

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 8:00 A. M., October 6, 1997, for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting, it being the first Monday.

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

Dempsey B. Herring
County Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order and Ed Worley, Aging Director, gave the invocation.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Gray, and passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the September 15, 1997 Board Meeting and the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Public Hearing Minutes for September 30, 1997, approved as recorded.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

Tax Releases:

Release user fee in the name of Neely & Rita L. Bailey. House is vacant.

Amount \$109.81, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-00483.

Release user fee in the name of Edward G & Sue Baldwin. House is vacant.

Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-00803.

Release user fee in the name of Hilda Smith Batten. Mobile home vacant.

Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 05-00221.

Release user fee in the name of Richard E. Benton. House vacant. Amount

\$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-02180.

Release user fee in the name of Richard Earl Benton. House listed on account

16-12617. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 16-00480.

Release user fee in the name of William Thomas Benton. House vacant.

Amount \$101.69, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-00460.

Release user fee in the name of J.C. Blackwell, Heirs. House is vacant.

Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 16-01060.

Release user fee in the name of Ocie B. Britt. Parcel is vacant. Amount

\$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-08860.

Release user fee in the name of Alfred Louis & Lillie B. Brown. House is

vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-04620.

Release user fee in the name of Bobby Gerald & Edith Brown. House is

vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-03240.

Release the user fee in the name of Henry Rossie Bullock. House is vacant

Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-04697.

Release the user fee in the name of Flossie Burt. House is vacant. Amount

\$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-04760.

Release two user fees in the name of Edgar D. Caines, Jr. Both buildings are

used for storage. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-06343.

Release the user fee in the name of Neil Edison Clewis. House is vacant.

Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-03520.

Release the user fee in the name of Opal Cliff. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-08302.

Release the user fee in the name of R.C. Coleman. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-03870.

Release user fee in the name of Doretha A. Cox. The old store is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-05080.

Release the user fee in the name of Annie Cribb. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-06400.

Release the user fee in the name of Kenneth Ray & Evelyn L. Dameron. Mobile home listed as real and personal property. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 06-06920.

Release the user fee in the name of Joseph Reid & Marjorie E. Dowless. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 04-03523.

Release the user fee in the name of Martha Nobles & Grady Duncan. Mobile home vacant. Amount \$110.93, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-10820.

Release the user fee in the name of Sarah L. Duncan. The house has been destroyed. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-05400.

Release the user fee in the name of A.J. & Thelma G. Eason. The old store is vacant. Amount \$112.78, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-12700.

Release the user fee in the name of Leslie & Marilyn W. Edwards. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-06835.

Release one user fee in the name of Stephen E. & Phyllis Edwards. There is only one dwelling on property. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-07697.

Release one user fee in the name of Jerry Anthony & Karen L. Ellis. Mobile home listed as two single wides instead of a double wide. Amount \$60.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 10-04105.

Release the user fee in the name of Vivian Y. Ellis. House is located inside the city limits. Amount \$43.04, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-21320.

Release the user fee in the name of William Gilbert & Estalene Faulk. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-04680.

Release user fee in the name of Martha Bowen Fisher. Mobile home has been sold. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-26601.

Release user fee in the name of Charles R. & Amanda H.G. Flynn. Mobile home sold. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-13980.

Release user fee in the name of V.G. Flynn Heirs. House is vacant. Amount \$101.15, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 11-09120.

Release the user fee in the name of Columbus & Donald Fowler Jr. House is vacant. Amount \$96.07, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 06-10803.

Release the user fee in the name of Gleon & Lillie Ruth Fowler, Heirs. House is located in the city limits. Amount \$40.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 06-11260.

Release the user fee in the name of Betty L. George. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-31074.

Release the user fee in the name of Sonya Gilyard. Mobile home listed as real and personal property. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 11-10823.

Release one user fee in the name of Dalton M. Gordon Sr. One house is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-15460.

Release the user fee in the name of Gore Trailer MGS (Inc). Customer uses commercial hauler. Amount \$141.94, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-09900.

Release the user fee in the name of Daniel J. & Janice W. Gore. Customer uses commercial hauler. Amount \$113.49, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-08940.

Release user fee in the name of Daniel J. & Janice W. Gore. Customer uses a commercial hauler. Amount \$117.95, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-08940.

Release the user fee in the name of Mabel C. Gore. House vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 06-14920.

Release the user fee in the name of Mable Cox Gore. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-06843.

Release both user fees in the name of Mable C. Gore. All buildings are vacant. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-06820.

Release one user fee in the name of Terry Allen Green. There is only one house on property. Amount \$105.22, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-10160.

Release both user fees in the name of Beulah Irene Hargrave. All buildings are vacant. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-17441.

Release the user fee in the name of Dyrell Hill. House is vacant. Amount \$102.96, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-13680.

Release both user fees in the name of Edgar Devon Hinson. House and camper vacant. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-13980.

Release the user fee in the name of Coot & Lillie Ivey. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-12980.

Release the user fee in the name of Sybil M. Jolly. House is vacant. Amount \$63.66, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-21883.

Release the user fee in the name of Eva N. Jones. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-13723.

Release the user fee in the name of James D. & Barbara Jordan. The beauty/barber shop used for storage. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 08-10437.

Release the user fee in the name of Stephen Kash, M.D. ETAL. Customer uses a commercial hauler. Amount \$114.23, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-49385.

Release all user fees in the name of Larry L.O. Kono & Wife. All buildings are vacant. Amount \$300.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-12640.

Release the user fee in the name of Ruth Owens Lane. Mobile home used for storage. Amount \$109.83, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-50940.

Release user fee in the name of Fred E. Lay Jr. (ETAL). House is vacant. Amount \$104.38, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-10144.

