

**COLUMBUS COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES**

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, NC at 8:00 A.M., Monday, December 13, 1999, for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting, it being the second Monday as changed by Resolution November 15, 1999, for the month of December only.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

C.E. Wilson, Chairman

Sammie Jacobs, Vice Chairman

Spruell Randolph Britt

David L. Dutton, Jr.

A. Dial Gray, III

Amon E. McKenzie

Lynwood Norris

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring  
County Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**PUBLIC HEARING - COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT III**

At 8:00 A.M., Chairman C.E. Wilson called the Public Hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to determine whether or not to establish a Water and Sewer District III in the northern part of Whiteville Township and Western Prong Township.

The Chairman requested anyone in attendance who wished to speak to be recognized by stating their name.

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, explained the procedure for establishing Water & Sewer District III.

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED**

At 8:05 A.M., Chairman Wilson closed the Public Hearing.

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING COMMENCED**

Chairman C.E. Wilson called the regular scheduled meeting to order and Commissioner Britt gave the invocation.

**APPOINTMENTS - CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN**

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, presided as Acting Chairman to transact the appointments of Chairman and Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

Acting Chairman Hill briefed the Board on the procedure for selecting officers and then opened the floor for nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Commissioner McKenzie nominated Commissioner Lynwood Norris for Chairman and Commissioner Spruell Randolph Britt for Vice Chairman.

There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Commissioner Dutton and seconded by Commissioner Gray to close nominations.

The vote was unanimous to appoint Commissioner Norris to serve as Chairman and Commissioner Britt to serve as Vice Chairman.

Acting Chairman Hill announced that Commissioner Norris was appointed as Chairman and Commissioner Britt as Vice Chairman by acclamation.

Chairman Norris and Vice Chairman Britt are authorized to sign all instruments on behalf of Columbus County. A Resolution is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

**GOVERNING BODY - NEWLY ELECTED CHAIRMAN PRESIDES**

Immediately, after reorganization of the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Norris assumed the duties as Chairman and the following business was transacted.

**AWARD - PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION PRESENT TO PAST CHAIRMAN C.E. WILSON**

Chairman Norris presented past Chairman C.E. Wilson the following "Plaque of Appreciation."

**PRESENTED TO**  
**C.E. "GENE" WILSON**

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**THIS THE 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1999**

**IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION OF YOUR DEVOTED LEADERSHIP**  
**AS CHAIRMAN TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**12-7-98 - 12-6-99**

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**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 15, 1999, Board Meeting, as recorded.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to approve the following consent agenda items.

**Tax Refund:**

Request a refund in the name of Edgar D. Caines (Jr.), 9375 Peacock Rd., Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Paid two (2) user fees by mistake. He uses a commercial hauler for trash. Amount \$200.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #13-06343.

**Releases:**

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Thomas Graham. Failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$111.79, Value \$1,420, Year 1999, Account #08-00709.

Release the user fee in the name of John & Barbara Bailey. Building not in use. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #03-00476.

Release the user fee in the name of Arthur Thomas Batten. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #03-00680.

Release the user fee in the name of Marva C. Beard (ETAL) House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #11-02237.

Release the user fee in the name of Barbara D. Bowles. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #03-01813.

Release the user fee in the name of Christina Boyd. She has never had a trash cart. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #15-05956.

Release one of the user fees in the name of Keyo Brown (Heirs). One house is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #12-03700.

Release the user fee in the name of Edgar D. Caines (Jr.). Uses a commercial hauler. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #13-06341.

Release two user fees in the name of Edgar D. Caines (Jr.). Uses a commercial hauler. Amount \$200.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #13-06343.

Release the user fee in the name of Terry Wayne Fowler. Mobile home unlivable. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #09-04457.

Release the user fee in the name of Elbert Frink. This property is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #13-14020.

Release the user fee in the name of Walter Thurman Jones & Sterling McKoy. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #14-08237.

Release one user fee in the name of Marvin L. Larrimore. Only has one trash cart. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #01-51353.

Release one of the user fees in the name of Bennie R. & Bonnie Nealey. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #09-21325.

Release one of the user fees in the name of Plummer B. & Lula S. Peacock. Old store vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #14-11760.

Release the user fee in the name of Roger Ray. Mobile home vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #06-30841.

Release the user fee in the name of Henry Richardson (Jr.). House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #11-22721.

Release the user fee in the name of Pearlina Frink Rozier. Mobile home vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #13-14367.

Release the user fee in the name of Seabreeze and Associates, Inc. Fee double

listed in the name of Three - 301 Auto Sales. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #08-16323.

Release one of the user fees in the name of Troy Daniel & Eloise Sellers. Billed with eight (8) user fees. They only have seven (7) mobile homes. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #15-33020.

Release one (1) of the user fees in the name of Kenneth M. Shaw, Jr. One mobile home used for storage. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #01-81602.

Release the user fee in the name of Julie C. Strickland. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #09-03601.

Release a portion of the user fee in the name of Lennue Strickland. Trash cart was delivered in November, 1999. Amount \$90.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #16-14820.

Release the user fee in the name of Jack Guy & Jo Ann Vereen. There is no trash cart here. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #11-28220.

Release the user fee in the name of Henry M. Waddell. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #15-36846.

Release the user fee in the name of Ernest Roland & Eunice Worrell. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1998, Account #11-30600.

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Release the value of a double wide in the name of Christine B. & Norman Baldwin Barden. Home double listed in the name of Ester Davis & Cleveland Barden. Amount \$492.74, Value \$26,140, Year 1999, Account #14-01493.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Melvin & Linda Barnhill. Used boat valued too high. Amount \$40.52, Value \$5,300, Year 1999, Account #08-00760.

Release the value of a boat in the name of David James Blackman. This is a one man boat without a motor valued too high. Amount \$20.19, Value \$2,640, Year 1999, Account #01-05839.

Release a portion of the boat value in the name of Peter P. Byers. Boat was billed with incorrect value. Amount \$38.05, Value \$4,785, Year 1999, Account #15-01208.

Release a portion of the boat in the name of Craig Canady. Boat billed with incorrect value. Amount \$18.19, Value \$2,380, Year 1999, Account #01-01527.

Release the property value in the name of Carlee Carter. Property located in Bladen County. Amount \$16.20, Value \$1,800, Year 1996, Account #15-09045.

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Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Garrett Reed Carter. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$239.71, Value \$19,200, Year 1996, Account #15-09036.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Garrett Reed Carter. Home double listed in Bladen County. Amount \$244.87, Value \$18,950, Year 1997, Account #15-09036.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Garrett Reed Carter. Home double listed in Bladen County. Amount \$231.45, Value \$17,200, Year 1998, Account #15-09036.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Garrett Reed Carter. Home double listed in Bladen County. Amount \$220.95, Value \$15,820, Year 1999, Account #15-09036.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Chuck Wagon Grill. Home double listed in the name of Doretha Walker. Amount \$29.40, Value \$4,230, Year 1999, Account #03-61096.

