

**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., August 7, 2000 to hold their regularly scheduled Board Meeting, it being the first Monday.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lynwood Norris, Chairman

Spruell R. Britt, Vice Chairman

David L. Dutton, Jr.

A. Dial Gray, III (Arrived at 8:40 A.M.)

Sammie Jacobs

Amon E. McKenzie

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr.  
County Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring  
County Administrator

Ida L. Smith  
Clerk to Board

**PUBLIC HEARING - ORDER AUTHORIZING \$6,571,000 WATER BONDS**

Chairman Norris called the Public Hearing to order for the purpose of citizens' input regarding the validity of an Order Authorizing \$6,571,000 Water Bonds for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III.

Chairman Norris requested comments from anyone present.

There were no comments.

At 8:05 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to close the Public Hearing.

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING COMMENCED**

Chairman Norris called the regularly scheduled Board Meeting to order and Commissioner Wilson gave the invocation.

**BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to approve the Board Minutes for July 3 and 10, 2000 Meetings as recorded.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to approve the following Consent Agenda Items.

**Tax Refunds:**

Request a refund in the name of Floyd Davis, Jr. (Heirs), 23 Argyle Terrace, Irvington, N.J. 07111. Property double listed to Viking, Inc. Amount \$45.60, Value \$5700, Year 1995, Account #01-19620.

Request a refund in the name of Floyd Davis, Jr. (Heirs), 23 Argyle Terrace, Irvington, N.J. 07111. Property double listed in the name of Viking, Inc. Amount \$45.60, Value \$5,700, Year 1996, Account #01-19620.

Request a refund in the name of Floyd Davis, Jr. (Heirs), 23 Argyle Terrace, Irvington, NC. 07111. Property double listed in the name of Ophelia Davis. Amount \$64.35, Value \$9,000, Year 1997, Account #01-19620.

Request a refund in the name of Floyd Davis Jr., (Heirs), 23 Argyle Terrace, Irvington, N.J. 07111. Property double listed in the name of Ophelia Davis. Amount \$138.71, Value \$19,400, Year 1998, Account #01-19620.

Request a refund for the Riegelwood Sanitary District in the name of N.C. Elec. Memb. Corp., P.O. Box 27306, Raleigh, N.C. 27611. Property double listed in the name of Four County. Amount \$664.24, Value \$221,413, Year 1999, Account #15-08748.

Request a refund in the name of Jeannie Mae & Matthew Robinson, 411 Spearman Rd., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Property double listed in the name of Mathew & Janie Robinson. Amount \$138.60, Value \$19,942, Year 1996, Account #04-13705.

**Tax Releases:**

Release the user fee in the name of Leverne Bellamy. No trash can delivered here. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-04471.

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Release both user fees in the name of Margie Hooks. No trash cans at this address. Amount \$200.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #03-02043.

Release one of the user fees in the name of George & Flossie Inman. They only have one trash container. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1998, Account #01-45900.

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Release the user fee in the name of Robert & Hilda Memory. House vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #02-60981.

Release the user fee in the name of Robert Thurston Memory. House vacant. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #01-61180.

Release the user fee in the name of Robert Thurston Memory. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #01-61180.

Release the user fee in the name of Robert Thurston Memory. House vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #07-12030.

Release one of the user fees in the name of Kermit Patrick. One house is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #08-14580.

Release the user fee in the name of Todd Custom Fabrication & Construction. Building vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #11-11808.

Release the user fee in the name of Daphne Tompkins. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1999, Account #13-39632.

Release the user fee in the name of Matthew Young. Fee double listed in the same name with a different account number. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1998, Account #19-00927.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Billy Allen. Home listed in South Carolina. Amount \$181.73, Value \$10,690, Year 1999, Account #01-00406.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Eugene & Margie B. Brown. Home burned prior to 1999. Amount \$108.97, Value \$1,000, Year 1999, Account #15-05120.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Margaret Elizabeth Hooks. Home double listed in the name of Margie Hooks. Amount \$233.33, Value \$4,360, Year 1999, Account #06-19322.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne. Property double listed in the name of Bryon F. Tedder (Heirs). Amount \$24.00, Value \$3,200, Year 1990, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne. Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$24.00, Value \$3,200, Year 1990, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne. Property double listed in the name of Bryon F. Tedder (Heirs). Amount \$24.96, Value \$3,200, Year 1991, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne. Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$24.96, Value \$3,200, Year 1991, Account #01-43660.