Release the user fee in the name of Sue Taylor Lay. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.45, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-10139.

Release the user fee in the name of Mae Bell Lewis. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-09260.

Release the user fee in the name of Danny & J. David L. Long. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-16784.

Release the user fee in the name of Capp McColskey (Heirs). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-16880.

Release the user fee in the name of Charles R. McCormick. Building used for storage. Amount \$50.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-25280.

Release user fee in the name of Ina Pearl McMillian. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-17923.

Release the user fee in the name of Keenon Meares (Heirs). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 10-11900.

Release the user fee in the name of Leila Bordeaux Mill (Heirs). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-26960.

Release the user fee in the name of Alton & Emma Mitchell. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-10393.

Release the user fee in the name of Bartie M. & Mary Y. Moore. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-10620.

Release the user fee in the name of Roland & Wanda Moore. There is only one mobile home on property. Amount \$115.61, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-11019.

Release both user fees in the name of Dorothy B. Nance. House and mobile home vacant. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-19623.

Release both user fees in the name of David Devone Nealey. Mobile home and camper vacant. Amount \$104.90, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-21420.

Release user fee in the name of Larry Nobles. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$125.54, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-30270.

Release user fee in the name of Weldon Rossie & Sandra N. Nobles. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-30860.

Release user fee in the name of Rosa W. Tedder Norris (Heirs). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-31340.

Release user fee in the name of David Letlo Parker. House is vacant. Amount \$108.95, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-29000.

Release user fee in the name of William Harlee Patrick. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 04-13000.

Release user fee in the name of Thelma W. Peterson. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-29680.

Release two user fees in the name of William Kenneth & Sara Pierce. Mobile homes are used for storage. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-17537.

Release user fee in the name of Tanya Dianne T. Price. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-73137.

Release user fee in the name of Joseph & Etta Elizabeth Proffitt. Mobile home sold. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-18206.

Release the user fee in the name of Hazel Robbins Purvis. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-30921.

Release the user fee in the name of Dana Christine Rabon. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 08-15308.

Release the user fee in the name of E.L. Rabon. House is vacant. Amount \$104.87, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-33840.

Release the user fee in the name of Melvin Thomas Ray & (Etal). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-13523.

Release the user fee in the name of Dinah Reaves. House is vacant. Amount \$100.50, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 04-13420.

Release the user fee in the name of William Palmas Sr. & Rosa B. Reaves. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-31160.

Release the user fee in the name of Billie O. & Gabriele T. Rogers. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-32140.

Release the user fee in the name of Douglas & Jerome Rooks. Amount \$107.70, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-20087.

Release the user fee in the name of David & Clinton Wayne Sellers. House is vacant. Amount \$60.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-80200.

Release both user fees in the name of Sam & Shelby Sellers. Property is vacant. Amount \$201.59, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-81095.

Release user fee in the name of Stephen Sessoms. Camper is vacant. Amount \$101.28, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 08-50054.

Release the user fee in the name of James Richard & Mary Jane Sessions. House is vacant. Amount \$104.21, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-13367.

Release the user fee in the name of Rufus Shockley. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-24900.

Release both user fees in the name of Harry & Mantha D. Simmons. Both houses are vacant. Amount \$202.40, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-14480.

Release the user fee in the name of Joseph Louis Simmons. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 04-14200.

Release the user fee in the name of Austin R. & Aline Smith (Special). House is vacant. Amount \$109.75, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 07-14940.

Release user fee in the name of George R. & Donna J. Smith. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 06-33387.

Release the user fee in the name of W. Elwood & Lennie M. Smith. House is vacant. Amount \$117.67, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 11-25006.

Release the user fee in the name of Willard Elwood & Linnie Smith. House is vacant. Amount \$100.95, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-22320.

Release user fee in the name of Elton H. Soles. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-87140.

Release the user fee in the name of William & Vera Spain. There is only one dwelling on property. Amount \$61.76, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 06-34875.

Release the user fee in the name of Ernest D. Spaulding. House is vacant.

Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-15140.

Release the user fee in the name of Eula Spaulding. House is vacant. Amount \$102.42, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 14-15223.

Release the user fee in the name of Lawrence & Janie Stephens (Heirs). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-24050.

Release the user fee in the name of James Freddie & Wanda Steward. The property is vacant. Amount \$100.79, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-26987.

Release both user fees in the name of Loula Stewart (Etal). Both houses are vacant. Amount \$200.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-90203.

Release the user fee in the name of Donnie June & Carrie Lou Stone. Property is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 08-18200.

Release user fee in the name of J. Henry & Martha Strickland. House is vacant. Amount \$106.25, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 09-29780.

Release the user fee in the name of Phillip R. & Jeanette Strickland. House is vacant. Amount \$107.57, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 16-15088.

Release the user fee in the name of Jerry J. Thompson. Property is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-35211.

Release the user fee in the name of Randy Dean Thompson. House is vacant. Amount \$100.14, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-11727.

Release user fee in the name of Barbara Todd. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 13-40339.

Release the user fee in the name of Mabel B. Thompson. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-96540.

Release user fee in the name of Aubery June Waddell. House is vacant. Amount \$63.06, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 10-17744.

Release user fee in the name of William T. & Pansy Waddell. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 10-18120.

Release user fee in the name of Joyce Delores Ward. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 02-01820.

Release user fee in the name of Charles Edward Warren. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 03-28240.

Release user fee in the name of Earl Ray & Sandra S. Watson. There is only one house on property. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 15-37570.

Release the user fee in the name of Elizabeth Watts. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 16-16066.

Release the user fee in the name of Ervin & Rossie Ward, Heirs. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 10-18220.