Release the value of a double wide in the name of Rosie Belle Clarida. Home double listed in the name of Reather C. Reasoner. Amount \$289.74, Value \$27,300, Year 1999, Account #07-02004.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Clarence Cook. Home double listed in the name of J.C. Cook. Amount \$114.53, Value \$2,090, Year 1998, Account #01-16988.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Carol H. Brock & Barbara H. Dickens. Boat double listed in the name of Carol Hooks & William K. Brock. Amount \$36.97, Value \$4,700, Year 1999, Account #01-20729.

Release the property value in the name of Mollie R. Evans. Property double listed in the name of William Rone & William Larry Ray. Amount \$35.25, Value \$4,700, Year 1991, Account #01-25200.

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Release the value of one boat in the name of Charles B. & Sarah G. Fields. Boat has been sold. Amount \$101.30, Value \$13,250, Year 1999, Account #08-50011.

Release the value of a double wide in the name of Garrett & Angela Freeman. Home double listed in the name of Adam Rooks. Amount \$220.80, Value \$16,000, Year 1998, Account #11-09527.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Daniel Jackson & Janice W. Gore. The boat was sold prior to 1-1-99. Amount \$52.29, Value \$7,100, Year 1999, Account #11-11260.

Release the value of a double wide in the name of Milton & Ester Gore. Home double listed in the name of Malton & Ester Gore. Amount \$333.78, Value \$35,100, Year 1995, Account #01-33543.

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Release a portion of the property value in the name of P.O. & Mortie S. Gore (Heirs). Property double listed in the name of Margaree Williamson. Amount \$16.68, Value \$2,400, Year 1998, Account #07-07040.

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(Heirs). Property double listed in the name of Margaree Williamson. Amount \$16.68, Value \$2,400, Year 1999, Account #07-07040.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Dennis & Carolyn Grainger. Boats have been junked. Amount \$55.62, Value \$6,430, Year 1999, Account #13-16070.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Bruce S. Hart, Jr. Boat in Pamlico County. Amount \$23.07, Value \$2,741, Year 1999, Account #13-18120.

Release the value of a boat in the name of George Robert Howard, Jr. Boat located at Wrightville Beach. Amount \$66.52, Value \$8,700, Year 1999, Account #01-05634.

Release the value of two (2) boats in the name of Needom G. Hughs, III. Boats were sold prior to 1-1-99. Amount \$151.09, Value \$19,763, Year 1999, Account #07-03408.

Release a portion of the value of a boat in the name of Kendal W. Kelly. Value of boat was incorrect. Amount \$19.88, Value \$2,500, Year 1999, Account #01-03237.

Release a portion of the boat value in the name of Thelton S. & Fostine J. Long. Year model was incorrect on boat. Amount \$29.11, Value \$3,807, Year 1999, Account #03-14864.

Release the value of a single wide home in the name of Kenith Stewart Mallory. Home was traded in for a double wide and listed. Amount \$91.16, Value \$3,329, Year 1996, Account #15-25266.

Release the value of a single wide home in the name of Kenith Stewart Mallory. Home traded in on double wide and listed. Amount \$123.55, Value \$3,080, Year 1997, Account #15-25266.

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Release a portion of the boat value in the name of Paul Martin. Billed with incorrect value. Amount \$13.83, Value \$1,599, Year 1999, Account #13-26900.

Release a portion of the boat value in the name of Harvey & Kitty Norris.

Billed with incorrect value on boat. Amount \$140.80, Value \$16,100, Year 1999, Account #09-22805.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Libby E. Pare. Boat is located in Florida. Amount \$1,127.64, Value \$147,500, Year 1999, Account #16-03929.

Release the value of a single wide home in the name of Willie Spaulding. Home traded for a double wide and listed. Amount \$124.66, Value \$2,970, Year 1999, Account #08-17868.

Release the value of a double wide home in the name of Geraldine Spivey. Home double listed in the name of Mabel E. Duncan. Amount \$358.54, Value \$37,200, Year 1999, Account #01-87803.

Release a portion of the boat value on two (2) boats in the name of Juanita H. Stanley. Billed with incorrect values. Amount \$121.51, Value \$13,730, Year 1999, Account #01-88031.

Release the property value in the name of Virginia Faulk Strickland. Property double listed in the name of Mary Hinson ETAL. Amount \$78.10, Value \$10,518, Year 1997, Account #12-42756.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ethel S. Van Eyken. Single wide home traded for double and listed. Amount \$259.97, Value \$19,010, Year 1998, Account #13-03232.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ethel S. Van Eyken. Single wide home traded for double wide and listed. Amount \$233.73, Value \$17,480, Year 1999, Account #13-03232.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Casey & Sherly Van Eylken. Double listed in the same name with a different account number. Amount \$333.78, Value \$35,100, Year 1996, Account #13-12349.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Casey & Sherly Van Eylken. Home doubled listed in the same name with a different account number. Amount \$425.96, Value \$46,900, Year 1997, Account #13-12349.

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Release the value of a boat in the name of Harold P. & Naomi W. Ward. Boat double listed in the name of Naomi & Harold Ward. Amount \$57.01, Value \$5,650, Year 1999, Account #06-40940.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Robert D. White. Billed with incorrect value. Amount \$17.13, Value \$2,240, Year 1999, Account #02-04205.

Release a portion of the value of a mobile home in the name of Rosco Williams. Billed with incorrect size of home. Amount \$31.70, Value \$4,560, Year 1999, Account #06-43497.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Margaree Williamson (ETAL). Property should be in the land use program. Amount \$104.94, Value \$15,100, Year 1999, Account #07-19305.

**Budget Amendment:**

Appropriate	10-393-0000	Fund Balance-Library	1998-99 roll-over funds	\$5,949
Expend	10-631-0200	Grant Salaries		5,598
Expend	10-631-0000	Grant FICA		351

**APPOINTMENT - COUNTY ATTORNEY**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to appoint James E. Hill, Jr., as County Attorney for Columbus County for the ensuing year.

**BONDS (SURETY) - EXAMINATION & APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to approve the Surety Bonds for 1999-2000 on the following employees as listed:

Gayle Godwin, Finance Officer	-	\$100,000
Jimmy Ferguson, Sheriff	-	50,000

Richard Gore, Tax Administrator	-	25,000
Shirley Settlemyre, Deputy Tax Collector	-	25,000
Brenda Strickland, HUD Director	-	25,000
Linwood Cartrette, Coroner	-	25,000
William Hannah, Assistant Coroner	-	25,000
Ila N. Penny, Register of Deeds	-	10,000

**APPOINTMENT - AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Commissioner Gray appointed Betty Ann Smith to serve on the Aging Advisory Council, representing District IV, to fill the unexpired term of Betty Massari who resigned, with term expiring June 30, 2001.

