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., July 9, 1997, for the purpose of a solid waste collection work session.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

C.W. Williams, Chairman

Lynwood Norris, Vice Chairman

Spruell Randolph Britt

David L. Dutton, Jr.

A. Dial Gray, III

Sammie Jacobs

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney (Arrived at 7:55 P.M.)

Dempsey B. Herring Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

Chairman C.W. Williams called the meeting to order.

SOLID WASTE WORK SESSION

Dempsey B. Herring, Administrator, informed the Board that the County has received two (2) proposals for solid waste collection. American Refuse Systems-Waste Management's proposal included staffed convenience centers and house-to-house pickup. The Rural Sanitation proposal is for staffed convenience centers only.

Mr. Herring provided the Board with a summary of the two (2) proposals. After a lengthy discussion, the Board concurred to meet with representatives of the two (2) competing companies, Wednesday, July 16, 1997, at 6:00 P.M.

RECYCLING - CLOSE AS OF JULY 31, 1997

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, reported on the Recycling Center stating that the total sale of recyclables for Fiscal Year 1996-97 is \$1,189.76.

The Board concurred to direct Mr. Herring to write a letter to Donnie and Linda Beck, property owners of the building, advising that the Recycling Center will close on July 31, 1997.

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, stated that there has been a request for construction of a multi-housing project within the zoning limits of Southeastern Community College which will require a public hearing. Mr. Herring asked the Board of Commissioners if they want to remain the Planning/Zoning Board or if the Housing Committee could handle the request.

The Board of Commissioners concurred to remain as the Planning/Zoning Board.

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT II - PUBLIC HEARING TO BE SCHEDULED

The Board concurred to direct Dempsey Herring, County Administrator, to advise Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates, Architects for the Columbus County Water & Sewer District II, to schedule public hearings in the District II area as soon as possible.

ORDINANCE (LIVESTOCK) - OBSERVE REGULATIONS

The Board discussed the Livestock Ordinance that was adopted by the Columbus County Board of Health which allowed existing livestock operations and/or operations that have completed applications with permits to be grandfathered in for installation and be completed by July 1, 1997. Beginning July 1, 1997, all applications for extensive livestock operations will be subject to be installed and operated by the Guidelines of the Columbus County Livestock Ordinance.

Commissioner Wilson reported that in the North Whiteville area, one (1) livestock operation is still digging lagoons. Commissioner Norris reported that there is two

(2) in his area that are in the lagoon digging stage.

The Board concurred to direct Dempsey B. Herring, Administrator, to contact the Sanitation Department and explore why these operations have not been completed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:30 P.M. Chairman Williams declared the meeting adjourned.