Release one of the user fees in the name of Woodrow & Annie Pearl Ward. There is only one building on property. Amount \$124.57, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 02-02460.

Release the user fee in the name of J.W. Wheeler Jr. & Gladys. House is vacant. Amount \$67.70, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 10-18433.

Release the user fee in the name of Hank Williamson. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$105.76, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-30645.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Bobby Allen, Jr. Home listed in the name of Kimberly Strickland. Amount \$185.84, Valuation \$11,370, Year 1997, Account 09-00043.

Release a portion of value in the name of Ula Fowler Allen. Access code corrected. Amount \$9.82, Valuation \$1300, Year 1997, Account 09-00060.

Release portion of value in the name of G.K. Andrews, Jr. Acres corrected by deed for 1997. Amount \$66.03, Valuation \$9500, Year 1997, Account 07-00060.

Release \$20,000 in value in the name of Willard & Clara Barefoot Heirs. Failed to receive the senior citizens exemption. Amount \$155.00, Valuation \$20,000, Year 1997, Account 11-01140.

Release the value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. The old house has been gone for several years. Amount \$8.60, Valuation \$1000, Year 1987, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. The house has been

gone for several years. Amount \$9.10, Valuation \$1000, Year 1988, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for several years. Amount \$5.44, Valuation \$800, Year 1989, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for several years. Amount \$5.44, Valuation \$800, Year 1990, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for several years. Amount \$5.52, Valuation \$800, Year 1991, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for years. Amount \$5.52, Valuation \$800, Year 1992, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for years. Amount \$5.76, Valuation \$800, Year 1993, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for years. Amount \$6.08, Valuation \$800, Year 1994, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for several years. Amount \$6.24, Valuation \$800, Year 1995, Account 07-00221.

Release value of house in the name of Charles Bellamy. House has been gone for years. Amount \$6.24, Valuation \$800, Year 1996, Account 07-00221.

Release mobile home in the name of Anna Lois S. Blackwell (Etal). Home double listed as real and personal. Amount \$211.91, Valuation \$18,770, Year 1997, Account 08-01323.

Release value of house and lot in the name of Wilbur Elmer & Ada Jane Blackwell. Failed to receive the senior citizens exemption. Amount \$247.70, Valuation \$6000, Year 1997, Account 16-01260.

Release portion of mobile home value in the name of Irvin C. & Shirley M. Brown. Mobile home listed with incorrect year. Amount \$138.92, Valuation \$5600, Year 1997, Account 15-05420.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Thomas W. Brown Jr. Mobile home sold in 1996. Amount \$107.87, Valuation \$1000, Year 1997, Account 11-04084.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Miriam Louise Buffkin. Billed

with a mobile home she no longer owns. Amount \$447.08, Valuation \$48,500, Year 1997, Account 06-03400.

Release the mobile home in the name of Randall Buffkin. Home was repossessed. Amount \$199.39, Valuation \$13,000, Year 1997, Account 09-01952.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Donald W. & Pamela Burchette. Mobile home value included in real value. Amount \$116.91, Valuation \$2,210, Year 1997, Account 13-05843.

Release value of property in the name of James Felton Campbell. Property double listed to Judy Campbell. Amount \$229.94, Valuation \$18,701, Year 1997, Account 14-03052.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Judy Campbell. Value of mobile home is incorrect. Amount \$13.21, Valuation \$1900.00, Year 1997, Account 14-03107.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Winston Ronald Capps. Mobile home double listed in the name of Juan Ivey. Amount \$459.53, Valuation \$45,800, Year 1997, Account 03-02624.

Release total value of property in the name of Community Apartments Corporation. Property is tax exempt. Amount \$223.97, Valuation \$32,200, Year 1997, Account 13-08641.

Release value of mobile home in the name of James Riley Connor. Home double listed in real and personal property. Amount \$125.92, Valuation \$3,260, Year 1997, Account 16-03302.

Release value of one home in the name of Mary C. Dew and give senior citizens exemption. Home was transferred to Carrie Eloise Coleman. Amount \$212.58, Valuation \$1,520, Year 1997, Account 15-11980.

Release value of grain bin in the name of Dixie Farm Supply, Inc. Property is double listed to Joe Bullard. Amount \$15.43, Valuation \$1,500, Year 1997, Account 12-06540.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Jerry D. Eason. House burned in 1996. Amount \$233.33, Valuation \$13,400, Year 1997, Account 15-12728.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Jerry Ezzell. Mobile home double listed to Melvin Vannoy. Amount \$354.20, Valuation \$32,800, Year 1997, Account 14-05043.

Release a portion of the value of property in the name of Josephus & Vicki L. Gore. Failed to receive disabled veteran housing exemption. Amount \$271.60, Valuation \$38,000, Year 1997, Account 01-33371.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Ellen Wright Harper. Home sold to James Purdie in Bladen County. Amount \$354.99, Valuation \$22,300, Year 1997, Account 07-08060.

Release value of greenhouse in the name of W. Ronald Hayes & S. Jack Gore. Property double listed to Edith Gore. Amount \$218.20, Valuation \$28,900, Year 1997, Account 09-13269.

Release a portion of value in the name of Roberta Hemingway (Etal). Grade corrected on double wide. Amount \$23.63, Valuation \$3,400, Year 1997, Account 06-34873.

Release property value in the name of Jimmy R. & Norma Hewett. Deferred taxes double billed on same account number. Amount \$144.45, Valuation \$17,059, Year 1997, Account 09-13420.

Release value of property in the name of Jimmy R. & Norma Hewett. Deferred taxes double billed on same account number. Amount \$156.49, Valuation \$17,059, Year 1997, Account 09-13420.