**AGING - APPROVAL FOR ACCEPTING STATE APPROPRIATIONS**

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to approve a 10% local match for a state appropriation in the amount of thirty-one thousand, six hundred forty-five and no/100 dollars (\$31,645.00) from Senate Bill 1366 to be allocated in equal amounts to the five (5) Senior Centers in Columbus County. The 10% match is to be absorbed within the Department of Aging's 1999-2000 Budget appropriation.

**APPOINTMENT - JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**

Commissioner McKenzie appointed Anthony (Andy) Anderson to fill the unexpired term of Ernie Gaskins, on the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, to represent District I, with term expiring June 30, 2001.

**APPOINTMENTS - AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

The following reappointments/appointment were made by Commissioners representing their respective zones to serve on the Columbus County Airport Authority.

Commissioner	Zone	Appointment	Expiration Date
C.E. Wilson	II	Alex N. Jordan	10-20-03
A. Dial Gray, III	IV	Lloyd Pebo Collier, Jr.	10-20-03
Lynwood Norris	V	William C. Cox, III	10-20-03
David L. Dutton, J.	VII	Ronald Thompson	10-20-01

**APPOINTMENT - BOARD OF HEALTH**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to reappoint Peggy Blackmon, Registered Nurse, to serve on the Columbus County Board of Health for a three (3) year term, with term expiring 12-31-2002.

**APPOINTMENTS - BOARD OF HEALTH**

The following reappointments were made by Commissioners to represent their respective zones on the Columbus County Board of Health.

Commissioner	Zone	Appointment	Expiration Date
A. Dial Gray, III	IV	C.L. "Buddy" Tate, Jr.	12-31-02
C.E. Wilson	II	Darryl J. Diefes, D.D.S.	12-31-02

**APPOINTMENTS - LOWER CAPE FEAR WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to reappoint the following persons to serve on the Lower Cape Fear Water and Sewer Authority for a three (3) year term, expiring 01-02-2003.

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator

Lynwood Norris, Commission Chairman

**APPOINTMENTS - NURSING/ADULT CARE HOME JOINT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to reappoint the following persons to serve on the Nursing/Adult Care Home Joint Community Advisory Committee follows:

Reba Bowen - 3 year term, expiring 10-16-2002

Mary Ann Gowans - 3 year term, expiring 12-06-2002

**MEETING RECESSED - PUBLIC HEARING**

At 8:15 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to recess the Board Meeting to hold a Public Hearing for Columbus County Water & Sewer District IV.

**PUBLIC HEARING - COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & DISTRICT IV**

At 8:15 A.M., Commissioner C.E. Wilson, past Chairman, called the Public Hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to determine whether or not to establish a Water and Sewer District IV in North Hallsboro, Welches Creek Township, a portion of Bogue Township and a small part of Waccamaw Township.

Commissioner Wilson requested anyone in attendance who wished to speak to be recognized by stating their name.

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, explained the procedure for establishing Water and Sewer District IV.

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED**

At 8:20 A.M., Commissioner Wilson closed the Public Hearing.

**RESUME REGULAR SESSION**

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to resume regular session.

**RESOLUTION - BRUNSWICK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FINANCING FOR PIERCE FIRE PUMPER TANKER/TRUCK**

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

**RESOLUTION APPROVING the FINANCING by BRUNSWICK****VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT****Of up to \$142,819.00 for a 2000 Pierce Fire Pumper/Tanker Project**

WHEREAS, Brunswick Volunteer Fire Department has determined to finance an amount of up to \$142,819.00 for a 2000 Pierce Fire Pumper/Tanker. The United States Internal Revenue Code requires that for such financing to be carried out on a tax-exempt basis, this Board must first approve the financing. The Volunteer Fire Department has held a public hearing on the financing after published notice, as required by the Code. The Volunteer Fire Department has reported the proceedings of the hearing to this Board.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of**

**Columbus County, North Carolina, as follows:**

The County approves the Brunswick Volunteer Fire Department's entering into the financing, as required under the Code for the financing to be carried out on a tax-exempt basis. The Volunteer Fire Department's conduct of the required public hearing is approved.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the meeting of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners duly called and held on December 13, 1999, and that a quorum was present and acting throughout such meeting. Such resolution remains in full effect as of today.

Dated this 13th day of December 1999.

(SEAL)

/s Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board  
Commissioners, Columbus County,  
North Carolina

**RESOLUTION - DEVELOPMENT GROWTH CORRIDOR FOR U.S. 701  
THROUGHOUT COLUMBUS COUNTY**

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

**DEVELOPMENT GROWTH CORRIDOR**

**U.S. 701 RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Columbus County is constantly changing with an area of some nine hundred forty-five (945) square miles, with a population of fifty-three thousand (53,000) persons who desire to live, work and play here; **and**

**WHEREAS,** our County has problems, agriculture income is decreasing, our family farms are disappearing, job opportunities for our young people are very limited, with many having to leave the County in order to find employment; **and**

**WHEREAS,** the Columbus County Board of Commissioners has given high priority for economic and industrial development; **and**

**WHEREAS,** as U.S. Highway 701 serves Columbus County's Southeast Regional Industrial Parks; **and**

**WHEREAS,** U.S. Highway 701 runs through Columbus County from Bladen

County from the north to the South Carolina line in Horry County; **and**

**WHEREAS**, U.S. Highway 701 serves the arterial roads that serve Columbus County and its citizens as well as development; **and**

**WHEREAS**, U.S. Highway 701 is a major connector to U.S. 74-76 and from there to Interstate 95; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners is giving high priority to the planning for a better future for Columbus County and its citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners hereby designates U.S. Highway 701, where inclusive or separate, as an economic and industrial development growth corridor through Columbus County.

**ADOPTED** this the 13th day of December 1999.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**/s/ C.E. Wilson, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

**/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to BOARD**

**RESOLUTION - COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT II  
CONSTRUCTION AND SPECIFICATION PLANS**

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

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT II**

**RESOLUTION by GOVERNING BODY**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II intends to construct a water supply system providing safe drinking water for residents of Columbus County Water and Sewer District II; **and**

**WHEREAS**, USDA - Rural Development requires approval of the proposed Water District II construction plans and specifications by the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Governing Body.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II:



That the construction plans and specifications prepared by Hobbs, Upchurch and Associates, P.A. for the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II water distribution system consisting of 155 miles of water mains, a 200,000 gallon elevated storage tank, a 600 g.p.m. production well, and treatment facility are hereby approved by this Governing Body.

**ADOPTED** this the 13th day of December 1999, at Whiteville, North Carolina.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**/s/ C.E. Wilson, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

**RESOLUTION - SUPPORTING SCC's EFFORT TO DEVELOP A REGIONAL FIRE TRAINING FACILITY**

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

**RESOLUTION in SUPPORT of**  
**SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S EFFORTS**  
**to DEVELOP a REGIONAL FIRE TRAINING FACILITY**  
**for the REGION 1999**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners is most concerned about the development of training facilities for the region; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners recognizes Southeastern Community College as being a leader for the region in the development of training facilities; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Southeastern Community College's efforts in educational and training standards have and will be a tremendous benefit to Columbus County and the entire region of Southeastern North Carolina; **and**

**WHEREAS**, a Regional Fire Training Facility would greatly enhance training for counties, municipalities and industrial development of fire and safety programs; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the site selection is a most integral component for regional development and cooperation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners supports Southeastern Community College in their efforts to seek out and provide a suitable site for a Regional Fire Training Facility.

