#### **COLUMBUS COUNTY**

# BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### **MINUTES**

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC, at 7:30 P.M., April 18, 1994, 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

Dempsey B. Herring, Special Projects Coordinator

### PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Chairman Koonce called the public hearing to order for the purpose of considering a proposed Installment Purchase Agreement between the County and a North Carolina nonprofit corporation which the county would obtain financing pursuant to Section 160A-20 of the General Statutes of North Carolina for the acquisition, construction and equipping a project for the County's Department of Social Services.

Chairman Koonce requested comments from anyone present in reference to the public hearing.

There were no comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to close the public hearing.

#### REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Chairman Koonce called the meeting to order and

Commissioner Williams gave the invocation.

#### BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 4, 1994 Board meeting, as recorded.

### RESOLUTION - FRANCES JENKINS

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution:

# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Frances Jenkins is a first-grade teacher at the Chadbourn Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Frances Jenkins was the 1993 Elementary School Teacher District Winner of the North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation and ICI Agricultural Products, the program that creates an awareness and appreciation of the value of conservation education; and

WHEREAS, Frances Jenkins was selected as the North
Carolina State Winner in the 1993 NACD-Zeneca Elementary Teacher
Conservation Education Awards Program; and

WHEREAS, Frances Jenkins was the National Winner for K-6 teachers on developing and instructing her innovative, hands-on science program that introduces students to natural resource issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners hereby applaud Frances Jenkins as "The 1993 Elementary School Conservation Teacher of the Year" as recognized by the National Association of Conservation Districts and commend her for her commitment to the conservation of our natural resources that is so important for sustaining future generations.

ADOPTED the 18th day of April, 1994.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

#### RESOLUTION - FINANCING DSS BUILDING

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution:

# RESOLUTION

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Columbus County, North Carolina, at their regular meeting on the 18th day of April, 1994, at Whiteville, Columbus County, North Carolina, unanimously adopted the following Resolution.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Columbus County must construct an adequate and functional facility for the Columbus County Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County's intentions are to place the financing for the construction of the facility with a private lending institution as provided by the North Carolina General Statute 160A-20; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County will finance an amount not to exceed TWO MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,400,000.00) for the project; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County will be eligible to reimburse itself for 50 percent of the project through state and federal reimbursements to Columbus County for Social Services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners endorse this project and its method of financing.

ADOPTED this the 18th day of April, 1994.

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator

#### BUILDINGS (SOCIAL SERVICES) - FINANCING PROPOSAL ACCEPTED WITH UCB

Dempsey Herring, Assistant to the Administrator/Special Projects, advised the Board that three (3) proposals were received for financing the Columbus County's new Department of Social Services Facility. Mr. Herring reported that United Carolina Bank

was the only one who made a firm offer. Mr. Herring further reported that the terms of the proposal for financing, are based on a non-qualified bank rate until January 1, 1995. The non-qualified status loan will automatically revert to a bank-qualified loan on January 1, 1995 and will be reclassified on interest rates at that time. Also, United Carolina Bank will waive all fees in regards to the financing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to accept United Carolina Bank's proposal dated March 11, 1994, for financing of the Columbus County's Department of Social Services.

### PROCLAMATION - COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the following Proclamation. The Proclamation was presented to Wyatt Richardson, President of the Student Government at Southeastern Community College.

### COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH 1994

#### A PROCLAMATION

whereas, North Carolina's Community Colleges are studentcentered, open-access institutions providing high quality, lowcost applied technological, occupational and academic education for many citizens, among them individuals who might not otherwise be able to attend college or complete their high school education; and

WHEREAS, Community College programs provide the first two
(2) years of a four (4) year degree or lead directly to employment,
as well as providing services tailored to fit the needs of local
individuals, communities, businesses and industries; and

WHEREAS, Community Colleges are vital to education and economic development in our County and State, having trained and re-trained thousands of men and women so that they could become more productive workers; and

WHEREAS, Southeastern Community College has served Columbus County since 1964, and last year alone provided occupational training for three thousand four hundred fifty-seven (3,457) persons; a college transfer education to one thousand three

hundred fifty-seven (1,357) persons; adult literacy training for one thousand four hundred twenty-seven (1,427) persons; and additional programs and services for thirteen thousand three hundred three (13, 303) citizens; and

WHEREAS, in April, 1994, more than one thousand two hundred (1,200) community, junior and technical colleges, across the country, will observe National Community College Month, celebrating the theme "Leadership for a Changing World" and recognizing the positive impact these institutions have on the communities and states which they serve; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., has proclaimed April, 1994, as "Community College Month" in North Carolina.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, does hereby proclaim April, 1994, as "Community College Month" in Columbus County, North Carolina, and join Governor Hunt in urging our citizens to use, visit and support our local community college, Southeastern Community College.

# COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS /s/ SAMUEL G. KOONCE, Chairman

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Chairman of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners in the County Seat of Whiteville, this the eighteenth (18th) day of April in the year of our Lord, nineteen and ninety-four (1994).

/s/ IDA L. SMITH, CLERK TO BOARD

#### ORDINANCE - ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF INSPECTIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt an Ordinance for the Establishment of a Board of Inspections.