Release value in the name of Jimmy R. & Norma Hewett. Deferred taxes double billed on same account number. Amount \$164.70, Valuation \$16,622, Year 1997, Account 09-13420.

Release total value in the name of Clara & Theodore Hickman (Heirs). Failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$18.07, Valuation \$6,300, Year 1997, Account 06-18700.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Gary Dale Hilburn. Home double listed to Alice Faye Hilburn. Amount \$107.65, Valuation \$1,000, Year 1997,

Account 09-13477.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Betty Ann Hill. Home double listed to Russell Rockwell. Amount \$127.32, Valuation \$3,495, Year 1997, Account 11-13223.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Harold Randy, Sr., & Sharon Hinson. Home is double listed to Clayton D. Brown. Amount \$705.33, Valuation \$81,500, Year 1997, Account 09-14163.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Chris & Jamesie Gentry. Mobile home double listed in real estate in same name. Amount \$177.20, Valuation \$10,100, Year 1997, Account 12-08950.

Release value of mobile home in the name of James David & Judy Ann Horne. House double listed to Chris Gentry. Amount \$321.69, Valuation \$28,300, Year 1997, Account 12-12400.

Release value of mobile home in the name of James E. Inman, Sr. Home burned prior to 1-1-97. Amount \$67.95, Valuation \$1,000, Year 1997, Account 16-08960.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Orbie Eugene & Doris Inman. Failed to correct acres of 1997. Amount \$197.34, Valuation \$27,600, Year 1997, Account 01-46103.

Release value of airplane in the name of J & J Flying Service. Airplane sold in 1996. Amount \$301.24, Valuation \$38,300, Year 1997, Account 01-46473.

Release portion of value in the name of Steve Allen & Carol Ann Jacobs. Year model of mobile home incorrect. Amount \$92.44, Valuation \$13,300, Year 1997, Account 03-11860.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Henry Norman & Betty Ruth James. Failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$54.06, Valuation \$6,800, Year 1997, Account 06-20539.

Release a portion of the value in the name of James Ronald Jenkins. Mobile home double listed as real and personal property. Amount \$170.54, Valuation \$12,640, Year 1997, Account 16-09181.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Jesse & Pauline Jenkins (Heirs). Home double listed to Sarah Jenkins Battle. Amount \$199.92, Valuation \$17,600, Year 1997, Account 16-09220.

Release value of mobile home attachments in the name of Roy R. & Allison Jernigan. Property sold to Kevin Graves Amount \$18.88, Valuation \$2,500, Year 1997, Account 09-15707.

Release special district in the name of Richard B. & Anna Johnson. Property is not located in north Whiteville. Amount \$50.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 01-48048.

Release a portion of the value in the name of W.C. & Katie B. Jordan. Mobile home was destroyed by tornado in 1996. Amount \$351.20, Valuation \$32,000, Year 1997, Account 01-49220.

Release total value of property in the name of Lake Waccamaw Depot Museum. Property is tax exempt. Amount \$387.81, Valuation \$55,800, Year 1997, Account 08-10685.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Curtis Lewis. Double wide double listed to James Scott. Amount \$289.35, Valuation \$33,000, Year 1997, Account 06-22816.

Release double wide in the name of James Marvin Long. Home double listed to Donald Parnell. Amount \$383.51, Valuation \$40,793, Year 1997, Account 07-10585.

Release value of mobile home listed in the name of Ronnie D. & Sharon Lowery. Mobile home listed in real and personal property. Amount \$62.52, Valuation \$7,150, Year 1997, Account 13-24545.

Release home in the name of Dunk McGirt (Heirs). Home moved off property prior to 1-1-97. Amount \$182.32, Valuation \$7,348, Year 1997, Account 12-17420.

Release portion of value in the name of Grover McPherson (Heirs). Mobile home was listed twice. Amount \$336.46, Valuation \$31,320, Year 1997, Account 09-18620.

Release a portion of the value in the name of John Phillip & Carolyn McPherson. Mobile home double listed to Hugo Rivas. Amount \$321.01, Valuation

\$27,800, Year 1997, Account 14-10143.

Release a portion of the value in the name of David Allen Martin. Failed to receive disabled veteran special housing exemption. Amount \$264.10, Valuation \$38,000, Year 1997, Account 08-11975.

Release the value of property in the name of RD & Rachel L. Martin. Property double listed to PC - 1 Development Co. Amount \$17.20, Valuation \$2,000, Year 1987, Account 01-59720.

Release value of property in the name of RD & Rachel L. Martin. Property double listed to PC - 1 Development Co. Amount \$18.20, Valuation \$2,000, Year 1988, Account 01-59720.

Release value of property in the name of RD & Rachel L. Martin. Property double listed to PC - 1 Development Co. Amount \$66.75, Valuation \$8,900, Year 1989, Account 01-59720.

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Release value of property in the name of RD & Rachel L. Martin. Property double listed to PC - 1 Development Co. Amount \$1.78, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1990, Account 01-59720.

Release value of property in the name of RD & Rachel L. Martin. Property double listed in the name of PC - 1 Development Co. Amount \$69.42, Valuation \$8,900, Year 1991, Account 01-59720.

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Release value of property in the name of RD & Rachel L. Martin. Property double listed to PC - 1 Development Co. Amount \$72.09, Valuation \$8,900, Year 1993, Account 01-59720.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Elizabeth Kelly Maulsby.

