The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 5:30 P.M., Monday, November 30, 1992 to hold a special called meeting by the Chairman for the purpose of lease of real estate and contract negotiations.

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.

SOCIAL SERVICES - WHITEVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUEST BOARD TO LEASE HARRIS TEETER & ECKERD DRUG STORE BUILDINGS

Jesse Fisher, Lloyd Batten and Jackie McPherson, representing the Whiteville Chamber of Commerce and Merchants, requested the Board to consider leasing Harris Teeter and Eckerd Drug Store buildings that are presently unoccupied at the K Mart Shopping Center for the housing of the Department of Social Services. Mr. Fisher alluded that leasing these facilities would save the taxpayers money although a survey done by Mr. Dempsey Herring on November 16, 1992 on the existing buildings does not indicate any savings.

SOCIAL SERVICES - OFFICE BUILDING PROPOSAL FROM J & J

Jerry Pridgen, representing J & J Developers, again discussed the proposal that was submitted to the Board on November 24, 1992, on constructing a building on a five-acre tract site directly behind the existing Social Services facility that the county could finance the cost in a 20-year lease-purchase agreement. The County would pay \$314,000 a year and own the building at the end of the lease for the sum of \$1.00.

SOCIAL SERVICES - STATE REQUIRES A PLAN TO BE DEVELOPED BY DECEMBER 15, 1992

Ms. Sarah Delancey, Regional Facilities Director for the State Department of Social Services, stated that she is imposing the December 15, 1992 deadline for a plan to be submitted and a commitment of direction by the Board of County Commissioners.

SOCIAL SERVICES - PURSUE DESIGN BUILD FOR FACILITY AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to pursue the design build concept for the Social Services facility and advertise for bids with building to be constructed on County owned property.

AYES: Commissioners Koonce, Worley, Norris and Dew

NOES: Commissioner Richardson

The motion passed on a 4 - 1 vote.

CONTRACT - COLUMBUS COUNTY HOSPITAL RENEWAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce and seconded by Commissioner Norris to direct James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, when drafting the 1993 renewal contract for Columbus County Hospital, to include the Chief of Staff and a member of the Board of Columbus County Commissioners to serve on the Board of Directors and present to the Board for consideration of approval.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Richardson to table the request.

Commissioner Richardson's motion died in lack of a second.

The vote on Commissioner Koonce's motion is as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Koonce, Worley, Norris and Dew

Commissioner Richardson

The motion passed on a 4 -1 vote.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

NOES:

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

APPROVED:

Clerk to the Board

Chairman

OATHS OF OFFICE - NEWLY ELECTED COMMISSIONERS

At 8:30 A.M., December 7, 1992, the newly elected Commissioners met in the Superior Courtroom, Columbus County Courthouse, Whiteville, North Carolina and the oaths of office of County Commissioners was administered by Chief District Court Judge, D. Jack Hooks, Jr., as follows:

"I, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and Laws of the United States, and the Constitution and Laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Board of Columbus County Commissioners, so help me God."

/s/ A. Dial Gray, III, Commissioner

/s/ Sammie Jacobs, Commissioner

/s/ Lynwood Norris, Commissioner

/s/ C. W. Williams, Commissioner

/s/ Ed Worley, Commissioner

Sworn to before me this the 7th day of December, 1992.

ATTEST:

/s/ D. Jack Hooks, Jr.

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator (SEAL)

Chief District Court Judge

OATH OF OFFICE - REGISTER OF DEEDS

At 8:40 A.M., December 7, 1992, the newly elected Register-of-Deeds met before the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, in the Superior Courtroom, Columbus County Courthouse, Whiteville, North Carolina and the oath of office of Register-of-Deeds was administered by Chief District Court Judge D. Jack Hooks, Jr.

"I, Ila N. Penny, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as Register-of-Deeds of Columbus County, so help me God."

/s/ Ila N. Penny, Register-of-Deeds

Sworn to before me this the 7th day of December, 1992.

ATTEST:

/s/ D. Jack Hooks, Jr.

