The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met at their said office, 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC, at 7:30 P.M., June 21, 1993, it being the third Monday.

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

PUBLIC HEARING - 1993-94 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET

Chairman Samuel G. Koonce called the public hearing to order for comments on the 1993-94 Proposed Operating Budget and the Reverend Carrie Bullard, Pastor of the Boardman Pentecostal Holiness Church gave the invocation.

The Chairman requested that anyone wishing to speak concerning the 1993-94 Proposed Operating Budget to be recognized by stating their name and the agency or department they are representing.

The following persons spoke in reference to the 1993-94 Proposed Operating Budget:

Tommy Nance, Columbus County Schools' Superintendent, requested additional capital outlay in the amount of \$744,000 and 5% additional current expense funding.

Richard Wright, spoke in reference to School funding and using abandoned buildings for offices.

Jo Anne Barnes, Columbus County School Board member, requested extra funding for the County Schools.

Otis McNeill, Whiteville City Schools Superintendent, requested capital outlay be restored to last years funding, plus \$30,000 and a 5% increase in Current Expense.

Chris Hammonds, Social Services Employee, requested the Board's consideration on the reinstatement of retroactive retirement benefits for employees who have worked for the state and/or federal programs, prior to County employment.

Craven Sealey, Columbus County School Board Chairman, requested the Board to reconsider the proposed budget appropriations for the schools.

Chairman Koonce, reminded the County and City School Boards that in 1989, when the Schools were requesting a 16,400,000.00 Bond Referendum, that the School Boards advised the Board of Commissioners that funds all over \$600,000 of Article 40 and 42 (one-half cents each Article) sales tax that is earmarked for Schools' Capital Outlay, could go toward paying debt service.

Fax Rector, representing Columbus County Day Care Centers, inquired if Southeastern Community College is repaying the loan of \$100,000 to Columbus County for a Child Day Care Center which was the contribution toward the receipt of a \$75,000 Community Development Block Grant.

Dennis Worley, stated his concern to utilize downtown buildings for office space and keep taxes at a minimum.

Administrator Lowe, stated that every building that has been mentioned to provide space for a Social Services Building has been explored and considered and as yet, there has not been one that can provide the office and parking space without costing more money than constructing a new building. Also, reimbursement from the State plays a significant role in the construction and/or renovations of buildings to house the Department of Social Services.

Calvin Duncan, requested the Board to consider the children in the County as the number one priority.

Coleman Barbour, requested the Board to consider education as the number one priority.

Jo Anne Vereen, Social Services' Director, requested the Board to allow Social Services three (3) additional employees; two (2) social workers and one (1) clerical worker. The line item for Family preservation Grant in the amount of \$16,667 can be

eliminated for this FY and can be used to match the Social Workers positions with a balance of \$4,547.00 to be used to hire the clerical worker with the Board to appropriate the additional \$3,795 from county funds.

Marian Duncan, requested an additional employee in Environmental Health as changes in the Legislature has placed more work on the Sanitarians.

There being no further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to close the public hearing at 8:20 P.M.

Immediately following the public hearing, Chairman Koonce then called the regular scheduled Board meeting to order.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 1, and June 7, 1993 Board meetings, as recorded.

<u>FLAG PRESENTATION - CARLTON BALDWIN, WOODMEN OF THE WORLD</u> REPRESENTATIVE

Carlton Baldwin, representing Woodmen of the World, presented the Board with a North Carolina State Flag and a United States Flag displayed on brass poles and stands to be placed in the County Commissioners' Chambers.

FIRE & RESCUE - BUCKHEAD ESTABLISHED AS TAX SERVICE DISTRICT

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to establish Buckhead Fire Department as a tax service district with a tax rate of six cents (\$0.06) per \$100 property tax valuation. The Contract and tax service district boundaries are as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA

COLUMBUS COUNTY

CONTRACT

This Contract is entered into this 21st day of June, 1993, by and between COLUMBUS COUNTY, a body politic existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as "County"

and BUCKHEAD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, a non-profit corporation organized pursuant to the laws of the State of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as "Contractor."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department is an unincorporated rural fire district organized pursuant to the laws of the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department, owns the land and building used as the fire station for the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department located on Highway 1740, Route # 1, Box 95, Bolton, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department, owns all firefighting equipment located in the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department station; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County wishes to contract with Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department to provide fire-fighting and fire-prevention services within the boundaries of the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department, a description of which is on file in the office of the County Emergency Management, in Whiteville, North Carolina, and which is incorporated herein by reference, said contract being entered into pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 153A-233;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and premises herein contained the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The said County contracts and agrees that it will caused to be assessed or levied a special tax of six (.06) cents per one hundred dollars evaluation of all real and personal property in the district unless otherwise limited or prohibited by law and will collect said tax as a part of the Ad Valorem taxes of the County of Columbus; provided however, the amount levied annually shall be based on the needs projected in the budget submitted by the Fire Department to the County and approved by the County Commissioners.
- 2. The County shall maintain an adequate record for funds collected as a result of said special tax.
- 3. That the current taxes collected shall be remitted to the Fire Department by the end of the month following the month of

collection. All delinquent taxes collected shall be remitted at least quarterly; provided, however, that the total sums remitted to the Fire Department in any fiscal year hereunder shall not exceed the sum appropriated for said service during said fiscal year.

4. The said Fire Department shall provide and furnish adequate fire protection. The Fire Chief of the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department shall be responsible for the dispatching of the equipment and personnel throughout the Buckhead Volunteer Fire District and to see that the Standards as established by the North Carolina Department of Insurance, Fire and Rescue Service Division are met within the local capabilities.

The said Fire Department will furnish said fire protection within the Buckhead Volunteer Fire District free of charge to all persons and individuals located within the District. Nothing within this Contract shall prohibit the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department from soliciting charitable donations, or conducting fund-raising to solely benefit the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department.

- 5. That all funds paid to the Fire Department by the County shall be used exclusively to provide fire protection within the District and to pay other legitimate fire protection expenses.
- 6. It is agreed that the County may inspect all books and amounts of the Fire Department at any time that it shall desire; it is further agreed that the Fire Department will present to the County Commissioners an annual audit by a Certified Public Accountant, which audit shall be in conformity with the then existing audit policies of the County and the North Carolina local Government Commission.
- 7. The Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department agrees to comply with County budgeting procedures and other practices provided for by State law, and agrees to submit budget estimates to the Board of Commissioners on standard forms used by the County Department; the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department agrees to use standard line items for accounting devised or consented by the County Budget Officer from time to time.

- 8. Either the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department or the County of Columbus may terminate this Agreement at the end of any fiscal year by giving the other party notice at least six (6) months in advance.
- 9. The terms and provisions herein contained constitute the entire Agreement by and between the County and the Buckhead Volunteer Fire Department, and shall supersede all previous communications, representations or agreements either verbal or written between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument has been executed in duplicate originals, one of which is retained by each of the parties herein.

BUCKHEAD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

BY: /s/ Walter "Tommy" Freeman

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary

(SEAL)

COLUMBUS COUNTY

BY: /s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/ Ida L. Smith

Clerk to the Board

(SEAL)

Contract is properly executed, certified and notarized.

BUCKHEAD FIRE DISTRICT

COLUMBUS COUNTY

5-Mile Area

Beginning at point (1) on Road 1807 at the Columbus-Bladen County Line; thence easterly along the Columbus-Bladen County Line to point (2) at its intersection with Road 1853; thence southeasterly to point (3) on Road 1740 at the bridge over Waymans Creek; thence southwesterly to point (4) on road 1800 at the bridge over Friar Swamp; thence westerly along Friar Swamp to point (5) at it's intersection with Road 1800; thence northwesterly to point

(6) on Road 1740, 1.4 miles southwest of its intersection with Road 1737; thence northeasterly into Bladen County to point (7) on Road 1730, 0.6 mile northwest of its intersection with the Columbus-Bladen County Line; thence northeasterly to point (8) on N. C. Highway 211, 1.7 miles northwest of its intersection with the Columbus-Bladen County Line; thence southeasterly to point (1), the beginning.

NOTE: This description describes an area of Columbus and Bladen Counties pursuant to General Statute 153A-233 for insurance grading purposes only.

NOTE: Points 4 and 5 are adjoining points with Bolton Fire
District

NOTE: Point 6 is an adjoining point with East Columbus Fire District.