# ORDINANCE for the ESTABLISHMENT of a BOARD OF INSPECTIONS

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus is authorized to create an Inspections Department pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-350 for the County's territorial jurisdiction covering the construction of buildings, installation of facilities such as plumbing systems, electrical systems, refrigeration systems and air conditioning

systems and the maintenance of buildings in a safe, suitable and healthful condition and other matters that may be specified by the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds it necessary and desirable to establish a County Board of Inspections; and

WHEREAS, a County Board of Inspections which shall supervise the Inspections Department and shall be responsible to the County Board of Commissioners shall serve the purposes for its establishment as stated herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, by the Board of Columbus County Commissioners, Columbus County, North Carolina, as follows:

- 1. The Board of Columbus County Commissioners, Columbus County, North Carolina, does hereby authorize and establish a Columbus County Board of Inspections which shall supervise the Columbus County Inspections Department.
- 2. The purpose of the Board is as follows:
  - a. To enforce all state building codes and guidelines and inspection requirements as the same may be enforced at that particular time.
  - b. To assist in the establishment and enforcement of inspection procedures and to supervise the County building inspectors.
  - c. To investigate and resolve problems or complaints which may arise from the County Inspections Program.
  - d. To document and adopt bylaws and to amend the same when needed for the governing of the Inspections Department. All bylaws and inspection procedures will not be effective until the same has been duly adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County.
- 3. Composition of the Board of Inspections shall consists of:
  - a. One (1) General ContractorOne (1) Heating/Air Conditioning Contractor

- One (1) Plumber
- One (1) Electrician
- One (1) Paving/Land Grading Contractor
- One (1) At-Large Citizen (Appointed by County Commissioners)
- One (1) Ex-Officio Member
- One (1) Utility Company Representative
- b. The initial appointment of each person shall be as follows:

General Contractor Two (2) years Electrician Two (2) years At-Large Citizen (1) Two (2) years County Commissioner Two (2) years

Plumber One (1) year

Heating/Air Conditioning -One (1) year

One (1) year Paving/Land Grading \_

Utility Company Rep. One (1) year

After the initial appointment, all appointments will be for two (2) year terms. Each appointee may succeed himself/herself one (1) time. appointee may be returned to the board after a term rotation off of the board has elapsed.

The Board of Inspections has the right to nominate individuals to fill any vacancy on its board, but the final and absolute decision concerning the appointment of said vacancy will be by the Board of Columbus County Commissioners.

The Board of Inspections shall meet at least one (1) c. time per month and the meeting shall be called and conducted by the Chairman of the Board with minutes recorded by the Board's secretary. The meetings shall take place at such time and location as the Chairman may deem appropriate within Columbus County, provided that all meetings shall comply with

the Open Meetings Law(s) of the North Carolina General Statutes.

This Ordinance duly adopted on this the 18th day of April, 1994.

# COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS /s/ SAMUEL G. KOONCE, Chairman

#### ATTESTED BY:

/s/ IDA SMITH, CLERK to the BOARD

# ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS - REQUEST FOR SUMMER HANDICAPPED PROGRAM TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET

Mavis Carroll, representing the Association for Retarded Citizens, requested the Board's continued support in the 1994-95 Budget appropriation for the ARC Summer Handicapped Program.

# REGISTER OF DEEDS - APPROVAL TO DESTROY RECORDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to permit the Register of Deeds to destroy records in accordance with N.C.G.S. 121 and 132 as follows:

#### UCC INDEXES:

A - Z	7-1-67 - 12-31-70
A - L	1-1-71 - 6-30-77
M - Z	1-1-71 - 6-30-77
A - G	7-1-77 - 6-30-82
H - R	7–1–77 – 6–30–8 <i>2</i>
S - Z	7–1 <i>–</i> 77 – 6–30–82
A - G	7-1-82 - 6 <b>-</b> 30-87
H - M	7-1-82 - 6-30-87
N - Z	7-1-82 - 6-30-87

#### TEMPORARY GRANTEE INDEXES:

$$A - Z$$
  $1-1-90 - 3-31-90$   
 $A - Z$   $1-1-88 - 12-31-89$ 

#### GRANTORS:

$$A - Z$$
  $1-1-88 - 12-31-88$   
 $A - Z$   $1-1-89 - 12-31-89$ 

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AGRICULTURAL LIENS & CHATTEL MORTGAGES:

53, 54, 55

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#### CHATTEL GRANTEE INDEXES:

#### GRANTOR INDEXES:

A - C 1-3-83 - 12-31-87 D - G 1-3-83 - 12-31-87 H - K 1-3-83 - 12-31-87 L - Q 1-3-83 - 12-31-87

#### MISCELLANEOUS CONTRACTS:

46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65

#### SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL LIENS:

80, 81, 82, 83

#### FEE BOOKS:

58, 59, 60, 61, 62

#### CHATTELS:

108, 109, 115, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 116, 117, 143, 120, 121, 122, 139, 140, 141, 142, 151, 149, 150, 152, 147, 153, 154, 155, 148, 156, 162, 166, 158, 159, 160, 161, 163, 164, 165, 167, 171, 168, 169, 170, 173, 175, 172, 174, 177, 176, 178, 181, 183, 180, 182, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 193, 190, 191, 192, 194

# <u>COLUMBUS COUNTY DISTRICTED WATER - APPENDIX C TABOR CITY OUT OF TOWN CUSTOMERS</u>

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to include Appendix C. to the Contract with the Town of Tabor City to allow Tabor City to service out of town customers on U.S. 701 North to South Columbus High School (SR 1306 from SR 1304 to SR 1300).