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Chief District Court Judge

MEETING RECESSED

At 8:45 A.M., the Board of Commissioners concurred to recess until the Oaths of Office were administered to the Clerk of Court, assistants and deputies. Also, Oaths of Office were administered to the District Court Judges.

ASSEMBLY - BOARD MEETING

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in the Superior Courtroom, Columbus County Courthouse, Whiteville, NC, at 9:20 A.M., December 7, 1992, it being the first Monday.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD - CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

James E. Hill, Jr., acting Chairman, called the meeting to order and the Reverend Bennie Pledger, gave the invocation.

Attorney Hill briefed the Board on the procedure for selecting officers and then opened the floor for nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Commissioner Norris nominated Commissioner Koonce for Chairman and Commissioner Richardson for Vice Chairman.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jacobs.

There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, and seconded by Commissioner Gray to close the nominations.

Voting for Commissioner Koonce for Chairman and Commissioner Richardson for Vice Chairman were Commissioners Williams, Koonce, Richardson, Norris, Jacobs, Gray and Worley.

Attorney Hill announced that Commissioner Samuel G. Koonce was appointed Chairman and Commissioner Mike Richardson was appointed as Vice Chairman by acclamation for the ensuing year.

Chairman Koonce and Vice Chairman Richardson are authorized to sign all instruments on behalf of Columbus County. Resolution is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

Mike Richardson, Vice Chairman

A. Dial Gray, III

Sammie Jacobs

Lynwood Norris

C. W. Williams

Ed Worley

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney
Roy L. Lowe, Administrator
Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

Commissioner Koonce then assumed the duties of the Chairman and conducted the following business.

BOARD MINUTES - APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 16, 24, and 30, 1992 Board meetings, as recorded.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - EMERGENCY EXERCISE REPORT

David L. McPherson, Chairman of the Local Emergency Planning
Committee, gave a report on the Emergency Operation Plan for multihazards exercise that was held on November 14, 1992.

Mr. McPherson stated that the Committee recommends the following:

- 1. Additional training for volunteers.
- 2. Emergency Operation Center needs to be enlarged.
- 3. Communication system needs updating and expanding to include 911.
- 4. Contract with a HAZMAT Team to serve Columbus County and include in long-range plans for Columbus County to have its own HAZMAT Team.
- 5. Update County Plan in 1993.

The Board concurred for Mr. McPherson to pursue with obtaining a contract with a HAZMAT Team to serve Columbus County and present back to the Board for consideration of approval.

SURETY BONDS - EXAMINATION & APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve Surety Bonds on the following persons that are now in effect, the amounts and the expiration dates:

Ila Penny	\$ 15,000	December 7, 1996
Harold Rains	50,000	December 7, 1993
Linwood Cartrette	15,000	December 7, 1993

Dale Ward	15,000	December 7, 1993
Gayle Godwin	100,000	April 17, 1993
W.D. "Bill" Brooks	75,000	Cont. until canceled
Brenda Strickland	25,000	Cont. until canceled

SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE - ENDORSEMENT OF CAPITAL PROJECTS

Dr. Steve Scott, President of Southeastern Community College, advised the Board that the State Board of Community Colleges requested all schools to update their capital funds requests in preparation for presenting a bond referendum proposal to the 1993 General Assembly and has been asked to present two projects. The first priority is construction of a 13,640 square foot Nursing/Allied Health building at an estimated cost of \$1,309,400. The second priority is the renovation of the multi-purpose "G" building at an estimated cost of \$896,070. The only appropriation that will be required of Columbus County will be an increase of approximately \$33,145 in the annual County current expense to take care of utility expenses and custodial services. Dr. Scott requested the endorsement of the Board on these two projects.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to support and endorse the projects as requested by Dr. Steve Scott.

REZONING - LEGAL BILL TABLED

Chairman Koonce stated that a letter had been received from Michael Crowell, Tharrington, Smith & Hargrove, Attorneys, with an invoice attached from Richard Wright, Attorney, requesting legal fees to be paid from the County in the amount of \$7,066.25 for services in connection with the case: Charles R. Ward, et al., v. Columbus County, et al. ENDC, No. 90-20-CIV-7-BR. Richard Wright, a Tabor City Attorney, assisted Michael Crowell, a Raleigh Attorney, in defending the County in the lawsuit and was employed by the intervening parties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, and seconded by Commissioner Norris to pay Richard Wright, Attorney at Law, the sum of \$7,066.25 that will close the case.