ADOPTED this the 13th day of December, 1999.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ C.E. WILSON, Chairman

**ATTESTED BY:**

/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board

**EMERGENCY SERVICES - REVISED & CREATED STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES FOR 9-1-1 CENTER**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to adopt the revised and created Standard Operating Guidelines for the 9-1-1 Center as follows:

**SOG Number 6: ON DUTY SUPERVISOR/ACTING SHIFT SUPERVISOR POLICY**

1. Shift Supervisor or Acting Shift Supervisor will be on duty at all times to provide quality assurance and responsible coverage of 9-1-1 activities.
2. Any disciplinary action necessary during the shift will be the responsibility of the Shift Supervisor or the Acting Shift Supervisor (Note SOG-58) and documented accordingly.
3. The Shift Supervisor or Acting Shift Supervisor is responsible for calling in a person to replace someone that leaves early or calls in sick. The Director will be advised immediately, if possible.
4. Shift Supervisor or Acting Supervisor is responsible for the compliance of all SOG's.
5. The Shift Supervisor is responsible to come in to work a position on their shift that could not be covered by other personnel.
6. Shift Supervisor's meetings are mandatory meetings. The only excused absence will be if the Shift Supervisor is scheduled for vacation time. Failure to attend will result in an "Employee Warning Notice."

**SOG Number 73: PRETRIAL RELEASE PROGRAM FOR HOUSE ARREST POLICY**

1. If house arrest in Raleigh calls the 9-1-1 Center, the telecommunicator should contact the Sheriff's Sergeant on duty. The Sergeant will respond appropriately to the call.
2. House arrest calls are not to be reported to Probation Officers. They are to be

reported to the duty officer at the Sheriff's Department.

## **SOG Number 87: EVACUATION OF 9-1-1 CENTER**

### **PURPOSE:**

In the event that 9-1-1 cannot function at its current location, an alternate location must be in place and functional.

The alternate location is the Columbus County Sheriff's Department Communication Room.

The Sheriff's Communication Room is equipped with a radio with the "old" fire/rescue frequency, and the Sheriff's frequency.

Additionally, Emergency Services has four (4) phone lines installed: 914-4103, 914-4104, 914-4105 and 914-4106.

### **POLICY:**

1. Call 1-800-328-0238.
2. When the party answers, identify yourself as "Columbus County 9-1-1," routing number 910-596-6919.
3. Take the 9-1-1 Emergency Bag when you leave.
4. Report to the Sheriff's Department Communication Room.
5. Establish normal operations.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES - RURAL ADDRESSING ORDINANCE REVISION**

### **APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to approve the "Rural Addressing Ordinance" revision as follows:

### **COLUMBUS COUNTY**

### **RURAL ADDRESSING ORDINANCE**

### **REVISIONS TO EXISTING ORDINANCE:**

<b>Strike Through</b>	<b>= Delete or Rescind</b>
<b>Underline (Double)</b>	<b>= Additions/Replacements</b>
<b>As Is</b>	<b>= No Changes</b>

**WHEREAS,** a consistent and coherent house and building numbering system for Columbus County is necessary for public safety purposes, to minimize confusion for citizens and visitors to Columbus County, to facilitate orderly and comprehensive mail delivery, and to establish a constant and permanent address for Columbus County citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners:

**SECTION 1. - PURPOSE AND INTENT**

The purpose and intent of this Ordinance is to provide a uniform system of rural addresses for all properties and buildings throughout the County in order to facilitate provisions of adequate public safety and emergency response services and to minimize difficulty in locating properties and buildings for public service agencies and the general public.

**SECTION II. - DEFINITIONS**

The following words and phrases where used in this Ordinance shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section:

- A. **Address Administrator:** The official of Columbus County designated by the County Administrator, charged with the administration of this article, including their authorized agent or delegate.
- B. **Building:** Any structure whether residential, commercial, industrial, or institutional in nature and use. When a structure is divided by division walls from the ground up without openings, each portion of such building may be deemed a separate building.
- C. **Driveway:** A private way, beginning at the property line of a lot abutting a public or private road or other easement. A driveway may not serve more than a single lot unless it runs along a lot line shared by two (2) lots and serves no more than two (2) lots which face a addressed from the named road.
- D. **Mobile Home Park:** Shall mean and include site, lot, tract, or parcel of land upon which one (1) or more mobile home/ manufactured homes or travel trailer is parked, for the temporary or permanent use as living quarters of one (1) or more families.
- E. **Private Road:** Any road which serves more than two (2) buildings and is not maintained by a governmental entity or agency through the use of public funds.
- F. **Public Road:** Any road or street which is maintained by a government entity or agency through the use of public funds.
- G. **Road Address:** The combination of numbers and road names assigned by Columbus County which uniquely identifies a particular building or lot.

- H. **Subdivision:** All divisions of a tract or a parcel of land into two (2) or more lots, building sites, or other divisions for the purpose of sale or building development (whether immediate or future) and includes all division of land involving the dedication of a new street or change in existing streets as outlined in G.S. 153A-335.

### SECTION III. - ROAD NAMES

- A. The road names on file with the office of the Emergency Management/9-1-1 Coordinator Services are the official names of these roads, ~~unless changed by action of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.~~ The Address Administrator is hereby authorized to determine the need for road name changes ~~and to recommend such changes to the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.~~ Unless there is a substantial documentable **documental** need for a change in an official road name, no changes will be made ~~for a period of five (5) years following the date of adoption of this Ordinance.~~
- B. All roads in Columbus County shall be identified by a sign showing the official name of that road.
- C. Road name signs shall be uniform throughout the County in accordance with the following system:
- |                                    |   |                      |
|------------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| <b>White with Green Background</b> | - | <b>Public Roads</b>  |
| <b>White with Blue Background</b>  | - | <b>Private Roads</b> |
- D. All roads which meet the criteria for a private road shall be named using the procedures listed in Appendix A.

### SECTION IV. - ADMINISTRATION AND APPLICATION

- A. The Address Administrator will be responsible for the interpretation and administration of this Ordinance, including:
1. Assigning all numbers for properties and buildings.
  2. Maintain address records of each property and building.
  3. Recommending any changes necessary to facilitate sequential building numbers along a road.
  4. Designating individual unit addresses within any multiple housing units in

conformity with this Ordinance.