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Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne.  
Property double listed in the name of Bryon F. Tedder (Heirs). Amount \$25.92, Value \$3,200, Year 1993, Account #01-43660.

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Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$25.92, Value \$3,200, Year 1993, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne.  
Property double listed in the name of Bryon F. Tedder (Heirs). Amount \$27.20, Value \$3,200, Year 1994, Account #01-43660.

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Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$27.20, Value \$3,200, Year 1994, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne.  
Property double listed in the name of Bryon F. Tedder (Heirs). Amount \$27.84, Value \$3,200, Year 1995, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J. Robert Horne.  
Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$27.84, Value \$3,200, Year 1995, Account #01-43660.

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Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$27.84, Value \$3,200, Year 1996, Account #01-43660.

Release the property value in the name of J. A. Phifer & J Robert Horne.  
Property double listed in the name of Bryon F. Tedder (Heirs). Amount \$62.80, Value \$8,000, Year 1997, Account #01-43660.

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Property double listed in the name of John G. & Joyce Worrell. Amount \$62.80, Value

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Release the property value in the name of Industrial Truck Sales & Service, Inc. No equipment located in Columbus County for 1999. Amount \$479.30, Value \$53,463, Year 1999, Account #15-19395.

Release the property value in the name of Industrial Truck Sales & Service Inc., No equipment listed in Columbus County for 1999. Amount \$52.05, Value \$6,618, Year 1999, Account #01-45537.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Johnny L. & Gloria Beatha Isaac. Home double listed in the name of Gloria & Johnny Bethea. Amount \$69.67, Value \$7,309, Year 1997, Account #13-21015.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Johnny L. & Gloria Beatha Isaac. Home double listed in the name of Gloria & Johnny Bethea. Amount \$136.09, Value \$6,790, Year 1998, Account #13-21015.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Betty C. Johnson. Home double listed in the name of Betty Johnson. Amount \$374.79, Value \$23,610, Year 1999, Account #01-05738.

Release the value of a double wide in the name of Tony & Karen Jordan.

Home double listed in the name of Derrick Anthony McCollum. Amount \$537.75, Value \$44,150, Year 1997, Account #13-22196.

Release the value of a double wide home in the name of Tony & Karen Jordan.

Home double listed in the name of Derrick Anthony McCollum. Amount \$327.21, Value \$29,700, Year 1998, Account #13-22196.

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Release a portion of the property value in the name of Daron D. Lennon. Jim

Walter home repossessed in 1993. Amount \$294.78, Value \$27,300, Year 1995, Account #14-08783.

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Release a portion of the property value in the name of Daron D. Lennon. Jim

Walter home repossessed in 1993. Amount \$378.23, Value \$35,900, Year 1997, Account #14-08783.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Daron D. Lennon. Jim

Walter home repossessed in 1993. Amount \$262.75, Value \$21,000, Year 1998, Account #14-08783.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Daron D. Lennon. Jim

Walter home repossessed in 1993. Amount \$262.75, Value \$21,000, Year 1999, Account #14-08783.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Virginia Little. Home double listed in the name of Michael Little. Amount \$116.67, Value \$2,180, Year 1999, Account #15-04223.

Release the property value in the name of Eloise Nealey. Property double listed in the same name with another parcel of land. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,200, Year 1996, Account #06-26740.

Release the property value in the name of Eloise Nealey. Property double listed in the same name with another parcel of land. Amount \$10.43, Value \$1,500, Year 1997, Account #06-26740.

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Release the property value in the name of Eloise Nealey. Property double listed in the same name with another parcel of land. Amount \$10.43, Value \$1,500, Year 1999, Account #06-26740.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Diane Powell. Home double listed in the name of Michael Wright. Amount \$111.13, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #06-01650.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Diane Powell. Home double listed in the name of Michael Wright. Amount \$110.34, Value \$1,000, Year 1998, Account #06-01650.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Diane Powell. Home double listed in the name of Michael Wright. Amount \$109.54, Value \$1,000, Year 1999, Account #06-01650.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Jeannie Mae & Matthew Robinson. Home double listed in the name of Matthew & Janie Robinson. Amount \$230.69, Value \$30,335, Year 1996, Account #04-13705.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Jeannie Mae & Matthew Robinson. Home double listed in the name of Matthew & Janie Robinson. Amount \$363.50, Value \$34,900, Year 1997, Account #04-13705.

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Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Jeannie Mae & Matthew Robinson. Home double listed in the name of Mathew & Janie Robinson. Amount \$363.50,



Value \$34,900, Year 1999, Account #04-13705.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Mathew & Janie Robinsn.