Commissioner Williams of Chadbourn, one of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit, said the plaintiffs may be owed \$13,000 additional Attorney fees by the County. To date, the County has incurred all of the

plaintiffs attorney fees that has been submitted and they were not aware there may be additional costs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to table the request from Richard Wright to pay his bill for \$7,066.25 to assist Michael Crowell in defending the county lawsuit until all associated bills have been received.

<u>ELECTIONS - APPROVAL OF LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR ACCU-VOTE ES-</u> 2000

Frank Stanley, Jr., Chairman, of the Board of Elections, advised the Board that the Accu-Vote ES-2000 voting system successfully performed during the November 3, 1992, general election and requested the Board to pay the sum of \$150,248.00 to Global Election Systems, Mr. Stanley also requested the Board to consider additional software for the system at a cost of \$19,400.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the lease-purchase of the Accu-Vote ES-2000 voting system and the additional software needed at a total cost of \$169,248.00 with the sum of \$50,000 to be paid at the execution of the lease-purchase agreement. The lease-purchase financing for the balance of \$119,248.00 is to be negotiated by the County Administrator with lending institutions at the lowest interest rate available.

Further, a budget amendment was approved to transfer \$50,000.00 from Non-Departmental Contingency (10-660-9999) to be expended in Elections Capital Outlay - Voting equipment (10-430-7400).

Commissioner Richardson made a substitute motion to include numbers on the ballots for the next election.

Commissioner Richardson's motion died in lack of a second.

The vote on Commissioner Norris' motion is as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Williams, Koonce, Richardson, Norris,

Jacobs and Worley. (Note: See page 87 for correction)

NOES: Commissioner Richardson

The motion passed on a 6 - 1 vote.

GOVERNING BODY - VOTING DELEGATE APPOINTED FOR LEGISLATIVE GOALS CONFERENCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to designate the County Administrator, Roy L. Lowe, as voting delegate for the Legislative Goals Conference to be held December 10-11, 1992 at the Holiday Inn Four Seasons, Greensboro, North Carolina.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS - VARIOUS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments:

HEALTH - Breas	t & Cervical Cancer	
Accept 10-348-1202 State Funds		\$16,843.00
To be expended	<i>:</i>	
10-580-02	Salaries	6,236.00
10-580-05	FICA	700.00
10-580-06	Insurance	1,200.00
10-580-07	Retirement	864.00
10-580-04	Professional Services	6,000.00
10-580-14	Travel	100.00
10-580-33	Departmental Supplies	1,743.00
SHERIFF'S DEPA	RTMENT:	
Accept 10-355-	0000 Mis. Rev. Insurance Settlement	605.00

BUDGET AMENDMENTS - LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Expend 10-510-1700 M/R to Vehicles

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments (line item transfers).

605.00

MATERNAL HEALTH:

Increase	10-592-11	Telephone	\$ 1,000.00
Increase	10-592-32	Office Supplies	1,000.00
Increase	10-592-33	Departmental Supplies	1,000.00
Increase	10-592-46	Drugs & Supplies	8,000.00
Decrease	10-592-02	Salaries	(11,000.00)
GENERAL HEALTH:			
Increase	10-590-65	Medical & Drugs	\$ 6,000.00