1993-94 PROPOSED BUDGET - ADOPTION TABLED UNTIL JUNE 23, 1993

Chairman Koonce stated that adoption of the 1993-94
Proposed Operating Budget was not included on the agenda but would
like for the Board to consider the adoption at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to exclude the proposed salary increase of 2.4% for the Governing Body.

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, requested that the proposed salary increase of 2.4% for the attorney also be excluded from the budget.

The Board concurred with Attorney Hill's request. This reduction will amount to the sum of TWO THOUSAND, SEVENTY-THREE (\$2,073.00) DOLLARS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, and seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to allow the Department of Social Services the three (3) positions as requested by Jo Anne Vereen, Social Services Director, with funding in the amount of \$16,667 to be transferred from Family Preservation and the additional \$3,795 to be funded from Fund Balance.

AYES: Commissioners Koonce, Williams and Jacobs

NOES: Commissioners Richardson, Norris, Gray and Worley

The motion failed on a 4 - 3 vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed to allow the Department of Social Services two (2) Social Worker positions, transferring funds in the amount of \$ 12,120.00 from the Social Services budget, Family Preservation line item.

AYES: Commissioners Richardson, Norris, Koonce,
Williams, Jacobs and Worley

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NOES: Commissioner Gray

The motion passed on a 6 - 1 vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed to set a time and date later in the month for approving the budget to allow the Board more time to consider the adoption of the budget.

AYES: Commissioners Richardson, Norris, Gray,
Williams, Jacobs and Worley

NOES: Commissioner Koonce

The motion passed on a 6 - 1 vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to recess the June 21, 1993 Board meeting until 7:30 P.M., June 23, 1993, for adoption of the 1993-94 Columbus County Operating Budget.

APPOINTMENTS - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to re-appoint the following persons to serve on the Columbus County Economic Development Commission Board with three (3) year terms; terms expiring June 30, 1996.

- E. Rhone Sasser, P.O. Box 632, Whiteville, NC
- R. C. Soles, Jr., P.O. Box 6, Tabor City, NC
- O. Richard Wright, Jr., P.O. Box 457, Tabor City, NC

APPOINTMENTS - SAFETY COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to re-appoint the following persons to serve on the Safety Committee for Fiscal Year 1993-94:

John H. Moore, Jr., Emergency Mgt., Chairman
Neil Floyd, Health Department
Betty Redwine, HUD
Linda Riggins, Finance
Leroy Sellers, Maintenance
Joan Stephens, Social Services
Howard Turbeville, Sheriff's Department
Bill Waddell, Tax Department

APPOINTMENTS - NURSING/DOMICILIARY HOME ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to re-appoint the following persons to serve on the Columbus County Nursing/Domiciliary Home Advisory Committee for two year terms, with terms expiring June 30, 1995.

Miriam Holt, P.O. Box 296, Lake Waccamaw, NC

Cathy Neilson, 809 Pecan Lane, Lake Waccamaw, NC

Rosa Dell Martin, Bella Coola Estates, Lake Waccamaw

Arrie Alexander, Route 1, Box 287, Hallsboro, NC

Paul Benton, 218 Live Oak Street, Tabor City, NC

APPOINTMENT - LIBRARY BOARD

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to re-appoint Mary Cartret to serve on the Columbus County Library Board for a four (4) year term, with term expiring June 30, 1997.

FIRE DEPARTMENTS - BRUNSWICK AND WHITE MARSH-WELCHES CREEK RADIO APPROVALS

The Chairman stated that letters have been received from Brunswick and White Marsh-Welches Creek Volunteer Fire Departments requesting the Board to purchase radios for newly purchased equipment. The following bids were received for the Board's consideration:

Communication Specialists Co., Inc. \$1,100.00
330 Wrightsville Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28403
Palmetto Communication Services, Inc. \$822.26
Florence, SC

Piedmont Communications Co., Inc. \$ 653.00

1519 Camden Avenue

Durham, NC 27704

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to award the Brunswick and White Marsh-Welches Creek Volunteer Fire Departments the sum of ONE-THOUSAND, FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$1,045.00 in accordance with policy adopted 11-19-90) toward the purchase of a radio of their choice to be installed on the newly purchased equipment with the purchase to be coordinated by the Columbus County Fire Marshal. The appropriation will be made from Non-Departmental Contingency (10-660-9999) in the amount of \$2,090.00 to be expended in Special Appropriations (10-690-9501) Radios for the Brunswick and White Marsh Volunteer Fire Departments.

CABLEVISION ORDINANCE - TABLED

The Board reached a general consensus to table the Cablevision Ordinance until the meeting of June 23, 1993.

COUNTY COMPLEX - UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE

Dempsey Herring, Recreation Director, updated on the Board on the status of the infrastructure for the Social Services Building.

SHERIFF DEPT. - POLICE CAR LEASE PROPOSAL TABLED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to table the police car proposal for the Sheriff's Department from Quality Motor Company, Incorporated.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS - VARIOUS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments for various departments:

HUD:

Increase	50-300-2826	Surplus funds	\$	293.00
Increase	50-410-4590	Administrative		105.00
Increase	50-410-4150	Travel		650.00
Increase	50-410-4190	Sundry		390.00
Decrease	50-410-4400	M & R Equipment	((657.00)

Decrease 50-410-4540 FICA, Retirement, Life	(195.00)						
ADMINISTRATION:							
10-420-7400 Capital Outlay	4,000.00						
10-660-7400 Computer Programs	(4,000.00)						
REGISTER OF DEEDS:							
10-325-0200 State Excise Tax	\$4,360.00						
10-480-9200 Conveyance Tax	4,360.00						
EMERGENCY FOOD PROGRAM:							
10-348-2701 Additional Emergency Food Revenue	\$2,200.00						
10-700-9500 Emergency Food Program	2,200.00						
SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND:							
35-359-0300 Additional Tipping Fees	\$76,080.00						
Increase 35-580-1500 M/R Buildings & Grounds	1,000.00						
Increase 35-580-3300 Departmental Supplies	10.00						
Increase 35-580-4500 Contracts	76,510.00						
Decrease 35-580-1700 M/R Vehicles	(1,200.00)						
Decrease 35-580-5400 Insurance	(140.00)						
Decrease 35-580-1800 M/R Radios	(100.00)						
ANIMAL CONTROL:							
10-399-0000 Fund Bal. App. (Reserved 1991-92)	\$10,000.00						
Increase 10-599-7400 Capital Outlay/Truck							
	\$10,000.00						
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46-310-0000	Special District Tax	1,100.00
46-700-9200	Remittance to District	1,100.00
41-310-0000	Special District Tax	950.00
41-700-9200	Remittance to District	950.00
43-310-0000	Special District Tax	1,000.00
43-700-0000	Remittance to District	1,000.00
51-310-0000	Special District Tax	810.00
51-700-9200	Remittance to District	810.00
44-310-0000	Special District Tax	1,000.00
44-700-9200	Remittance to District	1,000.00

TAX RELEASES

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

Furney Baldwin Heirs; unidentified property. Does not exist. Amount \$519.54, valuation \$66,420, years 1983 through 1992, account # 14-00760.

Teresa Barefoot Blackwell; 1979 Chevrolet double-listed on Jimmy C. & Teresa Blackwell. Amount \$33.11, valuation \$3,500, year 1986, account # 17-02620.

Rose F. Collier, Inc.; 1979 BMW was sold to Charles Royal in 1984. Amount \$77.57, valuation \$8,200, year 1986, account # 17-07230.

S. F. Cartrette; unidentified property. Does not exist.

Amount \$730.96, valuation \$87,200, years 1983 through 1992, account

13-07740.

Janet Marie Grainger; 1983 Datsun listed in Brunswick County where she resides. Amount \$43.52, valuation \$4,600, year 1986, account # 17-15630.

E. D. Graham Heirs; BT-2-112 double-listed to BT-2-107, BT-2-109, 109A, 109B & 109C. Amount \$702.65, valuation \$92,580, years 1983 through 1992, account # 04-06160.

Betty Strickland Haynes; 1979 Ford was double-listed to Elmer Haynes, Jr. Amount \$31.22, valuation \$3,300, year 1986, account # 17-17570.

Mary Jane Hickman; unidentified property. Does not exist. Amount \$106.90, valuation \$14,000, years 1990 through 1992, account # 12-11920.

Diane Graham Jackson; 1980 Chevrolet not in Columbus County on 1-1-90. Moved to Florida in June, 1989. Amount \$128.42, valuation \$3,800, year 1990, account # 17-19447.

Cecile Lewis; valuation of vacant house reduced; wrong house billed to L-3-148. Amount \$92.34, valuation \$4,200, years 1991 and 1992, account # 14-09163.

Georgia V. Melvin; 1984 Ford listed in Spartanburg, S.
C. since 1984. Amount \$44.72, valuation \$5,200, year 1986, account # 06-25446.

Myrtle Scott Powers; 1988 Nissan stolen on 8-11-91 and burned. Amount \$32.11, valuation \$4,230, year 1992, account # 17-30129.

Mrs. M. E. Reaves; unidentified property. Does not exist. Amount \$157.57, valuation \$22,200, years 1983 through 1992, account # 07-13820.

Susie Spaulding; unidentified property. Does not exist.

Amount \$554.22, valuation \$73,200, years 1983 through 1992, account # 11-25640.

Hubert R. Stevens; J-8-45, acreage corrected per survey.

Amount \$66.27, valuation \$9,400, years 1990 and 1991, account # 01-89900.

J. Ranson Heirs; unidentified property. Does not exist.

Amount \$1,170.65, valuation \$151,320, years 1983 through 1992,

account # 07-15360.

Sammy Delane Watkins; clerical error. Amount \$36.00, valuation \$5,245, years 1990 and 1991, account # 13-42720.

W. C. Williamson; unidentified property. Does not exist.

Amount \$1,093.70, valuation \$142,000, years 1983 through 1992,

account # 07-19400.

Arlene & J. B. Davis; K-7A-109, same as K-7A-111, listed to James Edward and Louise Davis on account 01-19760. Amount \$52.82, valuation \$7,600, years 1990 and 1991, account # 01-19280.

J. L. Hamilton & Sons, Inc.; business Audit Discovery. Valuation corrected. Amount \$496.32, valuation \$58,984, years 1989 through 1992, account # 10-07382.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Gilbert James Anderson, Route # 1, Cerro Gordo, N. C. 28430 in the amount of \$4.06 for year 1992. 1965 Falcon and 1964 Truck listed through error. Not licensed. Valuation \$588, account # 10-00380.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - LETTER OF RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

William Lee Smith, Economic Development Commission Director, presented the Board with a letter of resignation as Director of the Economic Development Commission effective July 6, 1993. Mr. Smith reported that he has accepted the position as County Manager of Washington County, Plymouth, N.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to accept William Lee Smith's resignation as Economic Development Commission Director.

SOCIAL SERVICES - AWARDS PRESENTATION TO FOOD STAMPS AND AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN PROGRAMS EMPLOYEES

Jo Anne Vereen, Social Services' Director, and Kathryn Foley, Income Maintenance Administrator, advised the Board that the Columbus County Department of Social Services recently received awards of excellence from state officials for its Food Stamp and Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs. The Food Stamp Office was recognized for its compliance with wage accuracy, unit communications, meeting normal processing times and meeting emergency processing times. The AFDC staff was recognized for wage accuracy, unit communications, timely reviews and meeting process time standards in two areas.

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to write a letter of congratulations to the Food Stamp and Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs employees from the Board of Commissioners.

911 COMMITTEE - SPACE NEEDS

Commissioner Mike Richardson, Chairman of the 911 Committee, presented a proposal from the 911 Committee outlining the space in the Miller Building that will be needed to house the 911 communications system.

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, and seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to accept the 911 Committee's recommendation concerning space for the 911 Communications system.

Cathy Baker, representing the Mental Health Department, stated that the three (3) rooms that were proposed for the 911 system are needed to accommodate severely handicapped persons and questioned if the Board will consider providing additional space for the Mental Health Department.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to table the 911 Committee's space recommendation until the space needs can be explored again and will be addressed at the next regular Board meeting.

COUNTY BUILDINGS - REIMBURSEMENT FINANCING RESOLUTION TABLED

Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator, informed the Board that a proposed Installment Contract Financing Resolution has been received from Mr. Gundars Aperans, representing Brown & Wood, requesting the Board to adopt the resolution establishing the intent of the County to be reimbursed from the proceeds of one or more tax-exempt financing pursuant to G.S. 160A-20 for expenditures paid with respect to the projects described in the resolution (Social Services Capital Improvements).

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to table the Resolution until the next Board meeting.

MEETING RECESSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to recess the Board meeting at 9:45 P.M. and resume at 7:30 P.M., June 23, 1993.

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