Property double listed to Robert Mintz. Amount \$260.55, Valuation \$23,100, Year 1997, Account 15-26302.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Thomas Moultries (Heirs). Property belongs to Randolph Moultrie. Amount \$248.75, Valuation \$25,000, Year 1997, Account 04-12200.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Ronald & Blonnie Nance. Home double listed in real and personal property. Amount \$148.42, Valuation \$5,830, Year 1997, Account 09-21223.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Irene Nobles (Life Estate). There is no well and septic tank on property. Amount \$12.51, Valuation \$1,800, Year 1997, Account 13-30900.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Bernice S. Norris. Double wide double listed to Leverie Bass. Amount \$303.85, Valuation \$27,000, Year 1997, Account 06-28340.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Hollon M. Norris. Customer was billed for full value of land. Should have been billed on land use value. Amount \$34.73, Valuation \$4,600, Year 1997, Account 06-27820.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Hollon M. Norris. Customer was billed on full value of property. Should have been billed on land use value instead of full value. Amount \$323.14, Valuation \$42,800, Year 1997, Account 06-27820.

Release total value of property in the name of John C. & Bernice Norris. Property double listed as real and personal. Amount \$143.12, Valuation \$5,640, Year 1997, Account 06-28024.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Katie Odom. Double listed as real and personal. Amount \$107.15, Valuation \$1,000, Year 1997, Account 13-31455.

Release a portion of the value in the name of W. Jeffery Perritte. Mobile home double listed as real and personal. Amount \$127.11, Valuation \$14,880, Year 1997, Account 09-23725.

Release a portion of the value of property in the name of Linda W. & John Paul

Pridgen. Double listed to Rosa L. McCorick. Amount \$274.11, Valuation \$21,900, Year 1997, Account 10-13885.

Release the balance of the value in the name of Mary Turner Ratliff. Failed to receive full senior citizens exemption. Amount \$105.00, Valuation \$N/A, Year 1997, Account 12-23140.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Jackie & Isaiah Samuel. There is no well and septic hook up on property. Amount \$12.51, Valuation \$1,800, Year 1997, Account 12-23694.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Isaiah Samuels. Double listed to Jackie & Isaiah Samuels. Amount \$346.73, Valuation \$35,500, Year 1997, Account 12-23730.

Release the value of three (3) mobile home hook ups in the name of Robert Joseph Simmons. Hook ups are not located on this tract of land. Amount \$55.39, Valuation \$5,400, Year 1997, Account 09-26761.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Roy Harold & Wanda Gayle Smith. Double wide billed as two (2) single wides. Amount \$214.30, Valuation \$2,000, Year 1997, Account 01-86390.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Samuel James & Amanda Smith. Customer failed to receive senior citizens exemption too. Home listed to Richard Smith. Amount \$334.17, Valuation \$30,344, Year 1997, Account 11-25280.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Billie Lee & Ellen Doreen Snowten. Home double listed to Frank C. Addison. Amount \$177.22, Valuation \$10,800, Year 1997, Account 01-86968.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Leona G. Stephens. Billed on full value of property instead of land use value. Amount \$343.83, Valuation \$43,800, Year 1997, Account 01-89430.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Virgie Long Norris Stocks. Home listed as real and personal property. Amount \$115.57, Valuation \$1,310, Year 1997, Account 03-24505.

Release value of mobile home in the name of David Franklin Strole. Home was sold in 1996. Amount \$125.25, Valuation \$3,000, Year 1997, Account 13-38803.

Release a portion of the value in the name of James Garland & Margie M. Tyler. Mobile home billed on this account in error. Amount \$324.39, Valuation \$32,000, Year 1997, Account 09-31060.

Release a portion of value in the name of Roger Dean Tyson. Customer was billed on incorrect value. Amount \$43.09, Valuation \$6,200, Year 1997, Account 01-97780.

Release value of mobile home in the name of David Michael & Gladys Watts. Mobile home double listed on another parcel of land. Amount \$517.38, Valuation \$40,430, Year 1997, Account 02-03043.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Paul & Nancy Weatherford. Value of mobile home corrected. Amount \$91.74, Valuation \$13,200, Year 1997, Account 10-18415.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Devon Williams. Home double listed to Ronald D. Williamson. Amount \$249.43, Valuation \$21,500, Year 1997, Account 13-43841.

Release value of mobile home in the name of Ronald D. Williams, Jr. Home is double listed as real property. Amount \$120.85, Valuation \$3,000, Year 1997, Account 09-33677.

Release mobile home value in the name of Eddie Williams. Home listed to Denise Williams. Amount \$162.61, Valuation \$8,190, Year 1997, Account 06-43094.

Release mobile home in the name of Marion & Sylvia Williams. Customer failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$106.95, Valuation \$1,000, Year 1997, Account 06-43329.

Release total value of property in the name of Wilson & Sylvia P. Williams. Failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$37.00, Valuation \$4,900, Year 1997, Account 09-33764.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Vivian B. Williamson. Building double listed to Wesley Powell. Amount \$46.11, Valuation \$5,800, Year 1997, Account 16-

17940.

Budget Amendments:

Increase Revenue from Business Audits	\$ 1,795.00
Expend 10-450-4500 Contract Service	\$ 1,795.00
Increase 10-348-0201 Grant Funds	\$ 500.00
Expend 10-605-5701 Small Grain Association Programs	\$ 500.00
Increase 10-348-0300 100% Day Care Allocation	\$169,452.00
Expend 10-611-0201 100% Day Care	\$169,452.00

AGING - OUTREACH AND VARIOUS AGING PROGRAMS FUNDING

APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to accept funding from the Cape Fear Council of Governments as follows:

<u>Programs</u>	<u>COG Appropriation</u>	<u>County Match</u>
Senior Outreach	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 694.45
Various Aging Programs	\$57,535.00	\$6,393.00

ALCOHOL & DRUG COALITION - PRESENTATION AND APPOINTMENT TO THE GOVERNOR'S ONE-ON-ONE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Evelyn Troy and Ernie Gaskins, representing the Alcohol & Drug Coalition, updated the Board on the following items:

1. ADPC Projects and funding;
2. Columbus County Governor's One-on-One Volunteer Program; and
3. Request for a Commissioner to serve on the Advisory Board for the Governor's One-on-One Volunteer Program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Gray to take the request under advisement for a Commissioner to serve on the Advisory Board for the Governor's One-on-One Volunteer Program until the next Board Meeting to allow a Board Member to volunteer for the appointment.