Increase 10-590-46 Medical Supplies	5,000.00
Decrease 10-590-02 Salaries	(11,000.00)
HEALTHY GENERATIONS:	
Decrease 10-584-02 Salaries	(\$ 56.00)
Decrease 10-584-05 FICA	(30.00)
Decrease 10-584-06 Insurance	(30.00)
Decrease 10-584-07 Retirement	(1.00)
Decrease 10-584-11 Telephone	(11.00)
Increase 10-584-14 Travel	288.00
Increase 10-584-32 Office Supplies	5.00
Decrease 10-590-02 General Salaries	(165.00)
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:	
Increase 10-510-8100 Lease cars principal	\$38,376.00
Decrease 10-510-7400 Capital Outlay	(38,376.00)
AGING DEPARTMENT:	
Increase 12-607-0201 Longevity	\$ 264.00
Increase 12-609-0201 Longevity	66.00
Decrease 12-348-0800 Title III-B Chore	(66.00)
Decrease 12-348-0900 Title XX Chore	(264.00)
AGING DEPARTMENT:	
Decrease 12-607-4500 Contract Services	(\$2,956.00)
Increase 12-609-4500 Contract Services	2,956.00
REGISTER OF DEEDS:	
Decrease 10-480-0200 Salaries	(\$1,500.00)
Increase 10-480-1400 Travel	1,500.00

APPOINTMENT - BOARD OF HEALTH

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to appoint Commissioner Dial Gray to serve on the Board of Health to replace Junior Dew.

APPOINTMENT & EXPANSION- SOCIAL SERVICES' BOARD

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appoint Commissioner Williams to serve on the Social Services' Board to replace Junior Dew. Further, to expand the Columbus County Board of Social Services from the present three (3) members to five (5) members, with an additional Commissioner serving on the Board of Social Services.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams to appoint Commissioner Jacobs as the additional Board of Commissioner to serve on the Social Services Board.

Commissioner Jacobs withdrew his name as the nomination due to personal reasons.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to appoint Commissioner Richardson to serve as the additional Board of Commissioner on the Social Services Board. Commissioner Richardson will become a member of the Social Services Board when the request to change from a three (3) member Board to a five (5) member Board has been approved by the State Social Services Commission.

APPOINTMENT - SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to appoint Commissioner Jacobs to serve on the Southeastern Regional Mental Health Board of Directors to replace Junior Dew.

APPOINTMENT - CAPE FEAR COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to appoint Commissioner Williams to serve on the Cape Fear Council of Governments as an ex-officio member, to replace Junior Dew.

APPOINTMENT - COUNTY ATTORNEY

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to appoint James E. Hill, Jr. as County Attorney, for the upcoming year. The Board requested Attorney Hill to furnish a letter stating what duties he performs for the retainer fee paid by the County.

The letter furnished by James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney is as follows:

The only legal requirements for county attorneys are set forth in North Carolina General Statute, Chapter 153A, Part 7, section 114, which reads: "The Board of Commissioners shall appoint a county attorney to serve at its pleasure and be it's legal advisor.

I have always taken the position that I receive my directions and instructions from the majority of the Board of Commissioners when

they sit as a Board in session. I will always be available to answer the legal questions of the individual commissioners out of session on public business, without passing on the political or other ramification of the same. I also serve all other agencies of the county when requested, including the Administrator's office. The county attorney is the only employee of the county that is responsible to the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County directly and not the Administrator. There are no other statutory duties of the county attorney.

I am presently representing the county in various court suits from tax suits, civil liabilities case and injunctive type relief matters. I do not represent the Sheriff's Department on criminal matters since this if the function of the District Attorney's Office for the 13th Judicial District.

I trust this letter generally outlines the duties of my office without in any way limiting the outside limits. I will be available to answer any other questions as they may come up.

/s/ James E. Hill, Jr.

PAYROLL- DISTRIBUTION OF DECEMBER, 1992 CHECKS

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the distribution of payroll checks for the month of December to be issued on December 21, 1992.

TAX - RELEASES & REFUND

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to approve the tax releases and refunds as recommended by the Tax Administrator.

Lucille Davis Bussey; vehicle listed in Bladen County. Amount \$137.64, valuation \$3,760, year 1988, account #17-05385.

Terry Lavern Creech; 1983 Toyota, insurance cancelled 9-23-85.

Amount \$49.19, valuation \$5,200, year 1986, account #17-07860.

Margaret Louise Green; 1981 Mazda, listed in New Hanover County.

Amount \$10.93, valuation \$1,440, year 1991, account #17-14454.