#### <u>HEALTH - APPROVAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST POSITION</u>

Marian Duncan, Health Director, requested the Board approve the employment of an additional Environmental Health Specialist (Sanitarian) due to the increase of new mandated services.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley and seconded by Commissioner Gray to include the additional Environmental Health position in the 1994-95 Budget with the position to include inspections of livestock operations.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Richardson to table the request to be considered in the preparation of the 1994-95 budget.

The motion died in lack of a second.

Voting on the original motion is as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Norris, Gray, Koonce, Williams,

Jacobs and Worley

NOES:

Commissioner Richardson

# <u> HEALTH - NEW NURSE POSITION APPROVED</u>

Marian Duncan, Health Director, advised the Board that additional state funds have been received in the Immunization Program and it is necessary to establish a nurse's position for implementation of the program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve a new position for a nurse to implement the Immunization Program with the stipulation that the position will be funded by state monies and if at anytime the state ceases to fund the program the position will terminate.

#### MEETING RECESSED

At 8:35 P.M., Chairman Koonce called for a five minute recess.

#### MEETING RESUMED

At 8:40 P.M., Chairman Koonce called the meeting back to order.

# SENIOR CENTER/AGING - DEPT. OF AGING APPOINTED AS FOCAL POINT

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to designate the Columbus County Department of Aging as the Focal Point on Aging.

# SOLID WASTE - LANDFILL TRANSITION PLAN APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve Columbus County Landfill Transition Plan Amendment to the March 8, 1994 proposal as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	FEE ESTIMATE
Summary Report	\$ 1,000
Compliance Report	<i>500</i>
Characterization Study	1,500
Methane Monitoring Program	1,750
Groundwater and Surface Water	
Monitoring Program	1,000
Operations Plan:	·
Field Surveys	2,500
Operations Plan Report	3,500
Engineering Design and Plans	14,000
*Revised Site Plan	
*New Phasing Plan	
*Final Closure Grading Plan	
*Revised Erosion Control Plan	
Closure Details and Specifications	2,500
Post Closure Requirements Report	500

#### TAX RELEASES & REFUNDS

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

Walter J. & Viola Cartret; H-9-137, doubled billed with deferred taxes through error. Amount \$767.08, valuation \$101,600.00, year 1993, and year 1993 for years 1990 through 1992, account #09-04100.

Terry Edison Godwin; mobile home double listed on regular listing, Terry Godwin #3-08630. Amount \$47.45, valuation \$5,730.00, year 1993 for 1992, account #01-32390.

Mrs. E. M. Gaskins; G-10-39, billed with deferred taxes through error. Amount \$54.36, valuation \$7,200.00, year 1993 and year 1993 for years 1990 through 1992, account #09-09760.

Richard E. Hemminger; mobile home double listed on regular list, Richard Earl Hemminger on account #15-18018. Amount \$74.39, valuation \$6,630.00, year 1993, account #15-18014.

Johnny Howell; FB-2-164, double listed to Claude & Joan Vereen, Map FB-2-165, #10-17600. Amount \$80.28, valuation \$10,250.00, years 1984 through 1993, account #10-09200.

Ronald & Thelma Johnson c/o Annie Johnson; F-4-62, billed incorrectly. Mrs. Johnson is due a refund due to S.C. Exemption – portion of taxes paid 3/15/94. Amount \$35.24, valuation \$4,895.00, year 1993, account #12-13579.

A. J. Krahnke, III; E. & R. adjustment of 4/4/94. K-6-18A reduced to valuation \$8,200.00. Amount \$8.64, valuation \$1,200.00, year 1993, account #01-50563.

The News Reporter; H-5A-68, 67, 79 & 80, rebilled to William D. Huggins on #13-18827. Amount \$66.36, valuation \$8,400.00, year 1993, account #13-29163.

Mitchell Pittman Heirs; property does not exist. (1984 through 1992 released 4/27/93) Amount \$2.88, valuation \$400.00, year 1993, account #13-32720.

Sam Saulter; G-4-17, double listed to Paul Page on #13-31723 as G-4-16. Amount \$195.94, valuation \$24,250.00, years 1984

through 1993, account #13-35240.

Jerry Randolph White; 1982 Toyota, double listed on #03-29150, Gracie Mae White. Amount \$11.69, valuation \$1,540.00, year 1991, account #02-04822.

Richard E. Hemminger; Mobile home double listed to Richard Earl Hemminger #15-18018, on regular listing. Amount \$30.00 user fee. Year 1993, account #15-18014.

Terry Edison Godwin; User fee already applied to mobile home listed to Terry Godwin on account #03-08630. Amount \$30.00 user fee. Year 1993 for 1992, account #01-32390.

