

**COLUMBUS COUNTY**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES**

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met at the Prosper Baptist Church at 7:00 P.M., January 28, 1999, for the purpose of holding a public hearing to receive comments from the citizens concerning the expansion of the Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Service District to include the Prosper, Livingston, Malpasstown and Byrdville Communities and a portion of the Freeman Community.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

C.E. Wilson, Chairman

Sammie Jacobs, Vice Chairman

Spruell R. Britt

Amon E. McKenzie

Lynwood Norris

James E. Hill, Jr.  
County Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring  
Administrator

**ABSENT:**

David L. Dutton, Jr., Commissioner

A. Dial Gray, III, Commissioner

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

There were approximately sixty-five (65) residents present.

Chairman Wilson called the public hearing to order and Commissioner McKenzie gave the invocation.

Chairman Wilson stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to consider citizens' comments in regards to the expansion of the Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Service Fire District to include the Prosper, Livingston, Malpasstown and Byrdville Communities and a

portion of the Freeman Community.

The meeting was turned over to Steve Camelin, Fire Chief, who gave a report on the construction of a substation that is necessary in order for the Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Service District to expand the boundaries. Also, a proposed budget was presented to the public. The present tax rate for the existing district is \$0.12 per \$100.00 valuation which is needed for the expansion.

The Chairman stated that each person wishing to speak to be recognized by raising their hand and stating their name.

The following persons made comments.

Orvis McDuffie

John Lennon

Terry Curl

Jim Griffin

Donna Hammond

Larry Bister

There being no further comments, the Chairman requested a vote from the persons in favor of and/or opposed to the proposed extended fire service district and the rate of \$0.12 per \$100.00 property valuation.

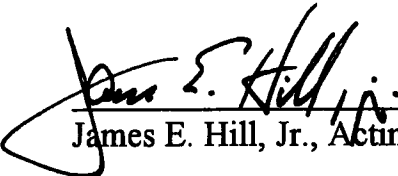
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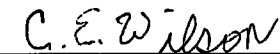
AGAINST: 01

Chairman Wilson stated that the Board will take the request for an extended Fire Service District for the Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Department into consideration.

Chairman Wilson declared the public hearing closed at 8:03 P.M.

APPROVED:

  
James E. Hill, Jr., Acting Clerk

  
C.E. Wilson, Chairman