worley, Chairman

Junior Dew, Vice Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Samuel G. Koonce

Mike Richardson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

Chairman Worley called the meeting to order.

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS - BID AWARDED FOR ELECTION EQUIPMENT**

Frank Stanley, Board of Elections Supervisor, informed the Board that the Board of Elections has selected the proposal for election equipment from Election Technology Company, 5400 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 208, Raleigh, NC 27612, in the amount of \$153,173.00. The equipment will be tested in the November, 1992 General Election and if specifications are not met fully, we do not have to purchase.

The Board of Commissioners questioned the Board of Elections and the representatives from the Election Technology Company about the elections equipment.

Commissioner Dew stated that the Board would like to negotiate the price and offered the company the sum of \$150,000.00 cash for the equipment.

Mr. Larry Ensminger, Election Technology Company President, stated he would deduct the shipping and insurance in the amount of \$2,925.00, which reduced the total cost to \$150,248.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to approve the testing of the Accu-Vote system in all precincts for the 1992 Columbus County General Election with the purchase to be based on the results of the test election and subject to satisfactory performance on a County-wide basis in the November Election. If the Accu-Vote system proves to be satisfactory, after the November Election, the Board will negotiate the best method of purchasing the equipment for the Board of Elections at a total purchase price of \$150,248.00.

AYES: Commissioners Koonce, Worley, Norris and Dew

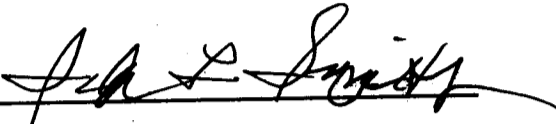
NOES: Commissioner Richardson

The motion passed on a 4 - 1 vote.

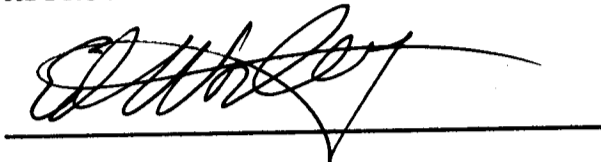
**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 A.M.

APPROVED:



Clerk to the Board



Chairman