Linda Faye Williams; Mobile home is located inside town limits of Chadbourn. Amount \$12.00 user fee. Year 1991, account #13-44058.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Curtis and Teresa P. Watts, Route 1, Box 390-C, Chadbourn, NC 28431, in the amount of \$678.27, for years 1989 through 1992. #I-8-53-A, house billed with wrong measurement. Ref. authorized under GS-105-381 / illegal tax. Amount \$678.27, valuation \$87,500.00, years 1989 through 1992, account #02-03003.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Annie Johnson, Route 3, Box 135, Chadbourn, NC 28431 (Ronald and Thelma Johnson) in the amount of \$30.34, for year 1993. Failed to get the S.C. Exemption on her lot and house (F-4-62A) that was combined with F-4-62 for 1993. Amount \$30.34, year 1993, account #12-13579.

### LIBRARY - LSCA GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST AND APPROVAL

Amanda Bible, Library Director, presented a request from the Columbus County Public Library Board of Trustees for approval to apply for a LSCA matching grant administered by the N.C. Division of State Library. The purpose of the grant would be to expand the adult section of the library by adding 2,600 square feet on the north side of the building and to renovate the deteriorating exterior panels of the existing building. The estimated cost is as follows:

2,600 square feet at \$60.00	\$156,000
Exterior renovations	35,000
Interior renovations	35,000
Architect fee, 8%	17,600
Miscellaneous contingency	<u>11,400</u>

TOTAL \$255,000

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to allow Amanda Bible, Library Director, to proceed with the application for the LSCA grant.

#### SURPLUS VEHICLES - APPROVAL FOR ADMINISTRATOR TO SELL

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to permit Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator, to sell county surplus vehicles.

### GOVERNING BODY - RESOLUTION TO CHANGE MEETING TIME AND DATES

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution:

# NOTICE AND RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### OF COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

The Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, unanimously approved on the 18th of April, 1994, to adopt the following Resolution.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, has presently scheduled meetings at 8:00 A.M. on the first Monday of each month and at 7:30 P.M. on the third Monday of each month; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina is desirous of changing the meeting time and date for the first Monday in May, 1994 and change the date for the third Monday in May, 1994 only.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-40 shall meet on the second Monday at 5:30 P.M. on May 9, 1994 and shall meet on the fourth Monday at 7:30 P.M. on May 23, 1994, in the Columbus County Commissioners' Chambers, 111 Washington Street, North Carolina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that a copy of this Resolution and Notice shall be placed on the Courthouse Bulletin Board, as well as mailed to all

of the news media who has requested notice.

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

#### ATTESTED BY:

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

# FIRE & RESCUE - DAYTIME RESCUE NEEDS

Commissioner Norris requested Chairman Koonce to explain the procedure for holding a public hearing to create a tax rate in the Volunteer Fire and Rescue Districts.

Commissioner Koonce stated that when a Fire and Rescue Department requests to have a public hearing for the purpose of creating a tax rate, the county has followed a longstanding policy of the will of the majority of the residents in attendance either for or against the tax rate.

There was a lengthy discussion concerning daytime ambulance services and what is needed in the County.

Dempsey Herring, Assistant to the Administrator/Special Projects, stated that we realize if 911 is going to be effective, we are going to have to employ some paid daytime ambulance response persons.

Chairman Koonce stated that this problem will be addressed in the preparation of the 1994-95 Operating Budget.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - DEMPSEY HERRING APPOINTED TO COORDINATE FAIR BLUFF RAILROAD SPUR

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to appoint Dempsey Herring to serve as liaison to the Town of Fair Bluff in the development and construction of the ALSCO Railroad Spur Project.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 P. M.

APPROVED:

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

#### **COLUMBUS COUNTY**

#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

#### **MINUTES**

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC, at 5:30 P.M., May 9, 1994, it being the second Monday, and in accordance with a Resolution adopted on April 18, 1994 to change the Board meeting date and time.

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

Dempsey B. Herring, Special Projects Coordinator

# <u>PUBLIC HEARING - COLUMBUS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HOUSING NEEDS APPLICATION</u>

Chairman Koonce called the public hearing to order for the purpose of public participation in the proposed filing of a Community Development and Housing needs of the incorporated areas of Columbus County under the 1004 Community Development Block Grant Program.

Chairman Koonce requested comments from anyone present in reference to the public hearing.

Rose Ann Mack, representing the Cape Fear Council of Governments, stated that the Community Development Block Grant application requires the appointment of a Committee and suggested that Judy Gore and Mary Thompson, employees from the Department of Social Services, be appointed to serve.

There were no other comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to close the public hearing.

### REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Chairman Koonce called the Board Meeting to order and Commissioner Williams gave the invocation.

# APPOINTMENTS - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to appoint Judy Gore and Mary Thompson to serve on the Community Development Block Grant Committee with the stipulation that a previous Housing Authority Committee is not in existence.

#### PROCLAMATION - SOCIAL SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to adopt the following Proclamation:

APPRECIATION WEEK FOR COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SERVICES EMPLOYEES

1994

BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

#### A PROCLAMATION

Across North Carolina, dedicated men and women work in local county departments of Social Services to provide services and support for thousands of our citizens.