Home double listed in the name of Jeannie Mae & Matthew Robinson. Amount \$89.09,

Value \$11,800, Year 1999, Account #04-15105.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Daphne Tompkins. Home traded for a double wide and listed. Amount \$123.41, Value \$3100, Year 1999, Account #13-39632.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Mickey R. Thompkins. Boat sold three (3) years ago. Amount \$16.06, Value \$2,100, Year 1999, Account #13-05710.

Release the value of a building in the name of Frances Virginia Ward.

Building double listed in the name of Jimmy O. Mauldin. Amount \$132.90, Value \$4,043, Year 1999, Account #11-28961.

**Budget Amendments:**

Appropriate 10-399-0000 Fund Balance Appropriated (Balance of 4-H EFNEF Grant received in FY 99/00)	\$1,514
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Expend as follows:

10-603-0200 Salaries	\$1,147
10-603-0500 FICA	88
10-603-3200 Supplies-Education Materials	100
10-603-3300 Educational Materials	179

Appropriate 10-660-9999 Non-Departmental - Contingency Expend in Cooperative Extension Departmental Supplies	(\$4,500) 4,500
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Accept 10-336-1000 Cape Fear United Way Grant	\$8,000
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Expend as follows:

10-535-3301 Departmental Supplies - UWA Grant	5,000
10-535-7401 Capital Outlay - UWA Grant	3,000

Increase 10-336-0000 Columbus Co. Interagency Transportation	\$12,804
Decrease 10-348-1695 NCDOT - Interagency Transportation	(12,804)

Accept 10-348-3200 NCDOT - Rural Operating Assistance	\$76,615
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Expend as follows:

10-700-9700 EDTAP - Health Department	13,887
10-700-9701 EDTAP - Aging	14,411
10-700-9702 EDTAP - DSS	8,898
10-700-9703 Work First/Emp. Transportation	11,234

10-700-9704 EDTAP - Mental Health  
 10-700-9705 RGP Transportation Program

14,247  
 13,938

**COURTHOUSE LANDSCAPING APPROVAL**

Sarah Brooks, representing Governor James B. Hunt's North Carolina Beautification Program, and Becky High, representing the Whiteville Garden Club, presented the Board with a courthouse landscape proposal which is Phase III of the North Carolina Beautification Program for the Columbus County Courthouse area and requested the Board's approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to approve Phase III of the Beautification Program for the Courthouse area, as presented.

**RESOLUTION - COLONEL RUDOLPH B. WALTERS RECOGNITION**

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

**RESOLUTION of RECOGNITION for**

***COLONEL RUDOLPH B. WALTERS***

**WHEREAS, *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters*** has been an exemplary citizen throughout his entire life; **and**

**WHEREAS, *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters*** has served his country unselfishly as an Army Air Corps Pilot during World War II; **and**

**WHEREAS, his service in the Thirty-first (31st) Reconnaissance Squadron** provided valuable information for United States Forces' victories in the European Theater; **and**

**WHEREAS, *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters*** was presented the Silver Star and the Distinguished Flying Cross for his services; **and**

**WHEREAS, *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters*** was a core member of what is now the United States Air Force; **and**

**WHEREAS, *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters*** served and protected presidents and officials of the highest rank; **and**

**WHEREAS**, after retiring from a most illustrious and colorful career in the United States Air Force in 1968, he turned his civilian life into one of service to Columbus County as its Executive Director of the Columbus County Economic Development Commission for ten (10) years; **and**

**WHEREAS**, *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters* has served his country, his state and his county with distinction during his forty-one (41) years of professional service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that on this day August 7, 2000, the Airport Terminal at Columbus County Airport shall be known as the *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters Terminal* for all to know in honor of *Colonel Rudolph B. Walters'* achievements.

**ADOPTED** this the 7th day of August, 2000.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ **LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

**RESOLUTION - APPRECIATION TO LAKE WACCAMAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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

**RESOLUTION of APPRECIATION to**

**LAKE WACCAMAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**WHEREAS**, *Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church* and its congregation have worked diligently to help meet the needs of the unfortunate; **and**

**WHEREAS**, *Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church* has extended a helping hand to the less fortunate in time of natural disasters; **and**

**WHEREAS**, *Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church* has become a major caretaker in working with other public and private agencies to ensure that devastated families are afforded those items which are essential; **and**

**WHEREAS, *Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church*** has provided the means, in the form of **Emergency Trailers**, for supplies and essential materials for emergency shelters; **and**

**WHEREAS,** with the contribution of the **Emergency Trailer Units**, Columbus County shelters will be able to serve the victims of hurricane devastation in a more humane manner; **and**

**WHEREAS, *Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church*** is truly providing the means for humanitarian efforts in Columbus County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Columbus County Commissioners, on this August 7, 2000, does recognize and commend ***Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church*** for their contributions and efforts in providing the means for Columbus County Government to serve its citizens in time of disaster and devastation.