William C. & Helen F. Lewis; 2% discount not absorbed by computer on releases presented after 8-31-92. Amount \$3.63, year 1992, account #04-10200.

American Finance Group; leased equipment rebilled to State Street Bank and Trust Company. Amount \$29,679.05, valuation \$4,301,312, year 1992, account #15-00405.

Maybelline Bell; vehicle listed on Eddie Bell #01-04205. Amount \$110.31, valuation \$1,030, year 1988, account #17-01647.

Mattie Lee Simon Boyd; affixed mobile home repossessed in 1989.

Amount \$166.64, valuation \$39,200, year 1990, account #06-02180.

Crowell TV & VCR; late list keyed-in through error. Also 2% discount presented after 8-31-92, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$15.27, year 1992, account #01-18520.

Deedre Renee Flowers; did not own 1982 Ford 1-1-88. Acquired November of 1988. Amount \$119.72, valuation \$1,970, year 1988, account #17-11217.

John Daniel & Alice L. Gooden; double-wide mobile home listed on Real property G-2-35. Amount \$77.21, valuation \$11,190, year 1992, account #12-09560.

Gore Company % Daniel Gore; business audits billed in error on account #03-08813. No discovery. Amount \$1,633.89, valuation \$143,827, years 1987-92, account #03-08813.

Estelle S. Greene; F-8-16, vacant house, valuation reduced (termite damage). Amount \$51.68, valuation \$6,800, year 1992.

Gurganus Milling Company, Inc.; 2% discount not absorbed by computer on releases presented after 8-31-92. Amount \$15.22, year 1992, account #01-35700.

H.R. Health Care Properties; CH-1-278 rebilled to Furnie Nobles on #13-29740. Amount \$31.67, valuation \$5,300, year 1992, account #13-17036.

Winfred Charles Malpass; farm trailer never licensed. Not a discovery but a late listing. Amount \$100, year 1988, account #17-25483.

Gloria June Martin; double-wide mobile home double-listed on real property, H-6-14B. Amount \$183.31, valuation \$24,120, year 1992, account #13-26807.

Alvie Oliver; E-3-34, house 60% complete 1-1-92. Amount \$186.99, valuation \$27,100, year 1992, account #12-20810.

Lonnie Wayne Parker; does not own real property X-5-13A, only

personal property. Lot and house rebilled to Sandra K. Graham as X-4-110A on #15-16524. Amount \$418.70, valuation \$53,000, year 1992, account #15-29080.

Jeffery Rich; late list penalty already imposed on account #17-31101, Susan Rich; taxes paid. Amount \$100.00, year 1989, account #17-31099.

Christopher Darryl Rooks; 1990 Buick was listed in Pamlico County for 1992. Amount \$67.62, valuation \$9,800, year 1992, account #01-77710.

Gloria Gail Smith; vehicle listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$29.24, valuation \$3,400, year 1983, account #03-22480.

Charles Lynwood Spivey; vehicle not in Columbus County in 1988. Wrecked and totalled prior to 1-1-88. Amount \$115.92, valuation \$1,590, year 1988, account #17-350-43.

Mary Gladys Stanley; 1978 Chevrolet junked September 1986.

Also, 1977 Mercury already listed on regular listing as 1981 Buick to Hezekiah & Gladys Stanley. Amount \$39.92, valuation \$4,220, years 1986, 87, account #17-35470.

S.P. Stanley (Mr. & Mrs.); J-5B-26, wrong acreage (billed with 1.89 acre tract; should be one lot 60×157). Amount \$117.86, valuation \$16,600, year 1992, account #01-88740.

Boyd Lee Strickland; D-5-51G, house reduced from \$86,000 to \$67,900 (80% complete on 1-1-92). Amount \$142.99, valuation \$18,100, year 1992, account #16-13903.

Mrs. J.M. Strickland; D-7-21, double listed to D-7-20 on #16-14260, Everett & Robert Earl Strickland. Amount \$23.70, valuation \$3,000, year 1992, account #16-14700.