- B. **Road Address** number will be assigned using the Columbus County Addressing System listed in Appendix B.
- C. This Ordinance shall apply in all areas of Columbus County not within a municipality. **However, the following government entities are addressed by the Address Administrator: Boardman, Bolton, Brunswick, Cerro Gordo, Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, Lake Waccamaw, Riegelwood, Sandyfield, Tabor City and Whiteville.**
- D. Assisting the public in complying with the requirements of this Ordinance.
- E. **NO** subdivision, mobile home park, other non-permanent dwelling unit park, may be recorded, constructed, or otherwise begun without first submitting plans showing layout of any proposed subdivision, mobile home park or other non-permanent dwelling park to the Address Administrator. The Address Administrator will review the plans to ensure adequate access to and from the proposed subdivision, or park and will assign address numbers for each proposed lot and ensure that other provisions of this Ordinance are complied with

#### **SECTION V. - DISPLAY OF ROAD ADDRESS NUMBERS**

- A. **Road Address Numbers** must be clearly displayed so that the location can be easily identified from the road.
  1. The **Official 9-1-1 Address Number** must be displayed on the front of a building or at the entrance to a building which is most clearly visible from the road during both day and night.
  2. If a building is more than **seventy-five fifty (50')** feet from any road, the address number shall be displayed at the end of the driveway nearest the road which provides access to the building.
  3. Numerals indicating the address number of a single-family dwelling shall be at least four (4) inches in height and shall be posted and maintained so as to be legible from the road.
  4. Numbers for multiple dwelling units and non-residential buildings shall be at least four (4) inches in height and shall be placed on the front of the building

facing the road or on the end of the building nearest the road.

5. Numerals shall be of a contrasting color to the background.
  6. Mobile home and other non-permanent dwelling unit lots shall have sequential address numbers throughout the park. Each lot will have a separate address number assigned. The address number of each lot must be clearly displayed on the lot so as to be legible from the road rather than maintained on the mobile home unit.
- B. The **Address Administrator** will have the authority to authorize and approve alternate methods of displaying road address numbers which meet the intent of this Ordinance when strict adherence to these standards cannot be reasonably met.
- C. The **Postal Service** will adopt the new house numbering system as addresses. If mail is delivered to the home, the new address will be the mailing address. If mail is received at a post office, the new address will not affect the mailing address and will only be used to locate the residence in an emergency.
1. The address number must be displayed on both sides of the mail box.
  2. Each address should have a mail box unless mail is received at a post office.

#### **SECTION VI. - ENFORCEMENT**

- A. **NO** building permit shall be issued until an ~~official road~~ **9-1-1** address number has been assigned for a lot. ~~The record plat of any subdivision must show the address for each lot created or recorded, as required by Section IV, Paragraph E.~~
- B. **NO** Certificate of Completion or Certificate of Occupancy will be issued by the Building Inspection Department until the road address numbers are properly displayed.
- C. **NO** person may display or cause to be displayed on any building any number other than the number assigned by the Address Administrator.
- D. **NO** person may remove, obliterate, conceal or destroy any number or sign displayed in accordance with this Ordinance.
- E. Owners or occupants of buildings ~~already constructed~~ which do not comply with this Ordinance will be notified and requested to meet these requirements within thirty (30)

days from the date of the notification. A warning notice will be issued after ~~thirty~~ ~~(30)~~ fifteen (15) days if the requirements have not been met. If the owner or occupant does not comply voluntarily with this Ordinance within ~~thirty~~ ~~(30)~~ fifteen (15) days of the delivery of a warning notice by certified mail or hand-delivered to the building in violation, enforcement action a civil penalty, pursuant to G.S. 153A-123, may will be initiated assessed. The civil penalty may be recovered by the County in a civil action in the nature of a debt if the offender does not pay the penalty within fifteen (15) days after the warning notice has been issued. In addition, this Ordinance may be enforced by an appropriate equitable remedy issued from a court of competent jurisdiction.

**E.** A violation of this Ordinance shall subject the offender to a civil penalty in the amount of twenty-five and 00/100 (\$25.00) dollars per day after the penalty is assessed until subject complies with this Ordinance.

**G.** Monies collected from enforcement of this Ordinance will be applied to the appropriate line item for the Addressing Office.

#### **SECTION VII. - EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force on May 15, 1995.

**AMENDMENTS and ADDITIONS ADOPTED** by the Columbus County Board of County Commissioners this the 13th day of December, 1999.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**/s/ LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

**/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board**

#### **APPENDIX A**

#### **STATE MAINTAINED and PRIVATE ROAD**

#### **NAMING GUIDELINES**

As part of Columbus County's Comprehensive Emergency E9-1-1 Telecommunications System, all state maintained and private roads will be identified and addressed.



In order to have a systematic process to facilitate the naming of state maintained and Private Roads the following guidelines are to be followed:

1. A private road shall be defined as any road, lane, drive, etc. which serves more than two (2) structures (other than farm storage buildings) not facing state-maintained road or highway.
2. That the property owner(s) submits three (3) proposed names for their private ~~the~~ road, in the form of a petition, to the Address Administrator. The petition will indicate location of the road, contact person, telephone number, etc.
3. That the petition must indicate the number of property owners on the private road in question and that a majority of the property owners must be in agreement with the proposal.
4. That these petitions be examined and compared with the existing road names to ensure that no road names are duplicated.
5. Every effort will be made to name the road by one (1) of the three (3) proposed names, but in the event that all of the proposals are already being used, the contact person will be notified and other proposed names requested.
6. **For a private road, Once the road name has been is approved, by the Address Administrator will notify the contact person of the total cost of the sign(s), of which property owner(s) will be required to pay the total cost (as not duplicated);**  
~~the petition with the proposed names will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for formal approval.~~
7. ~~Once the road name is approved, the County will notify the contact person of the total cost of the sign(s), of which property owner(s) will be required to pay the total cost.~~  
**The Address Administrator will order the sign(s). When the private road name sign(s) arrive, the Address Administrator will notify the contact person to pick up the sign(s). The contact will be responsible for the installation of the sign(s). The installer should contact their phone company prior to installation to avoid cutting buried cables.**
8. ~~The County will order and have the sign(s) installed.~~

98. The signs for a private roads will have six (6) inch blades, blue background with white reflective letters installed on standard square aluminum poles.
102. The monies collected from the property owner(s) will be used to pay for these signs and will be transferred to the appropriate line item.

## APPENDIX B

### COLUMBUS COUNTY ADDRESSING SYSTEM

Columbus County uses an equal interval system in its approach to assigning road address numbers to buildings within the County. This requires the selection of two (2) intersecting baselines, one (1) running in an East-West direction and one (1) running in a North-South direction. A frontage interval of 5.28 feet is then used to assign a progression of road address numbers to building and properties. Working out from these lines in any direction along a continuous road with this system will easily convert to distance from the beginning point (i.e., 1600 equals 1.6 miles).

The base lines selected for Columbus County are the Whiteville City Limits. All Most road address numbers will begin at the end of the road closest to the nearest base line; or in case of a dead end road, at its intersection with another named road. For continuous roads which cross a base line, they will be addressed with respect to East - West - North - South of that line.