**ADOPTED** this the 7th day of August, 2000.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ **LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

**RESOLUTION - DESIGNATION OF COUNTY'S AGENT FOR DISASTER RELIEF FUND**

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

**DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT**

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that **Dempsey B. Herring**, County Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute for and in behalf of Columbus County, a public entity established under the laws of the State of North Carolina, this application to file in the appropriate State office for the purpose of obtaining

certain Federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act (Public Law 288, 93rd Congress) or otherwise available from the President's Disaster Relief Fund.

**THAT** Columbus County, a public entity established under the laws of the State of North Carolina, hereby authorizes its agent to provide to the State and to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for all matters pertaining to such Federal disaster assistance the assurances and agreements printed on the reverse side hereof.

Passed and approved this 7th day of August, 2000.

Lynwood Norris, Chairman

Spruell R. Britt, Vice Chairman

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Ida L. Smith, duly appointed and Clerk to the Board of the Columbus County Commissioners do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County on the 7th of August 2000.

Date: 8-7-2000

Clerk to the Board

/s/ Ida L. Smith

### **ORDINANCE (CAPITAL PROJECT) - WATER & SEWER DISTRICT II**

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

### **COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT II**

### **CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

**ADOPTION DATE: August 7, 2000**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 159-13.2 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance is **HEREBY ADOPTED**:

**SECTION 1.** The project authorized is the Columbus County Water & Sewer District II.

**SECTION 2.** The project director is hereby directed to proceed with the construction of the project within the terms of the grant agreement with USDA, Rural

Development and in accordance with the limitations of the Bond Anticipation Notes and Revenue Bonds.

**SECTION 3.** The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the County to complete the project:

63-348-2000 USDA, Rural Development Grant	\$ 1,647,000
63-385-0000 General Obligation Bonds	6,500,000
63-385-0100 Revenue Bonds	845,000
63-397-0000 Transfer from Water District II	<u>88,000</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 9,080,000</b>

**SECTION 4.** The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

63-690-0400 Professional Services	\$ 35,000
63-690-0401 Engineering/Architect Fees	548,200
63-690-7100 Land/Right-of-way	10,000
63-690-7300 Construction	7,740,028
63-690-7400 Equipment	65,000
63-690-8200 Capitalized Interest	488,000
63-690-9999 Contingency	<u>193,772</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 9,080,000</b>

**SECTION 5.** The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly on the financial status of this project. She shall also keep the Governing Body informed at each regular meeting of any unusual occurrences.

**SECTION 6.** Copies of the Capital Project Ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for directions in carrying out the project.

**ADOPTED** this 7th day of August.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.**

**ATTESTED BY:** /s/ **Lynwood Norris, Chairman**

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

**FINANCE - DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner

McKenzie and passed unanimously to give permission to Gayle B. Godwin, Finance Officer, to destroy the following records in accordance with the Records Retention and Distribution Schedule, published by the North Carolina Division of Archives and History.

**FISCAL YEAR 1995-1996**

**Bank Statements:**

General Fund  
HUD  
Payroll

**Expense Check Copies:**

General Fund  
HUD  
Payroll

**Supporting Data for Expense Checks:**

General Fund  
HUD

**Deposits:**

Register of Deeds  
Library  
Finance  
Department of Aging  
Tax Office  
Health Department  
Sheriff's Department

**Supporting Data for Deposits**

**Supporting Data for Journal Entries**

**NCCMT Statements**

**Receipt Books**

**APPOINTMENTS - COLUMBUS COUNTY HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to reappoint the following persons to serve on the Columbus County Housing Advisory Committee, with terms expiring June 30, 2002.

Judy Ward to represent the Department of Aging;

Haynes Graham to represent District III; and

Mary B. Thompson to represent the Department of Social Services.

**FIRE AND RESCUE (ADR) - REQUEST FOR EMS DISTRICT FOR RANSOM TOWNSHIP**

Steve Camlin, Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Chief, addressed the Board regarding holding a Public Hearing for Ransom Township to consider a two (\$.02) cents tax levy on \$100.00 valuation to allow the Rescue Department to advance to the EMT Intermediate level. This would allow certified members to start intravenous lines and administer some medications and would allow the department to hire paramedics who would be able to administer far more medications and perform more advanced life-saving procedures.