Commissioner David L. Dutton, Jr., volunteered to serve on the Advisory

Board for the Governor's One-on-One Volunteer Program.

Commissioner Wilson withdrew the motion and Commissioner Gray withdrew the second to take the request under advisement.

PROCLAMATION - DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to adopt the following Proclamation.

DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

1997

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, we must continue to strive toward full participation for people with disabilities in all aspects of our society; and

WHEREAS, while progress has been made since the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990, two-thirds of working-age disabled citizens are still unemployed and others are underemployed. Efforts must continue to remove attitudinal and physical barriers that obstruct them; and

WHEREAS, support of current activities and efforts, as well as, other creative and innovative programs and policies are needed to hire qualified citizens who wish to lead active and productive lives and help us compete in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, businesses in North Carolina realize that for every dollar any employer spends for a disability-related job accommodation, they save thirty-four and 00/100 (\$34.00) dollars; and

WHEREAS, persons with disabilities are members of a society in which choice is reflective of equality and acceptance, and every citizen must be allowed and encouraged to contribute his or her talents and disabilities for us to compete and flourish in the changing world economy; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Disability Employment Awareness Month is "Ability: The Bridge to the Future";

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Board of Commissioners of the County of

Columbus do hereby proclaim October, 1997, as "DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH" in Columbus County and encourage all public officials, leaders in business, industry, labor and all private citizens to recognize the activities and programs that promote the employment of qualified persons with disabilities.

ADOPTED, this the 6th day of October, 1997.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ C.W. WILLIAMS, Chairman

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - APPROVAL OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR PROSPECTIVE INDUSTRY

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the use of the Industrial Development Incentive Grant Program (as adopted by the Board of Commissioners July 7, 1997) for a prospective industry interested in locating in the Southeast Regional Park. The Industrial Development Incentive Grant Program Contract is subject to the Board's approval.

FORESTRY SERVICES - ANNUAL REPORT & REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING

Melvin Brown, Columbus County Forest Ranger, and Walter Lewis, Columbus County Assistant Forest Ranger, gave an overview of the Forestry Services accomplishments over the past year in services provided to the citizens of Columbus County.

Robert H. Houseman, District Forster, requested the Board to consider increasing the 1997-98 Forestry Budget in the amount of \$2,712 in the operating budget and \$9,000 for the acquisition of one fire control vehicle.

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, addressed the Board regarding the request for additional funding and advised the Board that the Forestry Budget was not reduced anymore than any other budget request for 1997-98. Mr. Herring's recommendation was delay a decision until May, 1998, and consider funding the operating expenses in the

amount of \$2,712. At that time, we can evaluate the Non-Departmental Contingency Fund, as this is where the funding will be allocated. The request for the fire control vehicle will need to be included in the 1998-99 Forestry Budget request.

The Board concurred with Mr. Herring's recommendation.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - RESOLUTION TO ADD THE TABOR CITY INDUSTRIAL PARK ACCESS ROAD TO STATE SYSTEM

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

North Carolina

County of Columbus

Road Description: Tabor Industrial Park Access Road from NC 904 to dead end - 0.45 mile

WHEREAS, the attached petition has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus requesting that the above described road, the location of which has been indicated in red on the attached map, be added to the Secondary Road System; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that the above described road should be added to the Secondary Road System, if the road meets minimum standards and criteria established by the Division of Highways of the Department of Transportation for the addition of roads to the System.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus that the Division of Highways is hereby requested to review the above described road, and to take over the road for maintenance if it meets established standards and criteria.

CERTIFICATE

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus at a meeting on the 6th day of October, 1997.

/s/ Ida L. Smith
Clerk, Board of Commissioners
County of Columbus

SOCIAL SERVICES - WORK FIRST PROGRAM SELECTION FOR COLUMBUS

COUNTY

Larry Moore, Social Services Director, advised the Board that they have two options (Standard and Electing) for selecting the North Carolina Work First Program for Columbus County and stated that the Social Services Board of Directors' recommendation is Standard. If Standard is selected it will be in place for a period of two (2) years.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to select the Standard Work First Program for Columbus County.

Mr. Moore also reported to the Board that a Committee for Development of the Work First Services Plan shall be appointed (Senate Bill 352) by the County Commissioners to identify and respond to the needs of the population to be served and to review and assist in developing the County Plan. The Committee Membership shall include, representatives of the Social Services Board, Mental Health Board, Public Health Board, Board of County Commissioners, County and City Schools' Board and community-based organizations. In addition to the aforementioned required appointments, the Department of Social Services requests the appointment of Steve Yost, Economic Development Director, Beverlee Nance, Southeastern Community College Dean of Continuing Education, and a representative from the Employment Security Commission.

Upon completion of the plan, it must be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for final approval.

The Board concurred to make the appointments to the Committee for the Development of the Work First Services Plan at the October 20, 1997 Board Meeting.

LIBRARY - ACCEPT GRANT FOR INDEXING NEWSPAPERS

Deborah Marrs, Library Director, requested the Board to approve a grant that has been awarded to the Library for indexing of newspapers from 1924-1981 in the amount of \$10,487.00. The local match is \$2,139.00 and is included in the adopted 1997-98 Library Budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to approve the Grant Award for indexing of newspapers to the

Library and approve the following budget amendment.