All buildings will be addressed relative to their position on a named road. Houses which are obviously facing a named road will be addressed with the number which falls closest to the front door of that building. Buildings, which are situated more than seventy-five (75) feet off a named road will be addressed where their driveway intersects the named road (if the house is not visible from the road, use driveway).

Road address numbers will be assigned every 5.28 feet from the beginning point on that particular road. Numbers will be assigned, even numbers on the right side of the road, odd numbers on the left side of the road, as one would stand with their back toward the beginning point.

**AGREEMENT (TEMPORARY STAFFING) - VANGUARD PROFESSIONAL STAFFING**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to approve the Department of Social Services to enter into an Agreement with Vanguard Professional Staffing, Incorporated to provide temporary staffing with the stipulation the staff provided for Social Services must be fully trained and certified.

**NORTH CAROLINA**                      **VANGUARD PROFESSIONAL STAFFING, INC.**  
**WILSON COUNTY**                      **TEMPORARY STAFFING AND**  
**CONSULTATION AGREEMENT**

**THIS AGREEMENT**, made and entered into on the date hereinafter stated, by and between **VANGUARD PROFESSIONAL STAFFING, INC.**, a North Carolina corporation, with its principal office and place of business in Wilson, Wilson County, North Carolina, hereinafter called "Service Provider"; and Columbus County Department of Social Services, with its principal office and place of business in Whiteville, Columbus County, North Carolina, hereinafter called "Agency".

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the Service Provider is a North Carolina corporation, having as its principal business the providing of temporary staffing and consultation services to human service agencies throughout North Carolina;

**WHEREAS**, the Service Provider employs individuals with varying degrees of experience who are able to provide staffing and consultation services to the Agency;

**WHEREAS**, the Agency, from time to time, is in need of the various services provided by the Service Provider;

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of both the Service Provider and the Agency by this Agreement to set forth its terms and conditions.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, the adequacy and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties covenant and agree as follows:

**1.0 Staffing.** The Agency hereby employs the Service Provider to provide temporary staffing and consultation services to its human service agency. The Service Provider accepts such employment, agrees to provide staffing to perform such services as may

be reasonably set forth from time to time by the Agency. The Agency and the Service Provider will sign an Addendum to this Agreement upon the employment of each new staffing need. The Addendum will provide the services to be rendered, the compensation to be paid, the projected period of employment, and the specific qualifications of the proposed staff employed.

**2.0 Term.** The term of this Agreement between the Agency and the Service Provider shall begin on the 13th day of December, 1999, and shall continue until the relationship is terminated as herein provided. This Agreement will automatically renew each year unless one of the parties specifically terminated the Agreement within thirty (30) days prior to the annual anniversary.

**3.0 Termination.** The relationship between the Agency and the Service Provider shall terminate as follows:

- a) Upon ninety (90) days written notice given by either party to the other;
- b) Upon the mutual written consent of both parties;
- c) Upon the liquidation of either business entity.

**4.0 Compensation and Benefits.** The compensation and other benefits for each staffing contract shall be set out in a separate Addendum attached hereto that shall be executed by the Agency and the Service Provider and which is deemed incorporated herein by reference.

**5.0 Payment Terms.** The Service Provider will provide the Agency with bi-monthly invoices for services rendered, unless specified otherwise in the Addendum. The Agency agrees to pay the invoices in full within thirty (30) days of receipt.

**6.0 Confidentiality.**

- a) **Confidential Information.** The Agency acknowledges that the Service Provider's methods of sales and service and other information of a secret or confidential nature which is required to be maintained as such for the continued success of the Service Provider and its business is a valuable special and proprietary information. It is a unique asset of the Service Provider that is collectively deemed to be a trade secret. The Agency agrees to hold in

confidence and not to disclose or use for its benefit any confidential or proprietary information received from the Service Provider during the term of this Agreement and subsequent extensions and continuations thereof.

- b) The Agency may solicit the Employee of the Service Provider to permanent employment with the Agency after a period of three (3) months' employment through the Service Provider. If the Agency desires to solicit the Employee for permanent employment prior to three (3) months, the Agency agrees to pay the Service Provider one-third (1/3) of the remainder of the three-month period cost.

**7.0 Expenses.** The Agency agrees to pay a reasonable mileage allowance for the travel of an Employee of the Service Provider. In addition, the Agency will pay such other business expenses as agreed upon by the Service Provider and the Agency at the time of the execution of their Addendum.

**8.0 Supplies and Facilities.** The Agency shall provide the Service Provider's staff with adequate supplies, facilities, and other services suitable to their position and adequate for the performance of their duties. The Agency acknowledges that the majority of the services to be rendered will be provided at the Agency's place of business.

**9.0 Independent Contractual Relationship.** The Agency and the Service Provider agree that the Service Provider is responsible for the staff and that the individual staff members are the employees of the Service Provider. The Agency will have no liability for payroll taxes, including FICA, Medicare, Federal Unemployment Tax, and State Unemployment Tax, Workmen's Compensation insurance coverage, or other similar employee benefits.

**10.0 Miscellaneous.**

- a) **Severability.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular provision of this Agreement shall not affect the provisions hereof, and the Agreement shall be construed in all respects as if such invalid or enforceable provision were omitted.
- b) **Governing Law.** The Contract shall be subject to and governed by the laws

of the State of North Carolina.

- c) **Amendments.** The Agreement may not be amended, added to, or changed except by written agreement signed by the Agency and the Service Provider.
- d) **Assignment.** Neither this Contract nor any rights or obligations created therein shall be assigned by the Agency without the express written consent of the Service Provider.
- e) **Notices.** All notices provided for herein shall be in writing and served upon the parties at the then-current mailing address for each party.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Agency and the Service Provider caused this Agreement to be signed in the name by its officers duly authorized to do so.

**VANGUARD PROFESSIONAL STAFFING, INC.**

/s/ Myra J. Powell, Area Manager

**Date: 12-1-99**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

/s/ Larry Moore, Director

**Date: 12-14-99**

I hereby certify the foregoing Agreement was approved by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners at their meeting held December 13, 1999 with the stipulation the staff provided for the Department of Social Services will be fully trained and certified.

**MEETING RECESSED - PUBLIC HEARING**

At 8:30 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to recess the Board Meeting to hold a scheduled Public Hearing for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V.

**PUBLIC HEARING - COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT V**

At 8:30 A.M., Commissioner C.E. Wilson, past Chairman, called the Public Hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to determine whether or not to establish a Water and Sewer District V in Bug Hill Township, a portion of Williams Township (Highway 905 and Simmons Bay on the north, Waccamaw River on the east, South Carolina State Line on the south and Juniper Swamp and Highway 701 west).

Commissioner Wilson requested anyone in attendance who wished to speak to be recognized by stating their name.

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, explained the procedure for establishing Water and Sewer District V.

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED**

At 8:35 A.M., Commissioner Wilson closed the Public Hearing.

**MINING PERMIT APPLICATION - TABLED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to table the request for a Mining Permit Application by B.M. Long & Associates for further investigation.