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, stated numerous people have been asking for better emergency services and a county wide referendum would provide better and equal services to people throughout the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to include the county wide tax issue to help provide paramedic care for rescue squads on the Columbus County General Election Ballot which is scheduled for November 7, 2000 to allow voters to decide on a three (\$.03) cents per \$100.00 in taxable property which will generate approximately \$650,000.00 annually. Also, if the voters approve the three (\$.03) cents tax, a new rescue commission (which will involve the Rescue Districts) will be created to determine the funding for each department, equipment and coordination of staff.

**FIRE AND RESCUE (CLARKTON) - REQUEST FOR FUNDING TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT**

Russell "Rusty" Worley, Clarkton Fire Chief, stated they have been providing rescue services across the Columbus County line and requested to be funded for services rendered.

Commissioner Jacobs responded that Buckhead Rescue provides rescue services across the Bladen County line and are not funded.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to take the request under advisement and directed Dempsey B.



Herring, County Administrator, to meet with the Rescue District and Bladen County officials regarding this issue and provide the information to Board for their consideration.

**CCAVE - UPDATE ON VOLUNTEER CENTER**

Ms. Annie Hayes, Interim Director for the Columbus County Association for Volunteer Experiences, updated the Board on the Columbus County Association for Volunteer Experiences and stated they will be functional by October 1, 2000.

**DETENTION CENTER AND KITCHEN FACILITY (JAIL) - FINANCING REPORT AND PERMISSION TO MOVE FORWARD**

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, reported on the Detention Center (Jail) and Kitchen Facility financing stating Rural Development (FHA) is providing \$2,000,000 in a loan for forty (40) years and we have to secure an additional \$3,500,000 in basic financing which will probably be a General Obligation Bond.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to direct Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, to move forward in securing financing for the Detention Center (Jail) and Kitchen Facility.

**CABLEVISION (BENCHMARK) - NO ACTION TAKEN ON PROPOSED CHANGE OF CONTROL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to take no action on Benchmark's proposed change of control of Cable Television Franchise for Columbus County as a result of a Stock Purchase Agreement from Benchmark Media, Incorporated and Adelphia Communications.

**CONTRACT - ARCHITECTS FOR DETENTION CENTER**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to approve the Agreement between Columbus County and the Architect, Freeman White, Incorporated, for the Columbus County Detention Center Addition and Renovations contingent upon James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney's review and approval.

**WATER & SEWER DISTRICT III - RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A BOND REFERENDUM APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to approve the following documents regarding a Bond Referendum for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III.

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 III, in Columbus County, North Carolina, was held at 8:00 A.M., on August 7, 2000, in the Commissioners' Chambers on the Second Floor of the Columbus County Courthouse Annex at 112 West Smith Street, in Whiteville, North Carolina.

Present: Chairman Lynwood Norris, presiding and Commissioners Spruell R. Britt, David L. Dutton, Jr., Sammie Jacobs, Amon E. McKenzie and C.E. Wilson.

Absent: Commissioner A. Dial Gray, III

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At 8:00 A.M. the Chairman announced that this was the hour, date and place fixed by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the governing body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, in Columbus County, North Carolina, for the public hearing upon the order entitled: "**ORDER AUTHORIZING \$6,571,000 WATER BONDS**" and that the Board of Commissioners should immediately hear anyone who might wish to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds.

No one appeared, either in person or by attorney, to be heard on the question of the validity of said order or the advisability of issuing said bonds and the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners announced that no written statement relating to said questions had been received.

Thereupon, upon motion of Commissioner C.E. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Spruell R. Britt and carried, the order introduced and passed on first reading on July 10, 2000 entitled: "**ORDER AUTHORIZING \$6,571,000 WATER BONDS**" was read a second time by title and placed upon its final passage. The vote upon the final passage of said order was:

Ayes: Commissioners Norris, Britt, Dutton, Jacobs, McKenzie and

Wilson.

**Noes:** None.

The Chairman then announced that the order entitled: "ORDER AUTHORIZING \$6,571,000 WATER BONDS" had been adopted.

The Clerk to the Board of Commissioners was thereupon directed to publish said order, together with the appended statement as required by The Local Government Bond Act, as amended, once in The News-Reporter.