Accept 10-348-3400 State Grant for News Reporter Index \$10,488.00

Expend as follows:

10-631-0200 Salaries & Wages \$ 7,018.00

10-631-7400 Capital Outlay \$ 3,470.00

SCHOOLS (CITY & COUNTY) - LEASE AGREEMENT FOR RECOUPING SALES

TAX ON BUILDING PROJECTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to enter into Cooperative Lease Agreements with the City and County Schools for the recoupment of sales tax on capital construction projects made possible by the Public School Building Bond Act of 1996 and in accordance with House Bill 99, Section 1.

ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, updated the Board on the following items:

1. The Ford Foundation Strategic Planning Meeting that was held September 13-17, 1997 at Glacier Falls, Montana was well received and the possibility of Columbus County receiving \$150,000 from the Ford Foundation over a two (2) year period is very favorable toward the Strategic Planning Project.
2. Keith Ashley, a N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission Biologist, inspected the clearing of debris from Hurricane Fran in the Waccamaw River and found no evidence that the job is harmful to the river, vegetation or wildlife.
3. The 10th Annual Columbus County Agriculture Fair begins today, October 6, 1997, with the Parade scheduled for 3:30 P.M.
4. The Airport Construction is near completion and the Airport Authority needs to be appointed. The Airport Authority is a seven (7) member board with each Commissioner appointing one member.

The Board concurred to be prepared to appoint their representative to serve on the Airport Authority at the October 20, 1997 Board Meeting.

MAINTENANCE PROGRAM - NATURAL NAVIGABLE WATERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to support a maintenance program for clearing and snagging Columbus County Natural Navigable waters to be included in the preparation of the 1998-99 Columbus County Operating Budget.

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, advised the Board that \$5,000.00 has been included in the 1997-98 Recreation Budget for the maintenance of Columbus County Natural Navigable Waters.

PROCLAMATION - GRAHAM FAMILY

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to adopt the following Proclamation.

**PROCLAMATION of APPRECIATION to the
GRAHAM FAMILY of the LAKE WACCAMAW AREA
and COLUMBUS COUNTY**

The Board of County Commissioners, at their regularly scheduled meeting on October 6, 1997, unanimously adopted the following Proclamation:

BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT WHEREAS, the Graham Family of Columbus County has made life-long strides to improve the quality of life in their community and county; and

WHEREAS, the Graham Family holds the family unit to the highest esteem for moral standards; and

WHEREAS, members of the Graham Family have served on numerous boards, agencies, committees in their church, government and community functions; and

WHEREAS, the Graham Family name is recognized County and State-wide for leadership in positive endeavors for the general welfare of all people; and

WHEREAS, the **Graham Family** has given unselfishly of their time and energies to help those in need or those with unfortunate situations in a most untiring and caring way.

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, that they do hereby recognize the true loyal and faithful service to their community and county and congratulate them on this special occasion.

ADOPTED unanimously on this the 6th day of October, 1997.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ C. W. Williams, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT III

/s/ SAMMIE JACOBS

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board

COMMISSIONERS:

**C. E. Wilson
Dial Gray, III
David L. Dutton Jr.
Lynwood Norris
Spruell R. Britt**

James E. Hill, Jr., ATTORNEY

Dempsey B. Herring, ADMINISTRATOR

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT II - CERTIFICATION OF MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, was held in the Columbus County Administration Building, located at 111 Washington Street, in Whiteville, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting, at 8:00 A.M., on October 6, 1997.

Present: Chairman C.W. Williams presiding, and Commissioners Spruell R. Britt, David L. Dutton, Jr., A. Dial Gray, III, Sammie Jacobs, Lynwood Norris and C.E. Wilson.

Absent: None.

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Upon motion of Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Norris and unanimously carried, the meeting was recessed until 6:00 P.M. on October 9, 1997, in the Columbus County Administration Building, located at 111 Washington Street, in Whiteville, NC.

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I, Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of said Board at a regular meeting held on October 6, 1997 as relates in any way to the recessing of said meeting and that said proceedings are recorded in Minute Book Number 24 of the Minutes of said Board beginning on page 237 and ending on page 238.

I HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that a schedule of regular meetings of said Board, stating that regular meetings of said Board are held in the Columbus County Administration Building, located at 111 Washington Street, in Whiteville, North Carolina, on the first and third Mondays of each month at 8:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M., respectively, has been on file in my office as of a date not less than seven (7) days before the date of said meeting in accordance with G.S. 143-318.12.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of said County, this 6th day of October 1997.

/s/ Ida L. Smith
Clerk to the Board

MEETING RECESSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to recess the meeting at 9:20 A.M. to continue at 6:00 P.M., October 9, 1997.

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The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC at 6:00 P.M., October 9, 1997, to continue a meeting that was recessed on October 6, 1997.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

C.W. Williams, Chairman

A. Dial Gray, III

Sammie Jacobs

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring, Administrator

ABSENT:

Spruell R. Britt, Commissioner

David Dutton, Jr., Commissioner

Lynwood Norris, Commissioner

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

An adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, was held in the Columbus County Administration Building, located at 111 Washington Street, in Whiteville, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting, at 6:00 P.M., on October 9, 1997.

Present: Chairman C. W. Williams, presiding, and Commissioners A. Dial Gray III, Sammie Jacobs and C.E. Wilson.

Absent: Spruell R. Britt, David L. Dutton, Jr. and Lynwood Norris.