**LUMBER RIVER COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS - SEEKING THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE SOUTHERN COASTAL PLAIN REGIONAL GROUND WATER PROGRAM**

James Perry, Chief Administrator for the Lumber River Council of Governments, addressed the Board concerning the long-term efforts regarding ground water needs in our region of the State. Mr. Perry also advised the Lumber River Council of Governments has received a \$180,000 grant from the Division of Water Quality to begin a two-year effort at organizing a water quality planning group for the Lumber River Basin. Mr. Perry advised their goal is to have all eight (8) counties within the region to participate in the study. The cost for each county has been based on \$.10 per capita, excluding municipalities; therefore, Columbus County's share would be \$3,710.00 per year for four (4) years for a total of \$14,840.00.

Chairman Norris advised Mr. Perry the Board will take his request under advisement and will notify him of their decision.

**PROCLAMATION - EMERGENCY DESIGNATION**

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

**EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION of the  
COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD of COMMISSIONERS**

**WHEREAS, Columbus County suffered a "major disaster" September 15 and**

October 17, 1999, when struck by devastating hurricanes; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States has authorized federal agencies to provide disaster relief in North Carolina and Columbus County; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the agents of Columbus County have, as a part of that effort, agreed to provide construction and demolition debris removal through its own personnel or through contractors operating in its behalf, from the public and private right-of-ways within Columbus County; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the agents of Columbus County require authorization to enter private property and roadways within Columbus County for the sole purpose of removal of construction and demolition debris; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners has determined that such authorization is necessary to preserve the safety, health and welfare of people within the County.

**IT IS THEREFORE PROCLAIMED** by the Chairman of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners that a State of Emergency exists in Columbus County pursuant to N.C.G.S. 14-288.13. The Chairman has determined that it is necessary to authorize the local government agents to enter onto the private roads and property of the people of Columbus County for the sole limited purpose of removal of debris caused by Hurricanes Floyd and Irene in order to protect the public safety and welfare of persons in Columbus County. This authorization covers the Corps of Engineers, other federal agencies and those contracting with them for such debris removal.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED** that this Proclamation shall take effect upon its execution and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2000.

This the 13th day of December, 1999.

**COUNTY OF COLUMBUS**  
**/s/ LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman of**  
**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ATTESTED:**

**/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board**



**PROCLAMATION - RIGHT-OF-ENTRY**

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

**RIGHT-OF-ENTRY to the****Agents of Columbus County**

**WHEREAS**, on the fifteenth day of September, 1999, the President declared a "major disaster" in the State of North Carolina under the provisions of Public Law 288, 93rd Congress as amended; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of North Carolina by declaration on September 15, 1999, agreed that the State of North Carolina, in accordance with 44 CFR 206, 208, would provide without cost to Columbus County all lands, easements and right-of-ways necessary to accomplish the approved work and to hold and save North Carolina and Columbus County free from damages due to the requested work, and shall indemnify the State of North Carolina against any claims arising from such work; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Columbus is a public entity within the State of North Carolina; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Columbus has determined that it has the authority under N.C.G.S. 14-288.13 to remove the debris from designated public or private areas.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the County of Columbus, pursuant to its authority under N.C.G.S. 14-288.13, grants to the State of North Carolina, the agents of Columbus County, and its contractors and subcontractors, the authority and permission to enter in and onto all designated areas within the County of Columbus, State of North Carolina, at any time within a period of one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of this instrument in order to remove debris.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY**

**Date: 12-13-99**

**LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**ATTESTED BY:**

**/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board**

**APPOINTMENTS - ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Board of Commissioners made the following appointments to serve on the

Animal Control Advisory Council to represent their respective zones.

Commissioner	Zone	Name, Address & Telephone Number
Amon E. McKenzie	I	Loretta Gore 200 North Thompson Street Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 642-1838
C.E. Wilson	II	Cary Harmon P.O. Box 788 Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone; 648-4817
Sammie Jacobs	III	Paula Lewis 1003 Merritt Road Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 640-3659
A. Dial Gray, III	IV	Sherry Burnette 500 North Thompson Street Whiteville, NC 28472 Telephone: 642-3166
Lynwood Norris	V	Rhonda Nealey 685 Furney Hammond Road Clarendon, NC 28432 Telephone: 653-2971
Spruell Randolph Britt	VI	Dr. Jeff Burroughs P.O. Box 398 Cerro Gordo, NC 28430 Telephone: 654-6952
David L. Dutton, Jr.	VII	Teresa Hopkins 308 East Third Avenue Chadbourn, NC 28431 Telephone: 654-4364

### **RESOLUTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF WATER & SEWER DISTRICT III**

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

### **COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT III**

The Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in a duly organized and called meeting on the 13th day of December 1999 at 8:00 o'clock A.M. and conducted a public hearing in accordance with Article 6 of Chapter 162 of the North Carolina General Statutes and which was scheduled after properly advertised and posting of Notice of Public Hearing.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairman L. Lynwood Norris, and Commissioners Spruell R. Britt, David L. Dutton, Jr., A. Dial Gray, III, Sammie Jacobs, Amon E. McKenzie and C.E. Wilson.

From the evidence offered at the hearing and from the previous canvassing of

the community and from the prior studies and other written evidence already submitted to the Board and County Administration, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners finds the following facts:

1. There has been a demonstrated need for providing in the district water services and/or sewer services or both; and
2. The residents of the proposed district will benefit from the district's creation; and
3. It is economically feasible to provide the proposed service or services in the district without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
4. All of the proposed district is outside of the corporate limits of any city or town and the district will not include any city or town unless the governing board of the city or town, by resolution, requests to be included within the said district. The defined areas for the district are the same as described in the Notice of Public Hearing previously published and posted in accordance with the applicable law.

Based upon the forgoing Finding of Facts, Commissioner C.E. Wilson submitted the following, **BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

That pursuant to Chapter 162A of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Columbus County Board of County Commissioners does hereby establish the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, including the following unincorporated areas or townships: the northern portion of Whiteville Township and Western Prong Township.

The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Amon McKenzie and passed unanimously.

**In Favor:** Commissioners Norris, Britt, Dutton, Gray, Jacobs, McKenzie and Wilson.

**Opposed:** None

This the 13th day of December 1999.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**By: /s/ Lynwood Norris, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**  
/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board

**RESOLUTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF WATER & SEWER DISTRICT IV**

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

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING****FOR WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT IV**

The Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in a duly organized and called meeting on the 13th day of December 1999 at 8:15 o'clock A.M. and conducted a public hearing in accordance with Article 6 of Chapter 162 of the North Carolina General Statutes and which was scheduled after properly advertised and posting of Notice of Public Hearing.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairman L. Lynwood Norris, and Commissioners Spruell R. Britt, David L. Dutton, Jr., A. Dial Gray, III, Sammie Jacobs, Amon E. McKenzie and C.E. Wilson.