These Social Services professionals accomplish many goals in their life's work: they provide financial and medical assistance for those unable to meet basic needs; protect children, older adults and the disabled; guide the needy toward self-maintenance through education and job placement; assure that children receive financial support from their parents who are legally responsible for that support; offer services to children, older adults and the disabled that enhance their quality of life; and provide administrative support for program operations.

Social Services professionals are dedicated to improving the quality of life for the citizens of this state. They also strive

to improve the delivery of services and to operate Social Services programs as efficiently and effectively as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, do hereby proclaim May 15 through May 21, 1994, as "Appreciation Week for County Department of Social Services Employees" in Columbus County, and urge our citizens to recognize these professionals and commend them for their efforts.

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ SAMUEL G. KOONCE, CHAIRMAN

#### ATTESTED BY:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

#### BUDGET AMENDMENTS - VARIOUS

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

#### SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

Increase 610 Other Costs	\$6,851
Decrease 610 Other Costs	(\$6,851)
FINANCE:	
Accept 10-348-2200 Smart Start Program	\$13,560
Expend as follows:	
10-612-0200 Salaries	\$ 7,040

10-612-0200	Salaries	\$ 7,040
10-612-0500	FICA	530
10-612-1100	Telephone	200
10-612-1101	Postage	120
10-612-1400	Travel	1,820
10-612-2100	Rent	2,850
10-612-3200	Office Supplies	1,000

#### ANIMAL CONTROL:

Accept	10-335-00	Insurance	Settlement	\$ 1,376
Expend	10-599-17	M/R Vehic	les	\$ 1.376

#### EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM:

72-301-00 Emergency Tele. 911 Surcharge \$41,432

#### Expend as follows:

<i>72–525–81</i>	Principal on Loan	<i>\$28,411</i>
<i>72-525-82</i>	Interest on Loan	13,021

#### APPOINTMENT - TOWN OF BRUNSWICK

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to appoint Caletta Faulk to serve on the Town of Brunswick's Planning Board,

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representing the extraterritorial district, for a one (1) year term, beginning May 17, 1994 and expiring May 16, 1995.

### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - HAZARDOUS COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM

A motion was made by commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to accept the Hazardous Communications Program for Columbus County as presented by the Emergency Management Coordinator, John Moore as follows:

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION PROGRAM

This program has been established to meet the requirements of the Hazard Communication Standard of the State of North Carolina. The purpose of this program and standard is to ensure that employees are made aware of the hazards of chemicals found in their work environment. This information is to be transmitted by means of a written hazard communication program, container labeling and other forms of warning, material safety data sheets, and employee education and training programs. A copy of this written program will be available in the Safety Director's office for review by any interested employee as well as in each Department Head's office.

A survey has been conducted to identify all known <u>hazardous</u> <u>chemicals</u> used by employees here at Columbus County. A list of these chemicals and the department in which they are used, as well as copies of the material safety data sheets for each, are attached to this report. The list of hazardous chemicals and material safety data sheets will also be available for employee review in the Maintenance Director's office.

#### MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS)

The Maintenance Director, will be responsible for obtaining and maintaining the data sheet system for the County. This individual will review incoming data sheets for new and significant health/safety information. He will see that any new information is passed on to the affected employees.

MSDS's will be available to all employees in their work area for review during each work shift. If MSDS's are not available or new chemicals in use do not have MSDS's, immediately contact the Maintenance Director.

### CONTAINER LABELING

The ordering/receiving clerk in each department will verify that all containers received for use are:

- A. Clearly labeled as to their contents;
- B. Note the appropriate hazard warning; and
- C. List the name and address of the manufacturer.
- D. Provide copy of MSDS to the Maintenance Director.

Also, the ordinary/receiving clerk in each department will ensure that all secondary containers are labeled with either an extra copy of the original manufacturer's label or a generic label noting chemical identity and appropriate hazard warnings.

#### EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND EDUCATION

The Safety Director, is responsible for the employee training program. He will ensure that all elements of the training program

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is carried out.

Prior to starting work, each new employee of Columbus County will attend a health and safety orientation.

#### HAZARDOUS NON-ROUTINE TASKS

Periodically, employers are required to perform hazardous non-routine tasks. Prior to starting work on such projects, each affected employee will be given information by their supervisor about hazardous chemicals to which they may be exposed during such activity.

#### INFORMING CONTRACTORS

It is the responsibility of the Maintenance Director, to provide contractors (with employees) the following information:

- A. Hazardous chemicals to which they may be exposed while on the job site.
- B. Precautions the employees may take to lessen the possibility of exposure by usage of appropriate procedures.

#### APPROVED:

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board /s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - LOCK OUT/TAG OUT PROGRAM

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to accept the following Lock Out/Tag Out Program as presented by John Moore, Emergency Management Coordinator.

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY

#### LOCKOUT PROCEDURE

#### LOCKOUT POLICY

All equipment shall be locked out to protect against accidental or inadvertent operation when such operation could cause injury to personnel. Do not attempt to operate any switch, valve, or other energy isolating device when it is locked out.