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Commissioner C.E. Wilson introduced the following order authorizing bonds which was read:

ORDER AUTHORIZING \$6,500,000 WATER BONDS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County,

North Carolina, was duly created for the purpose of providing water service to the residents of the territory included within said District and vested with the powers set forth in said Article 6; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina has found that there is a demonstrable need for providing water service in said District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Article 6, said Board is the Governing Body of said District; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina:

1. That, pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina and The Local Government Bond Act, as amended, the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, is hereby authorized to contract a debt, in addition to any and all other debt which said District may now or hereafter have power or authority to contract, and in evidence thereof to issue Water Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$6,500,000 for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for constructing a water system of said District, within and without the corporate limits of said District, including the construction and installation of wells, water treatment facilities, elevated water storage tanks, water mains and lines and appurtenant facilities, and the acquisition of necessary land, rights-of way, and equipment.
2. That taxes shall be levied in said District in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on said bonds.
3. That a sworn statement of the debt of said District has been filed with the Clerk to said Board and is open to public inspection.
4. That this Order shall take effect when approved by the voters of said District at a referendum as provided in the Local Government Bond Act, as amended.

The Board of Commissioners thereupon designated the Finance Officer of the County as the officer whose duty it shall be to make and file with the Clerk to the Board of

Commissioners the Sworn Statement of Debt of the District which is required by The Local Government Bond Act, as amended, to be filed after the bond order has been introduced and before the public hearing thereon.

Thereupon, the Finance Officer filed with the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, in the presence of the Board of Commissioners, the Sworn Statement of Debt as so required.

Thereupon the order entitled: "ORDER AUTHORIZING \$6,500,000 WATER BONDS" was passed on first reading.

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Commissioners fixed 7:30 P.M. on October 20, 1997, in the Columbus County Administration Building, located at 111 Washington Street, in Whiteville, North Carolina, as the hour, day and place for the public hearing upon the foregoing order and directed the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners to publish said order, together with the appended statement as required by The Local Government Bond Act, as amended, once in The News Reporter not later than the sixth day before said date.

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I, Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of said Board at an adjourned regular meeting held on October 9, 1997 as relates in any way to the introduction and passage on first reading of an order authorizing bonds of said District and the calling of a public hearing upon such order and that said proceedings are recorded in Minute Book Number 24 of the Minutes of said Board, beginning on page²³⁹ and ending on page²⁴¹.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of said County, this 9th day of October, 1997

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

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**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT II,
IN COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**SWORN STATEMENT OF DEBT MADE PURSUANT
TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOND AT, AS AMENDED**

I, Gayle Godwin, Finance Officer of the County of Columbus, North Carolina, having been designated by the Board of Commissioners for said County, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, to make and file with the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners a statement of the debt of said District pursuant to the Local Government Bond Act, as amended, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the following is a true statement as shown by the books in my office, not taking into consideration any debt incurred or to be incurred in anticipation of the collection of taxes or other revenues or in anticipation of the sale of bonds other than funding and refunding bonds:

(a) GROSS DEBT

a(1)	Outstanding debt evidenced by bonds.....	\$ -0-
a(2)	Bonds authorized by an order introduced on October 9, 1997, but not yet adopted: Water Bonds.....	\$ 6,500,000
a(3)	Unissued bonds authorized by adopted orders.....	-0-
a(4)	Outstanding debt, not evidenced by bonds.....	-0-
(a)	GROSS DEBT, being the sum of a(1), a(2), a (3) and a(4).....	\$ 6,500,000

(b) DEDUCTIONS

b(1)	Funding and refunding bonds authorized by orders introduced but not yet adopted.....	\$ -0-
b(2)	Funding and refund bonds authorized but not yet issued.....	\$ -0-
b(3)	The amount of money held in sinking funds or otherwise for the payment of any part of the principal of gross debt other than debt incurred for water purposes or sanitary sewer purposes (to the extent that the bonds are deductible under G.S. 159-55(b)).....	\$ -0-
b(4)	Bonded debt included in gross debt and incurred, or to be incurred, for water purposes.....	\$ 6,500,000

b(5) Bonded debt included in gross debt and incurred, or to be incurred, for sanitary sewer system purposes to the extent that said debt is made deductible by G.S. 159-55(b)..... -0-

b(6) Uncollected special assessments heretofore levied local improvements for which any part of the gross debt (that is not otherwise deducted) was or is to be incurred to the extent that such assessments will be applied, when collected, to the payment of any part of the gross debt..... \$ _____

b(7) The amount, as estimated by the Finance Officer, of special assessments to be levied for local improvements for which any part of the gross debt (that is not otherwise deducted) was or is to be incurred, to the extent that the special assessments, when collected, will be applied to the payment of any part of the gross debt..... \$ _____

(b) DEDUCTIONS, being the sum of b(1), b(2), b(3), b(4), b(5), b(6) and b(7)..... \$ _____

(c) NET DEBT

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(d) APPRAISED VALUE

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(e) Percentage which the NET DEBT (c) bears to the APPRAISED VALUE (d)..... \$ _____

/s/ Gayle B. Godwin, Finance Officer

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of October 1997.

/s/ June B. Hughes, Notary Public

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

My commission expires: 9-25-98

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I, Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the Governing Body of the Columbus County Water and

Sewer District II, in Columbus County, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of a statement which was filed with me at a meeting of said Board held on October 9, 1997, after the introduction and before the public hearing on an order authorizing bonds of said District, and that said statement is open to public inspection in my office.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of said County, this 9th day of October 1997.

/s/ Ida L. Smith
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

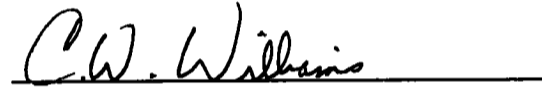
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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 P.M.

APPROVED:


Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board


C.W. Williams, Chairman