Thereupon Commissioner C.E. Wilson introduced the following resolution, a copy of which had been made available to each Commissioner and which was read by title:

**RESOLUTION CALLING A SPECIAL  
BOND REFERENDUM**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, as the governing body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, in Columbus County, North Carolina.

**Section 1.** A special bond referendum is hereby called to be held between 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M., on Tuesday, October 3, 2000, at which there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III the question stated in the notice of special bond referendum set forth in Section 3 of this resolution.

**Section 2.** For said referendum, (I) the regular registration books for elections in Columbus County shall be used and the registration books, process or records shall be open for the registration of qualified persons and for public inspection in the manner, under the conditions and at the times and places as provided in said notice set forth in Section 3 of this resolution, (ii) the chief judges, judges and other officers of election appointed by the Columbus County Board of Elections for the precincts and voting places in said District shall be the election officers for such precincts and voting places and (iii) the precincts and voting places for said referendum shall be those fixed by the Columbus County Board of Elections as provided in said notice set forth in Section 3 of this resolution, subject to change as provided by law. The Columbus County Board of Elections is hereby requested to conduct said referendum and to take all necessary steps to that end in accordance with the provisions

of this section.

**Section 3.** The Clerk to the Board of Commissioners shall cause a notice to be published in The News Reporter once at least fourteen days before September 8, 2000 (being the last day on which persons may register for said referendum except as otherwise provided in said notice set forth in Section 3 of this resolution) and once again not less than seven days before said day, such notice to read substantially as follows:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM  
IN THE  
COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT III,  
IN COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

A special bond referendum will be held throughout the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, in Columbus County, North Carolina, between 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M., on Tuesday, October 3, 2000 at which there will be submitted to the qualified voters of said District the following question:

Shall the order adopted on August 7, 2000, authorizing not exceeding \$6,571,000 Water Bonds of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, in Columbus County, North Carolina, 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, an elevated water storage tank, water mains and lines and appurtenant facilities, and the acquisition of necessary land, rights of way and equipment, and authorizing the levy of taxes in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on said bonds, be approved?

The question hereinabove set forth contains a statement of the purpose for which the bonds are authorized by the order referred to such question.

If said bonds are issued, taxes in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest thereof will be levied upon all taxable property in said District.

For said referendum the regular registration books for elections in the County of Columbus will be used and the registration books, process or records will continue to be open for the acceptance of registration applications and the registration of qualified persons from 8:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. on Monday to Friday, inclusive, of each week at the office

of the Columbus County Board of Elections, 715 North Legion Drive, Suite A, in Whiteville, North Carolina.

For said referendum registration applications will be accepted and qualified persons may register also at each of the Columbus county public libraries during their respective regular business hours.

In addition, registration applications will be accepted and qualified persons may register at any Drivers License Examining Station located in the State of North Carolina (the "State") during normal business hours when applying for, renewing or correcting driver licenses.

Moreover, registration applications will be accepted and qualified persons may register at every office in the State which accepts claims for benefits under the Employment Security Law or applications for a program of public assistance under Article 2 of Chapter 108A or Article 13 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes of North Carolina and at every office in the State designated by the State Board of Elections which accepts applications for State-funded State or local government programs primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities. Such programs include Medicaid, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Food Stamps, Women, Infants and Children and programs of the Division of Mental Health and the Division of Services for the Blind.

Qualified persons may also register by mail and otherwise as provided in Article 7A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Furthermore, certain persons in the armed forces and their spouses, certain veterans, certain civilians working with the armed forces, and members of the Peace Corps may register by mail at any time prior to said referendum in the manner provided in Article 21 of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and in person at any time, including the day of said referendum.

The last day for new registration of those not now registered under Columbus County's permanent registration system and who wish to register for said referendum is Friday, September 8, 2000, except as otherwise provided in Article 7A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

The last day on which registered voters who have changed residence may notify the Columbus County Board of Elections of their changes of address in order to be registered for said referendum is Friday, September 8, 2000, except as otherwise provided in Article 7A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Any qualified voter of said District who is qualified to vote by absentee ballot in said special bond referendum may apply to the Columbus County Board of Elections for an absentee ballot. Any qualified voter who is qualified to vote by military absentee ballot pursuant to Section 163-245 of the General Statutes of North Carolina may also apply for an absentee ballot as provided by Section 163-247 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Persons who are not certain whether they are registered to vote or qualified to vote or who desire further information concerning the registration process or said referendum should contact the Columbus County Board of Elections at the office of said Board mentioned above, telephone number (910) 640-6609.