#### PURPOSE

This procedure is intended to prevent fatal or serious injuries through establishment of minimum requirements for lock out of energy isolating devices whenever maintenance or servicing is done on machines or equipment. It will be used to ensure that machinery or equipment is isolated from all potentially hazardous energy, and locked out before employees perform any servicing or maintenance activities where the unexpected energizing, start-up, or release of stored energy could cause injury.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

All employees will be instructed in the safety significance of the lockout procedure. All employees, upon observing a machine or piece of equipment which is locked out to perform servicing or maintenance will not attempt to start, energize, or use that machine or equipment.

Compliance with this policy is considered a condition of employment and failure to follow this procedure will result in discipline up to and including termination. Failure to follow this procedure is

considered a serious safety rule violation.

#### PREPARATION FOR LOCKOUT

Employees authorized to perform lockout shall be certain which switch(s), valve(s), or other energy isolating devices apply to the equipment to be locked out. Pay particular attention to stored potential energy such as power press rams which could fall. More than one energy source (electrical, mechanical, or others) may be involved.

# <u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - CDBG ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT - GEORGIA-PACIFIC</u>

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve the execution of an Administrative Contract for a Community Development Block Grant (Economic Development - Georgia Pacific) between Columbus County and Holland Consulting Planners. A copy of the properly executed contract is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board and the office of the Economic Development Commission.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - CDBG CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve the execution of an Engineering Services Contract for a CDBG Grant Number 94-E-0025 between Columbus County and Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates, P.A. A copy of the properly executed Contract is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board and the office of the Economic Development Commission.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - CDBG MASTER PROJECT RESOLUTIONS & PROJECT ORDINANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve the Master Project Resolutions as follows:

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES AND POLICIES

FOR THE FY93 CDBG-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Columbus County wishes to carry out its FY93
CDBG-ED program in accordance with established state and federal
administrative guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County hereby collectively adopts the following guidelines, plans and policies, and resolves that they be utilized during the administration for the county's FY93 CDBG-ED program:

- 1. Fair Housing Policy
- 2. Code of Conduct
- 3. Procurement Policy
- 4. Citizen Participation Plan
- 5. Residential Antidisplacement Plan
- 6. Section 519 Policy
- 7. Financial Management Resolution
- 8. Project Budget Ordinance

Adopted this 9th day of May, 1994.

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman

#### ATTEST:

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board

Note: The above listed guidelines, policies and plans have been properly executed and are on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board and the office of the Economic Development Commission.

# ORDINANCE - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to adopt the following project ordinance:

#### COLUMBUS COUNTY

### FY93 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

### PROJECT ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION I: The project authorized is the FY93 Community Development Block Grant economic development project described in the work statement contained in the grant agreement between Columbus County and the North Carolina Department of Commerce. This project is more familiarly known as the Georgia-Pacific Sewer Project.

SECTION II: The Columbus County staff is hereby directed to proceed with the grant project within the terms of the grant document(s), the rules and regulations of the Department of Commerce, and the budget contained herein.

SECTION III: The following revenues and resources are anticipated to be available to complete the project activities:

#### Georgia-Pacific Sewer Project

Account #	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
66-348-9400	CDBG Grant	\$590,000
66-397-0000	County General Funds	\$125,000
66-348-9500	FY94 Rural Center Supplemental Grant	<u>\$100,000</u>
	TOTAL PROJECT RESOURCES:	\$815,000

**SECTION IV:** The following amounts are appropriated for the project activities:

#### Georgia-Pacific Sewer Project

66-495-000 Project Budget \$815,000

SECTION V: The Grant Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Grant Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to provide the accounting to the North Carolina Department of Commerce required by the grant agreement(s) and federal and state regulations.

SECTION VI: Funds may be advanced from the General Funds for the purpose of making payments as due. Reimbursement requests should be made to the North Carolina Department of Commerce in an orderly and timely manner.

SECTION VII: The Grant Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly on the financial status of each project element in Section 4 and on the total grant revenues received or claimed.

SECTION VIII: The grant Finance Officer is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this grant project in every budget submission made to this council.

SECTION IX. Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be made available to the Grant Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

Adopted this the 9th day of May, 1994.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ SAMUEL G. KOONCE, CHAIRMAN

#### ATTESTED BY:

/s/ IDA L. SMITH, COUNTY CLERK
(SEAL)

#### PROJECTS (CURRENT) - UPDATE BY DEMPSEY HERRING

Dempsey Herring, Assistant to the Administrator/Special Projects, updated the Board on the following projects:

- 1. Inspections Board Waiting for response from tentative members.
- 2. Social Services Facility Method of funding has been approved by the Local Government Commission. We will use local contributions until January 1, 1995 and at that time we will have a guaranteed bank qualified loan. Also, the contracts for the structure and infrastructure have been negotiated and are ready to award to Fitts Goodwin and Frank Horne Construction.
- 3. Wetlands Scheduled to meet with the Corp of Engineers on July 20, 1994 for revalidation of wetland area on North Whiteville County owned property.
- 4. Water Shed/Supply Ordinance Ordinance is ready and waiting for some major clarification from the Department of Environmental Management. Have met with residents of the County that will be affected.
- 5. Water and Sewer District I Water and Sewer is now in the final stages to start construction and sign-up water extension participants.
- 6. E-911 The facility is complete and ready for inspections. Classes will begin at Southeastern Community College May 17, 1994.