From the evidence offered at the hearing and from the previous canvassing of the community and from the prior studies and other written evidence already submitted to the Board and County Administration, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners finds the following facts:

1. There has been a demonstrated need for providing in the district water services and/or sewer services or both; and
2. The residents of the proposed district will benefit from the district's creation; and
3. It is economically feasible to provide the proposed service or services in the district without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
4. All of the proposed district is outside of the corporate limits of any city or town and the district will not include any city or town unless the governing board of the city or town, by resolution, requests to be included within the said district. The defined areas for the district are the same as described in the Notice of Public Hearing previously published and posted in accordance with the applicable law.

Based upon the forgoing Finding of Facts, Commissioner Sammie Jacobs

submitted the following, **BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

That pursuant to Chapter 162A of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Columbus County Board of County Commissioners does hereby establish the Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV, including the following unincorporated areas or townships: North Hallsboro, Welches Creek Township, a portion of Bogue Township and a small part of Waccamaw Township.

The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner A. Dial Gray, III and passed unanimously.

**In Favor:** Commissioners Norris, Britt, Dutton, Gray, Jacobs, McKenzie and Wilson.

**Opposed:** None.

This the 13th day of December 1999.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
By: /s/ Lynwood Norris, Chairman

**ATTESTED BY:**  
/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board

**RESOLUTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF WATER & SEWER DISTRICT V**

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

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**FOR WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT V**

The Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in a duly organized and called meeting on the 13th day of December 1999 at 8:30 o'clock A.M. and conducted a public hearing in accordance with Article 6 of Chapter 162 of the North Carolina General Statutes and which was scheduled after properly advertised and posting of Notice of Public Hearing.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairman L. Lynwood Norris, and Commissioners Spruell R. Britt, David L. Dutton, Jr., A. Dial Gray, III, Sammie Jacobs, Amon E. McKenzie and C.E. Wilson.

From the evidence offered at the hearing and from the previous canvassing of the community and from the prior studies and other written evidence already submitted to the Board and County Administration, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners finds

the following facts:

1. There has been a demonstrated need for providing in the district water services and/or sewer services or both; and
2. The residents of the proposed district will benefit from the district's creation; and
3. It is economically feasible to provide the proposed service or services in the district without unreasonable or burdensome annual tax levies; and
4. All of the proposed district is outside of the corporate limits of any city or town and the district will not include any city or town unless the governing board of the city or town, by resolution, requests to be included within the said district. The defined areas for the district are the same as described in the Notice of Public Hearing previously published and posted in accordance with the applicable law.

Based upon the forgoing Finding of Facts, Commissioner David L. Dutton, Jr. submitted the following, **BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

That pursuant to Chapter 162A of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Columbus County Board of County Commissioners does hereby establish the Columbus County Water and Sewer District V, including the following unincorporated areas or townships: Bug Hill Township and a portion of Williams Township (Highway 905 and Simmons Bay on the north, Waccamaw River on the east, the South Carolina State Line on the south and Juniper Swamp and Highway 701 on the West).

The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner C.E. Wilson and passed unanimously.

**In Favor:** Commissioners Norris, Britt, Dutton, Gray, Jacobs, McKenzie and Wilson.

**Opposed:** None

This the 13th day of December 1999.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**By: /s/ Lynwood Norris, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

**RESOLUTION - WATER DISTRICT III RESTRICTION ON FUTURE WATER SERVICE AND SITE SELECTION TO PROTECT FARMLAND**

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

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT III  
Restriction on Future Water Service and  
Site Selection to Protect Farmland**

**WHEREAS**, Columbus County is constantly changing with an area of some nine hundred forty-five (945) square miles, with a population of fifty-three thousand (53,000) persons who desire to live, work and play here; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Water District III will not install future water service to new development that requires larger than normal residential size tap to non-agricultural development proposed to occur on important farmland (as identified on Natural Resource Conservation Service soil classification maps for Columbus County) along surplus capacity water lines except for those previously designated as Growth Corridors. Those lines presently identified as having surplus capacity are those with a diameter of 10-inches located as follows:

- SR 1003 to Billy Hooks Road;
- SR 1003 from Wooten's Store Road to Billy Hooks Road;
- Billy Hooks Road at 701 to SR 1003; and
- SR 1545 at 701 to SR 1003.

**WHEREAS**, a final decision on whether or not a property proposed to be developed qualifies as important farmland will be made by the local office of the Natural Resources Conservation Service. In future expansions of the water system, this restriction will apply to all 10-inch diameter and larger waterlines that are not in a designated growth corridor unless a hydraulic analysis indicates the line has no surplus capacity. Water taps larger than residential size may be installed at any location for agricultural purposes such as providing water for livestock facilities. Columbus County Water District III also agrees to select future well, tank, and treatment facility sites so as to minimize conversion of important farmland. The District further agrees that no such sites will be acquired for future phases of the water system without the prior concurrence of Rural Development.

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners is giving high priority to the planning of water supply systems for a better future for Columbus County and its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners hereby restricts the water tap size on waterlines larger than 8-inches in diameter located in Water District III except in areas designated as growth corridors.

ADOPTED this 13th day of December 1999.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
/s/ C.E. Wilson, Chairman

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - REQUEST TO MAINTAIN LAUREL LANE (EXTENSION OF MITCHELFIELD LANE/SR 1725)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to direct Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, to write a letter to the Department of Transportation, requesting Laurel Lane Road (extension of Mitchelfield Lane/SR 1725) be added to the State Maintenance system.

**RESOLUTION - REQUESTING FEMA EXTENSION**

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

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING EXTENSION**  
**of FEMA and SBA APPLICATION DEADLINES**

WHEREAS, eastern North Carolina has experienced the largest and most significant natural disaster known in recorded history of the state - **Hurricane Floyd; and**

WHEREAS, **Hurricane Floyd** has damaged or destroyed over seventeen thousand (17,000) houses totaling over four hundred million and 00/100 (\$400,000,000.00) dollars; **and**

WHEREAS, people with damages continue to apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency assistance; **and**

WHEREAS, people must also apply to the Small Business Administration for loan assistance and eligibility determination for individual and family grants assistance; **and**

WHEREAS, applications for Small Business Administration loans have been



lower than expected; and

**WHEREAS**, many persons have expressed confusion about the need to complete a Small Business Administration loan or have indicated difficulty in completion of paperwork.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners requests the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management to seek extensions of the application deadlines for individual Federal Emergency Management Agency assistance and for Small Business Administration loans from December 14, 1999 to March 14, 2000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners requests other counties affected by Hurricane Floyd to support this request for extensions of those two (2) federal programs' deadlines.

**ADOPTED** this the 13th day of December, 1999.


**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
/s/ **LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman**

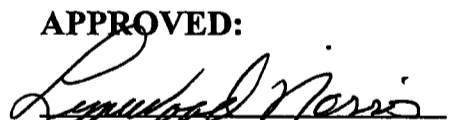
**ATTESTED BY:**

/s/ **IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board**

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to adjourn the Board Meeting at 9:10 A.M.

  
Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**APPROVED:**  
  
Lynwood Norris, Chairman