The registration books for elections in Columbus County will be open to inspection by any registered voter of said District during the normal business hours of the Columbus County Board of Elections on the days when the office of said Board is open, and such days are challenge days.

The chief judges, judges and other officers of election appointed by the Columbus County Board of Elections will serve as the election officers for said referendum.

The Columbus County Board of Elections will conduct said referendum.

The precincts and voting places for said referendum, subject to change as provided by law, are as follows:

<b>PRECINCT</b>	<b>VOTING PLACE</b>
Western Prong	Western Prong Club House at 185 Wootens Road (Road 1545)
North Whiteville	North Whiteville Community Center at 1505 Peacock Road (Road 1005)
West Whiteville	American Legion Post #137 at 703 North Legion Drive

Robert E. Sessions  
 Chairman of the Columbus County Board of Elections  
 North Carolina

Ida L. Smith  
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the  
County of Columbus, North Carolina

**Section 4.** The form of the question to appear in the ballots and in the instructions to voters for said referendum shall be substantially as follows:

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Shall the order adopted on August 7, 2000, authorizing not exceeding \$6,571,000 Water Bonds of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, in Columbus County, North Carolina, 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, an elevated water storage tank, water mains and lines and appurtenant facilities, and the acquisition of necessary land, rights of way and equipment, and authorizing the levy of taxes in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and the interest on said bonds, be approved?

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**Section 5.** The Clerk to the Board of Commissioners is hereby directed to mail or deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Columbus County Board of Elections within three days after the adoption hereof.

**Section 6.** This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Thereupon, upon motion of Commissioner C.E. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Spruell R. Britt, the foregoing resolution entitled: "RESOLUTION CALLING A SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM" was passed by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Commissioners Norris, Britt, Dutton, Jacobs, McKenzie and Wilson.

**Noes:** None.

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I, Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of said Board, as the governing body of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, in Columbus County, North Carolina, at a regular meeting held on August 7, 2000, as relates in any way to the holding of a public hearing upon an order authorizing the issuance of bonds of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III as described in such proceedings, the adoption of said order and the calling of a special bond

referendum and that said proceedings are recorded in Minute Book No. 25 of the minutes of said Board, beginning at page \_\_\_\_ and ending at page \_\_\_\_.

I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that I mailed or delivered a certified copy of the resolution passed by said Board on August 7, 2000 entitled: "RESOLUTION CALLING A SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM" to the Columbus County Board of Elections on or before the third day following the passage of said resolution.

I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that a schedule of regular meetings of said Board, stating that regular meetings of said Board are held in the Commissioners' Chambers on the Second Floor of the Columbus County Courthouse Annex at 112 West Smith 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 in my office as of a date not less than seven 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 7th day of August 2000.

/s/ Ida L. Smith

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

**WHITEVILLE - REPORTS BAN ON CRUISING**

David Singletary, representing concerned citizens, reported a fifty (50) member committee has been formed who are against the "Ban on Cruising" law that has been placed in force in Whiteville and requested the Board of Commissioners to consider the issue.

Chairman Norris reported the Board will take Mr. Singletary's request under advisement.

**BOLTON (TOWN OF) - MAYOR FRANK WILSON REGARDING ANIMAL CONTROL**

Frank Wilson, Bolton Mayor, reported the Columbus County Animal Control is not servicing Bolton as an ordinance has been issued to stop serving municipalities. Mayor Wilson requested the Board to rescind the order and continue serving the five (5) smallest municipalities within Columbus County.

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, reported that no such order has been issued from Columbus County Government.



**BOLTON (TOWN OF) - REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR THE COMMUNITY-CAMPUS COLLABORATIVE HEALTH PROMOTION INITIATIVE PROGRAM**

Frank Wilson, Bolton Mayor, reported the Town of Bolton had requested by letter on April 27, 2000, the Board of Commissioners to fund \$10,000.00 to continue providing a "Community-Campus Health Promotion Initiative" with UNCW School of Nursing for clinical prevention services to the citizens of the Town of Bolton and surrounding communities and Bolton has not been notified if any action was taken on this request.

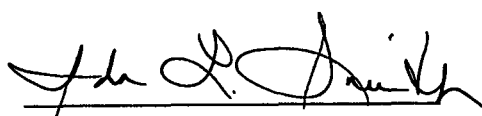
Mayor Wilson summarized the services provided through the Community Campus Health Promotion Initiative and will partner with the Columbus County Health Department.