Samuel V. Thompson, Jr.; affixed double-wide mobile home rebilled to Gloria Ann Thompson as a leasehold on J-4-66, account #01-93743. Amount \$397.60, valuation \$56,000, years 1991-92, account #01-94760.

Silver Thorne; mobile home and 1979 Mercury double listed on #17-33090, Nellie and Silver Thorne. Amount \$121.69, valuation \$14,150, year 1986, account #07-18010.

Elma Ward; K-10-1, tenant house valued \$200, moved since December, 1991. Also failed to receive the Senior Citizens' exemption

on lot and house. Amount \$84.18, valuation \$12,200, year 1992, account #03-26467.

Lynwood Wright; personal property rebilled to Lynwood W. (Woody) Wright on account #06-45107. Amount \$174.12, valuation \$18,300, year 1992, account #06-45103.

Samuel Ashley Wright; 1979 GMC over priced. Amount \$6.56, valuation \$950, year 1992, account #09-36401.

John Leonard, Jr. and Deborah Zandy; personal property overpriced. Amount \$13.85, valuation \$1,950, year 1992, account #02-09902.

Release Solid Waste user fees on the following persons:

NAME	AMOUNT	YEAR	ACCOUNT NO.
Mattie Lee Simon Boyd	\$30.00	1991	06-02180
Ruth Dowless	30.00	1992	15-12380
E.D. Ezzell Gen. Contractor	30.00	1992	03-06785
John Daniel & Alice Gooden	30.00	1992	12-09560
Danny and J. David Long	30.00	1992	09-16784
Gloria June Martin	30.00	1992	13-26807
Lonnie Wayne Parker	30.00	1992	15-29080
Janice A. Richardson	30.00	1992	01-21923
Douglas L. & Hazel S. Rooks	54.00	1992	01-77740
Samuel V. Thompson, Jr.	60.00	1991–92	01-94760
Billy Rae & Edna Walker	20.00	1992	07-18460
Roedell Walker	18.00	1991	01-99780

Ordered; that a refund check be issued to Rodell Walker, Post Office Box 979, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, in the amount of \$18.00, year 1990, account #01-99780.

BUILDINGS - RENOVATION OF BOARD ROOM

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, and seconded by Commissioner Gray to proceed with seeking bids on the renovation of the Commissioners' Board Room. Bids will be accepted on cost plus, or a firm bid.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to submit a construction draft of the Board Room to all contractors who are interested in submitting bids.

COMMISSIONER (DIAL GRAY) - EXCUSED FROM VOTING IN NEGOTIATIONS ON BOWMAN-GRAY FARM PROPERTY DUE TO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Commissioner A. Dial Gray, III, presented a letter from Pope & Sessoms, Attorneys at Law, explaining his involvement with the Committee of 100 and its purchase and option of property known as a portion of the Bowman-Gray Farm, near Southeastern Community College, which is property his wife, Betty, inherited. Commissioner Gray stated he will gladly excuse himself from any discussions which might affect the County Board of Commissioners in negotiations, financing or discussing the development of this property if the Board determines it is a conflict of interest.

GOVERNING BODY - ORIENTATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously, that in the future, to conduct a orientation for new Board members before they take office to allow them to become more familiar with the issues of the County.

BUILDINGS - DEPT. OF SOCIAL SERVICES (BOARD REJECTS DEVELOPER'S PROPOSAL)

Commissioner Richardson requested the Board to accept J & J Developers' proposal for the Social Services' facility. The price is about \$2.5 million, the time frame is good as the developers say they can finish the building within six months of signing the Contract. The proposal from J & J Developers is that the new offices will be built behind the existing Social Services building with additional land being bought from a private landowner and to demolish the existing building for parking space.

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, and seconded by Commissioner Gray to accept the bid from J & J Developers and include in the bidding process.

A decision was made by the Board on November 30, 1992 to advertise for bids for a new building that would be constructed on county-owned property.

AYES: Commissioners Williams, Richardson and Gray

NOES: Commissioners Koonce, Norris, Jacobs and Worley

The motion failed on a 4-3 vote.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 A.M.

APPROVED:

Clerk to Board

Chairman