#### SOIL CONSERVATION - TABLED COST/SHARE POSITION

Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator, requested approval to employee a part-time person (20 hours per week) to monitor and give guidance to the fast growing livestock business within the County with the State to provide fifty-percent of the funding through the Soil Conservation Service.

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

# BUILDINGS (SOCIAL SERVICES FACILITY) - CONSTRUCTION BID AWARDED TO FITTS GOODWIN; INFRASTRUCTURE AWARDED TO FRANK HORNE CONSTRUCTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Richardson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to award the Contract for construction with all amenities for a thirty-four thousand, two hundred, six (34,206) square feet building to Fitts & Goodwin, Incorporated, General Contractors, 104, Corporate Boulevard, Suite 410, Columbia, South Carolina, in the amount of ONE MILLION, NINE HUNDRED, EIGHTY NINE THOUSAND, TWENTY SEVEN DOLLARS (\$1,989,827.00). Price lump sum, for furnishing all labor,

materials, tools, equipment and all else required for performing the work under the confines of construction, complete in every respect, tested and accepted, all in accordance with the Contract Drawings, all codes, fees, licenses, specifications and requirements set down by Columbus County, Columbus County Designate or Engineer. Cost for general construction, electrical, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing, paving, finishing of parking lots with asphalt and lighting are included in the Contract.

Also, to award the bid for the infrastructure to Frank Horne Construction Company, Fair Bluff, NC, in the amount of TWO HUNDRED, SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND, SEVENTY TWO DOLLARS (\$264,072.00).

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

NOES: Commissioner Gray

The motion passed on 6 - 1 vote.

NOTE: Properly executed Contracts are on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

# SCHOOLS (COUNTY) - NAKINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FIELD OFFERED TO COUNTY FOR PURCHASE

Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator, presented a letter from the Columbus County Board of Education stating that they have been contacted by the Nakina Dixie Youth Baseball Organization in reference to the athletic field at the facility formerly known as Nakina High School. The Board of Education would like for the County Commissioners to determine whether the County is interested in purchasing the athletic field.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to allow Commissioner Lynwood Norris and Dempsey Herring to contact the Columbus County Board of Education concerning the purchase of the athletic field and advise the Board of Commissioners of their recommendation.

#### TAX RELEASES

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

WILLIAM THOMAS BROWN; Vehicles (1974 Chevrolet and 1965 Chevrolet) not in use. Not licensed since 1985. Amount \$27.25, valuation \$2,880.00, year 1986, account #17-04420.

ZETTIE BROWN; Vehicle (1980 Chrysler) listed in Bladen County where he lives. Amount \$231.47, valuation \$3,540.00, years 1988 and 1989, account #17-04406.

BAKER B. & MARTHA M. BINFORD; W-5-42, house destroyed by fire in the 1970's. Lot double listed to Betty Merle Clayter #15-09280. Amount \$1,319,80, valuation \$173,900.00, years 1984 through 1993, account #15-02280.

CAUDELL ELLISON; Vehicle listed in Bladen County where he lives. Amount \$105.83, valuation \$780.00, year 1989, account #17-10249.

GROVER HARRELSON, JR.; Vehicle (1983 Pontiac) double listed on regular list with his mobile home on account #15-17543.

Amount \$139.05, valuation \$5,220.00, year 1989, account #17-14681.

HUBERT HILBOURN; Licensed vehicle (1971 Ford TK) double listed on account #1994-01-01334. Amount \$2.16, valuation \$300.00, year 1993, account #10-08560.

JESSIE MAE MITCHELL; Vehicle disposed of. Mrs. Mitchell in rest home prior to 1989. Amount \$81.82 LL, valuation \$2,040.00, year 1989, account #17-26412.

MOBILE HOME SALES CORPORATION; Double listed to Junior Roosevelt Lawrence #13-23051. Amount \$187.92, valuation \$23,000.00, years 1985 through 1993, account #13-27941.

OTIS LEE MURCHISON; Vehicle listed in Bladen County where he resides. Amount \$109.88, valuation \$1,320.00, year 1989, account #17-27211.

TOMMY & EMMA GREY TAYLOR; Leasehold (old dwelling) located on L-15-30, demolished about ten (10) years ago. Amount \$4.32, valuation \$600.00, year 1993, account #07-17885.

MARK ANTHONY WILLIAMS; Did now own vehicle in 1989.

Amount \$127.01, valuation \$3,610.00, year 1989, account #17-40803.

BAKER B. & MARTHA BINFORD; W-5-42, house destroyed by fire in the 1970's. Lot belongs to Betty Merle Clayter #15-09280.

Amount \$120.00 user fee. Years 1990 through 1993, account #15-

02280.

THURGOOD & NANCY WRIGHT; M-8-30L, mobile home and lot totally exempted due to senior citizen's exemption. Amount \$30.00 user fee. Year 1993, account #03-29810.