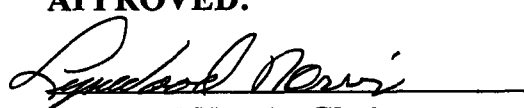
Marian Duncan, Health Director, and Hilda Memory, Nursing Director, reported there seems to be breakdown of communications between UNCW School of Nursing and the Health Department as UNCW School of Nursing is requesting \$8,000.00 for program development, nurse practitioner and physician supervision, research and administration support, and dissemination of findings at state or national level. Ms. Memory reported the Health Promotion Grant received from the state is already providing these services through the Columbus County Health Department. Ms. Memory suggested if we have additional monies to spend, she would like to see the money spent in equipment for Bolton and not for repetitive services.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously for the Columbus County Health Department, Town of Bolton and the UNCW School of Nursing to schedule a meeting for the purpose of resolving the issue.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to adjourn the Board Meeting at 9:15 A.M.

  
Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**APPROVED:**  
  
Lynwood Norris, Chairman

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On August 8, 2000, the Board of County Commissioners was polled by Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board, regarding the approval of Resolutions approving the filing of an application with the Local Government Commission for Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts IV and V as we have a deadline to meet by August 18, 2000, in order to include these on the November 7, 2000 General Election Ballot. The Board of Commissioners unanimously concurred to approve the following Resolutions to be an addendum to the Minutes of the August 7, 2000 Board Meeting.

**A RESOLUTION Approving the Filing of an Application with the Local Government Commission, Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to File an Application and Finding a Need for the Project to be Financed by the Issuance by Columbus County, North Carolina, for General Obligation Bonds Consisting of \$5,142,000.00 for the Purpose of Creating and Developing Columbus County**

**WATER and SEWER DISTRICT IV**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Columbus has reviewed in detail the proposed project to be financed with General Obligation Bonds and the facts show that the amount of the proposed bonds is adequate but not excessive for the proposed project; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the matters relating to the Debt Management Policy and the Budgetary and Fiscal Management Policies of the County and the Estimated Debt Service payment requirements will be satisfied by resulting payments from the user fee requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners as follows:

- A. Creation of Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV providing treated water opportunities for the district to be financed by general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed five million one hundred forty-two thousand and 00/100 (\$5,142,000.00) dollars is determined to be necessary and expedient.
- B. The amount of the proposed bond issue is found to be adequate and not excessive for its purpose.
- C. The Debt Management Policies of Columbus County are in strict compliance with applicable law.

- D. The Budgetary and Fiscal Management of the County are in strict compliance with applicable law.
- E. The filing of an application with Local Government Commission for approval of the proposed bonds is hereby approved and confirmed and the County Administrator is designated to serve as the representative of the County in connection with the application for approval of the bonds with the Local Government Commission and is authorized to cause a Notice of Intent to file the application to be published.
- F. The County Attorney is hereby authorized to employ bond counsel to represent the County in the authorization of issuance of such bonds.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**/s/ LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

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**A RESOLUTION Approving the Filing of an Application with the Local Government Commission, Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to File an Application and Finding a Need for the Project to be Financed by the Issuance by Columbus County, North Carolina, for General Obligation Bonds Consisting of \$5,705,000.00 for the Purpose of Creating and Developing Columbus County**

**WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Columbus has reviewed in detail the proposed project to be financed with General Obligation Bonds and the facts show that the amount of the proposed bonds is adequate but not excessive for the proposed project; and

**WHEREAS**, the matters relating to the Debt Management Policy and the Budgetary and Fiscal Management Policies of the County and the Estimated Debt Service payment requirements will be satisfied by resulting payments from the user fee requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners as follows:

- A. Creation of Columbus County Water and Sewer District V providing treated water opportunities for the district to be financed by general obligation bonds in an amount

not to exceed five million seven hundred five thousand and 00/100 (\$5,705,000.00) dollars is determined to be necessary and expedient.

- B. The amount of the proposed bond issue is found to be adequate and not excessive for its purpose.
- C. The Debt Management Policies of Columbus County are in strict compliance with applicable law.
- D. The Budgetary and Fiscal Management of the County are in strict compliance with applicable law.
- E. The filing of an application with Local Government Commission for approval of the proposed bonds is hereby approved and confirmed and the County Administrator is designated to serve as the representative of the County in connection with the application for approval of the bonds with the Local Government Commission and is authorized to cause a Notice of Intent to file the application to be published.
- F. The County Attorney is hereby authorized to employ bond counsel to represent the County in the authorization of issuance of such bonds.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**LYNWOOD NORRIS, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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