ORDERED: That a tax refund be issued to Hardia & Mary Pigford, Route 1, Box 705, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450, in the amount of \$46.45, for year 1993. #P-1-1A, double billed on Receipt #84228 and #3608. Amount \$46.45, valuation \$6,325.00, year 1993, account #08-14967.

ORDERED: That a tax refund be issued to Charles M.

Powell, Post Office Box 176, Cerro Gordo, NC 28430 (James Monroe

Powell Estate), in the amount of \$18.00, for year 1993. #CG-1
98, one (1) house located in Town of Cerro Gordo, unoccupied.

Amount \$18.00 user fee, year 1993, account #16-12321.

ORDERED: That a refund check be issued to Beamon Buffkin, 220 Green Sea Road, Tabor City, NC 28463, in the amount of \$15.50, for year 1993. Overpayment on interest for deferred taxes (Map D-10-8). Amount \$15.50 Int., year 1993, account #16-01840.

# MEETING RECESSED TO A PUBLIC HEARING AT NORTH WHITEVILLE VFD

At 6:35 P.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to recess the meeting to the North Whiteville Volunteer Fire Department to resume with a scheduled public hearing at 7:30 P.M.

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#### PUBLIC HEARING - NORTH WHITEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DISTRICT

The meeting resumed at the North Whiteville Volunteer Fire Department and Commissioner Koonce called the public hearing to order at 7:30 P.M., with everyone present except Commissioner Mike Richardson.

There were approximately 180 residents of the North Whiteville Fire Service District present.

Chairman Koonce stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to consider a tax rate for the established North

Whiteville Volunteer Fire Department Fire Service District which has a zero tax rate. Once the rate is established, property within the established Fire Service District will be subject to taxation as necessary to finance Fire Protection Service by the North Whiteville Volunteer Fire Department.

Commissioner Worley commented that the North Whiteville Fire District consists of representation from three (3) Board members: Commissioners Williams, Jacobs and Worley. Commissioner Worley requested that each person speak with respect to each other as all who are present are neighbors.

The Chairman requested that each person wishing to speak to be recognized by raising their hand and stating their name and to limit their comments to two minutes.

Chairman Koonce then turned the meeting over to Kimbell Brock, the North Whiteville Fire Department Board Chairman.

Mr. Brock welcomed everyone present and stated that the North Whiteville Fire Department is requesting a five-cents (\$0.05) tax levy on \$100.00 property valuation. A five-cents (\$0.05) tax levy will generate approximately \$34,216.00 dollars.

The following persons made comments in reference to the proposed five-cents (\$0.05) tax levy for the North Whiteville Fire District.

Steve Ford Henry Fisher Gene Wilson Chrissie White Willis Horton John Russ Carol Brock Gerald Gore Maxine Jordan Kimbell Brock Ben Ward Phil McPherson Judy Ann Smith Evelyn Inman Loraine Jackson Mike Bartley

There being no further comments, the Chairman requested a vote from the residents in attendance by marking ballots yes or no to the proposed tax rate for the North Whiteville Fire Service District.

FOR: 79

AGAINST: 91

#### PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to close the public hearing.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 P.M.

#### PROCLAMATION - LETTER CARRIERS FOOD DRIVE DAY

Wanda Mercer, representing the Chadbourn Post Office, contacted the Administration Office on May 10, 1994, requesting that the Board proclaim Saturday, May 14, 1994 as "Letter Carriers Food Drive Day."

Chairman Koonce was contacted and he executed the Proclamation and requested that the contents be included in the Minutes of the May 9, 1994 Board Meeting as follows:

### **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the National Association of Letter Carriers, ALF-CIO, the U.S. Postal Service and local members of the National Rural Letter Carriers Association and Contract Carriers have joined together in a nationwide food drive effort:

To provide food for distribution to families and individuals who are homeless, unemployed or otherwise find themselves in a state of hunger; and

Through the National Chain of Second Harvest Food Banks and the Food Bank of Coastal Carolina, the Second Harvest Food Bank providing food for our local Social Service agencies that distribute food to the hungry; and

This Collection is to take place on Saturday, May 14, 1994.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Saturday, May 14, 1994, be declared "Letter Carriers Food Drive Day" in Columbus County; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that all citizens of Columbus County are encouraged to support this food drive by placing their donations of nonperishable food in plastic bags on or by their mailboxes or to deliver them to the counter at the nearest post office during

normal business hours; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County commends the postal organizations, supporting organizations and the many individuals and off-duty postal workers who are volunteering to assist in this food drive, for their unselfish contributions of personal time and vehicles for transportation of collected food and other personal services; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Food Bank of Coastal Carolina, be commended for its contribution to the alleviation of hunger in our county, in that its volunteers and supporting organizations will assemble, sort, pack and store the collected food for distribution to the hungry through those Columbus County agencies which provide feeding services for the hungry; and

Finally, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County expresses its appreciation, in advance, to all Columbus County citizens who will donate food to help sustain our friends and neighbors who will benefit from their generous contributions.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SAMUEL G. KOONCE, CHAIRMAN

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ ROY L. LOWE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Ida L./Smith, Clerk to Board

APPROVED:

Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman