

**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 7:00 P.M., June 26, 2001 to resume a Board Meeting that was recessed on June 18, 2001.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Spruell R. Britt, Chairman

Sammie Jacobs, Vice Chairman

David L. Dutton, Jr.

Amon E. McKenzie

Bill Memory

Lynwood Norris

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney

John E. Whitehurst  
Interim County Administrator

Ida L. Smith  
Clerk to Board

**BOARD MEETING RESUMED**

Chairman Britt called the Board Meeting back to order and Commissioner McKenzie gave the invocation.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS APPROVED**

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments.

Increase	12-348-0200 Aging CP&L Distribution	\$	324
Expend	12-615-3300 Repair Supplies		324
Increase	10-335-1000 Aviation Fuel Sales	\$	33,100
Expend as follows:			
	10-650-3700 Sales Tax-Airport Fuel	\$	900

	10-650-6000 Aviation Fuel Purchases	\$	32,200
Increase	10-335-0400 Misc. Revenue-Coop. Extension	\$	1,000
Expend	10-605-5703 Special Programs-Coop. Extension	\$	1,000

Increase Fire and Rescue District taxes collected in excess of budgeted amount as follows:

37-310-0000 Evergreen	\$	1,000
38-310-0000 St. James	\$	750
39-310-0000 North Whiteville	\$	1,800
41-310-0000 Old Dock	\$	1,300
42-310-0000 Hallsboro	\$	1,800
43-310-0000 Roseland	\$	1,800
44-310-0000 Yam City	\$	3,400
45-310-0000 Acme Delco	\$	2,300
46-310-0000 Klondyke	\$	300
48-310-0000 Cerro Gordo	\$	1,700
49-310-0000 Williams	\$	2,000
51-310-0000 White Marsh/Welches Creek	\$	500
52-310-0000 Whiteville Rescue	\$	4,540
56-310-0000 Brunswick	\$	2,700

Expend as follows:

37-700-9200 Evergreen	\$	1,000
38-700-9200 St. James	\$	750
39-700-9200 North Whiteville	\$	1,800
41-700-9200 Old Dock	\$	1,300
42-700-9200 Hallsboro	\$	1,800
42-700-9200 Roseland	\$	1,800
44-700-9200 Yam City	\$	3,400
45-700-9200 Acme Delco	\$	2,300
46-700-9200 Klondyke	\$	300
48-700-9200 Cerro Gordo	\$	1,700
49-700-9200 Williams	\$	2,000
51-700-9200 White Marsh/Welches Creek	\$	500
52-700-9200 Whiteville Rescue	\$	4,540
56-700-9200 Brunswick	\$	2,700

Transfer	10-660-5400 Workers Comp Insurance	(\$	115,000)
Expend	10-410-5400 Workers Comp Insurance	\$	115,000

Appropriate	10-399-0000 Fund Balance	\$	330,000
Transfer	10-900-4000 Public Assistance	\$	330,000
Contribute	40-397-0000 General Fund	\$	330,000
Expend	40-612-1300 Medicaid Drafts	\$	330,000

Appropriate	10-399-0000 Fund Balance	\$	375,000
Transfer	10-900-3000 Internal Service Fund	\$	375,000
Contribute	30-397-0000 General Fund	\$	375,000
Expend	30-725-5400 Health Insurance Claim Liability	\$	375,000

Increase	10-348-0002 NC-CCPS EWP Program	\$	94,815
Expend	10-606-6300 Emergency Watershed Program	\$	94,815

Adjust the Columbus County Water District I Line Items as follows:

Increase	32-329-0000 Interest	\$	1,850
Increase	32-335-0000 Miscellaneous	\$	2,570
Increase	32-359-0000 Water Sales	\$	13,838
Increase	32-359-0100 Tap Fees	\$	1,900
Increase	32-359-0400 Reconnect Fees	\$	540
Decrease	32-397-0000 Transfer from General Fund	(\$	12,134)
Expend	32-690-0400 Professional Services	\$	4,000
Expend	32-690-1101 Postage	\$	600
Expend	32-690-1600 Service Installations	\$	3,964
Increase	33-340-0000 Water District II Signup Fees	\$	1,000
Expend	33-680-1300 Utilities	\$	500
Expend	33-680-2600 Advertising	\$	500

### **ADAMS COMPANY - APPROVAL OF CHAF R-2 REPLACEMENTS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to approve the 2000 Columbus County CHAF R-2 Replacements as requested by Floyd Adams, representing the Adams Company, as follows:

Unit No.	Owner	Cost	Unit Type
00-79	Levy Etheridge 1395 Crusoe Island Road Whiteville, NC 28472	\$138,165	Modular
00-70	Mary Clewis 1512 Crusoe Island Road Whiteville, NC 28472	\$84,271	Modular

### **FINANCE - DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS**

Gayle Godwin, Finance Officer, requested the Board to approve the destruction of cancelled bonds, notes and coupons in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes §159-139.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to allow the Finance Officer to destroy cancelled bonds, notes and coupons in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes §159-139, Method 1 as follows: The records shall be destroyed by burning in the presence of the Chairman of the Board, Finance Officer, County Attorney and Clerk to the Board.

### **CHADBOURN ABC BOARD REQUEST**

Larry Grimley, Chadbourn ABC Store Manager, requested the Board adopt a Resolution, the same as adopted by the Town of Chadbourn, to waive its share of revenues from the Chadbourn ABC Store and allow the ABC Board to retain the profits consistent

with the North General Statutes 18B-805 due to relocation.

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to table the request until a financial plan can be presented for the Board to review.

**SCHOOLS (COLUMBUS COUNTY) - REQUEST FOR BOARD TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution that was adopted by the Columbus County Board of Education requesting the Board to allow the transfer of \$230,807 from Capital Outlay to Current Expense for Fiscal Year 2000-2001.

**RESOLUTION**

June 4, 2001

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Schools prepared and submitted its original 2000-2001 budget based on information provided by federal, state, and local agencies/entities; and

**WHEREAS**, the final Columbus County Schools' operating budget was planned with the appropriation as approved by the Columbus County Commissioners, effective July 1, 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, neither the Board of Commissioners nor the Board of Education anticipated the severe cuts made by the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners had to reduce the original appropriation to the Columbus County Schools by 5% (\$230,807) to meet the reduction in funding by the State of North Carolina;

**WHEREAS**, expenditures and personnel contracts were issued based on the July 1, 2000, appropriations by the Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the increased costs of electricity and fuel have depleted all excess funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Board of Education has already budgeted a portion of the required fund balance to meet its current 2000-2001 budget; and

**WHEREAS**, GS 115C-433(d) states that "the board of education may amend the

budget to transfer money to or from the capital outlay fund to or from any other fund, with the approval of the board of county commissioners, to meet emergencies unforeseen and unforeseeable at the time the budget resolution was adopted. When such an emergency arises, the board of education may adopt a resolution requesting approval from the board of commissioners for the transfer of a specified amount of money to or from the capital outlay fund to or from some other fund;" and

**WHEREAS**, these financial and budgetary issues were "unforeseeable" to both the Columbus County Board of Commissioners and the Columbus County Board of Education:

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Columbus County Board of Education respectfully requests permission to transfer \$230,807 from our capital outlay fund to our current expense fund for FY 2000-2001.

/s/ Ricky Bullard, Chairman  
 /s/ Dale Ward, Vice Chairman  
 /s/ Junior Dew, Member  
 /s/ Bill Johnson, Member  
 /s/ Raymond Shaw, Member  
 /s/ Thomas A. Nance, Secretary

**2001-2002 OPERATING BUDGET ADOPTED**

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie and seconded by Commissioner Jacobs adopt the 2001-2002 Operating Budget as presented with the changes as directed in the Budget Meeting.

An amended motion was made by Commissioner Dutton and seconded by Commissioner Memory to adopt an Interim Budget for 30 to 60 days to see what funding we will be receiving from the State.

Voting on the amended motion:

Ayes: Commissioners Memory, Wilson and Dutton.

Noes: Commissioners McKenzie, Jacobs, Norris and Britt.

Voting on the original motion:

Ayes: Commissioners McKenzie, Jacobs, Norris and Britt.

Noes: Commissioners Memory, Wilson and Dutton.

The 2001-2002 Columbus County Operating Budget was adopted as follows:

**BUDGET ORDINANCE 2001-2002****COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina.

**SECTION 1: BUDGET ADOPTION 2001-2002**

There is hereby adopted the following Operating Budget for the County of Columbus for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002; the same being adopted by fund and activity within each fund as listed:

**GENERAL FUND****REVENUES:**

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Current Year Ad Valorem Taxes	\$17,840,000
Prior Year Ad Valorem Taxes	\$1,300,000
Discounts	-\$150,000
Refunds	-\$6,000
Releases	-\$100,000
Penalty and Interest	\$180,000
Privilege License	\$3,500
Excise Tax - RD	\$110,000
Marriage License	\$14,000
Interest on Investments	\$650,000
Rent	\$62,360
Miscellaneous - General Fund	\$219,248
General - Local Fees	\$1,170
Miscellaneous Revenue - Library	\$43,000
Elections	\$27,667
Miscellaneous - Cooperative Extension	\$6,000
Miscellaneous - Airport Rent; Tie Downs	\$6,000
Airport - Aviation Fuel Sales	\$55,300
Columbus County Interagency Transportation	\$20,504
Recreation Reimbursement - Chadbourn	\$12,414
Recreation Reimbursement - Tabor City	\$14,334
Intangible Taxes	\$400,000
Local 1 Cent Sales Tax	\$2,660,000
½ Cent Sales Tax	\$1,280,000
Second ½ Cent Sales Tax	\$725,000
½ Cent Sales Tax - County Schools	\$393,000
Second ½ Cent Sales Tax - County Schools	\$780,000

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
½ Cent Sales Tax - City Schools	\$151,000
Second ½ Cent Sales Tax - City Schools	\$300,400
CSC Fines & Forfeitures	\$200,000
ABC Profit Distributions	\$30,000
5 Cent ABC Tax	\$14,000
NC - CCPS State Aid - Emergency	\$11,079
State Aid - Veteran Services of America	\$2,000
State Aid - Soil Conservation	\$23,480
Criminal Justice Program	\$57,065
State Aid - DWI	\$5,000
Food and Lodging - State Grant	\$750
General - State Grant	\$43,450
General - Medicaid	\$8,826
Wise Woman State Grant	\$20,328
Family Planning - Medicaid	\$62,500
Family Planning Grant	\$90,341
Immunization Action Plan	\$18,559
Maternal Health Grant	\$119,031
Child Health State	\$66,826
Immunization - School Site	\$5,000
Child Services Coordinator	\$46,415
Child Services Coordinator - Medicaid	\$125,000
Child Health - Medicaid	\$68,000
Home Health - State	\$36,300
Home Health - Medicaid	\$747,239
Home Health - Medicare	\$1,993,400
Home Health - Local	\$174,055
Migrant Dental Health	\$15,500
Health Promotion	\$82,287
Comp Breast Screening - State	\$53,726
Adult Health - Med XIX	\$9,000
Childrens Spec Health - Medicaid	\$3,790
Childrens Spec Health - State	\$10,704
Maternal Health Medicaid	\$290,622
WIC - Outreach Funds	\$278,710
Dental - Medicaid Reimbursement	\$316,824
Comm Disease - State	\$48,097

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Comm Disease - Medicaid	\$5,532
Tuberculosis - State	\$1,700
Environmental Health	\$6,000
Aid to Social Services Administration	\$278,310
10.561 Food Stamp Administration	\$355,101
93.558 Work First Block Grant	\$159,734
93.563 IV-D	\$401,630
93.568 Energy Administration	\$53,074
93.568 Crisis Intervention	\$19,116
93.596 Child Care Dev-Adm	\$71,767
93.645 Permanency Planning	\$44,663
93.658 IV-E Administration	\$550,104
93.667 Social Services Block Grant	\$352,740
93.674 Independent Living	\$23,900
93.767 N.C. Healthchoice	\$41,910
93.778 Medicaid Administration	\$797,951
CP&L Energy	\$8,150
Non IVE Adoption/Foster Care	\$1,773
NCDOT Work First/Employee Transportation	\$11,000
NCDOT - Interagency Transportation	\$150,291
State Aid to DSS Administration	\$77,481
Food Stamp Fraud Recovery	\$1,739
State Aid - Foster Care IVE	\$108,745
State Aid - Foster Care - State	\$39,000
Day Care	\$1,780,544
Incentive & IVD	\$97,408
NC Partnership for Children	\$45,000
Emergency Food Administration	\$5,500
CCAIVE-DHHS-Div Aging	\$21,500
State Aid - Library	\$150,618
Concealed Weapon Fees	\$3,500
Arrest Fees	\$54,150
Facilities Fees	\$100,000
Childrens Spec Health Serv - FE	\$565
Dental - Donations/Ins. Payment	\$40,000
Environmental Health Fees	\$40,000
Migrant Dental - Local	\$1,100



ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Family Planning Fees	\$10,000
Health Promotion Fees	\$50,000
Child Health Fees	\$3,000
Comm Disease - Local	\$1,600
Health Assessment - Smart Start	\$50,600
Health Check Coord.-Smart Start	\$47,675
Maternal Health - Local	\$2,000
Building Permits	\$150,000
Fire Inspection Fees	\$15,000
Register of Deeds' Fees	\$135,000
Sheriff's Department Commission	\$2,200
Jail Fees - Clerk of Court	\$65,000
Animal Control Fines/Fees	\$10,000
Cable Franchise Fees	\$35,000
Occupancy Tax	\$83,164
Tax - Rental Vehicles	\$5,000
Inventory Tax	\$1,180,000
Senior Citizen Tax Exemption	\$80,000
Sales Tax (Food Stamp Loss)	\$73,000
Gasoline Tax Refund	\$20,000
5% Commission on Tax Coll-Riegelwood	\$2,300
1 ½ Coll Fee - Towns Vehicle	\$4,300
Transfer from Aging	\$256,250
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$1,014,663

**TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE: \$ 41,273,849**

**EXPENDITURES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Governing Body	\$208,160
County Administration	\$203,445
Personnel	\$40,220
Elections	\$244,200
Finance	\$240,386
Tax Administration	\$673,303
Professional Services	\$90,950
Register of Deeds	\$381,499

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Economic Development	\$249,114
Travel and Tourism	\$79,255
Courthouse and Grounds	\$150,647
Judges Chambers	\$4,580
Social Services Building	\$373,563
Administration Building/Grounds	\$30,765
Senior Center Building	\$23,455
Miller Building	\$283,089
Public Buildings - All Others	\$338,901
Farm Services Building	\$194,261
Sheriffs Department	\$2,577,835
District Court	\$16,817
CJPP Grant	\$57,894
Law Enforcement Center	\$1,434,000
Fire Marshal	\$89,572
Emergency Services	\$747,835
Inspections	\$138,321
Wise Woman	\$20,328
Environmental Health	\$318,600
Health Assessment - Smart Start	\$50,602
Immunization Action 93.26	\$23,561
Comp Breast Screening	\$53,726
Comm Disease - AIDS & T B	\$80,009
Child Care Health Consultant	\$47,675
Health Promotion	\$141,289
Child Services Coordination	\$171,418
Child Health Care	\$137,828
Cooperative Health	\$668,154
Family Planning	\$162,843
Maternal Health	\$411,656
Home Health	\$2,950,994
Migrant Dental Health	\$15,500
Mobile Dental Van Grant	\$357,924
Childrens Special Health Service	\$15,061
WIC	\$278,713
Animal Control	\$135,602
Coroner & Medical Examiner	\$49,435

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Cooperative Extension	\$335,149
Soil Conservation	\$117,369
Veterans Services Officer	\$82,702
Social Services Administration	\$5,061,237
Public Assistance Program	\$7,825,710
CCAIVE Grant - Governors Office	23,000
Interagency Transportation Grant #9918	\$215,795
Recreation	\$400,185
Library	\$939,914
Airport	\$108,314
Non-Departmental	\$518,806
Education	\$7,864,629
Special Appropriations	\$693,551
Miscellaneous	\$5,500
Interfund Transfers	\$2,119,003

**TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: \$ 41,273,849**

**LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND  
REVENUE:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
LLEBG-US Department of Justice	\$39,961
Transfer from Special Alcohol Fund	3,996
<b>TOTAL LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND:</b>	<b>\$43,957</b>

**EXPENDITURES: \$43,957**

**AGING FUND**

**REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Miscellaneous	\$373,428
Donations	\$19,565
Federal Grant	\$461,670
Long-Term Screening	\$1,485,943
Personal Care	\$1,850,018
Title III-B	\$125,883
County Appropriations	\$55,018
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$256,250
<b>TOTAL AGING FUND:</b>	<b>\$4,627,775</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Personal Care Services	\$1,561,165
Bug Hill Senior Center	\$42,270
Chore Title IIIB; Title XX	\$530,450
Community Alternative Program	\$1,755,580
Information/Case Assistance	\$128,675
Tabor City Senior Center	\$45,340
Whiteville Senior Center	\$43,660
Nutrition	\$225,920
Minor Home Repairs	\$11,400
Transportation	\$63,865
Home Delivered Meals	\$139,145
Fair Bluff Senior Center	\$41,210
East Columbus Senior Center	\$39,095
<b>TOTAL AGING FUND:</b>	<b>\$4,627,775</b>

**DEBT SERVICE FUND**

**REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Contribution - School Building Capital Funds	\$518,037
Contribution - Hospital	\$983,062
Contribution - Schools ½ Cent Sales Tax	\$774,400
Contribution - General Fund	\$869,585
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND:</b>	<b>\$3,145,084</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Debt Service Fund:

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,145,084</b>
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**INTERNAL SERVICE FUND**

**REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Employee Medical Insurance Expense	\$400,000
<b>TOTAL INTERNAL SERVICES</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Internal Service Fund:

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>
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**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT I****REVENUES:**

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Refunds	\$500-
Interest Earned	\$2,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$1,200
Water Sales	\$217,471
Water Tap on Fees	\$10,000
Water Deposits	\$2,000
Penalties	\$9,500
Reconnect Fees	\$1,500
<b>TOTAL COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER &amp; SEWER DISTRICT I:</b>	<b>\$243,171</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Columbus County Water &amp; Sewer District I:

**TOTAL** **\$243,171**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT II****REVENUES:**

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Water Sales	\$300,000
Retained Earnings Appropriation	\$192,232
<b>TOTAL COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER &amp; SEWER DISTRICT II</b>	<b>\$492,232</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Columbus County Water &amp; Sewer District II:

**TOTAL** **\$492,232**

**SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND****REVENUES:**

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Refunds	\$10,000-
Releases	\$175,000-
Interest	\$10,000
Miscellaneous - Recyclable Material	\$5,000
State Aid - Tire Disposal Fee	\$53,300
State Aid - White Goods	\$20,000
Landfill User Fees	\$3,385,500
Solid Waste Permit Fees	7,500
Tipping Fees	\$404,000
<b>TOTAL SOLID WASTE:</b>	<b>\$3,700,300</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Solid Waste Enterprise:

**TOTAL**      **\$ 3,700,300****H.U.D. FUND****REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Annual Contr Earned	\$1,524,753
<b>TOTAL H.U.D. FUND:</b>	<b>\$1,524,753</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Public Housing Admin Expense	\$1,524,753
<b>TOTAL H.U.D. FUND:</b>	<b>\$1,524,753</b>

**SPECIAL ALCOHOL/DRUG FUND****REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Interest	\$300
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$500
Controlled Substance Tax	\$15,000
U.S. Marshal - DEA	\$9,200
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL ALCOHOL/DRUG FUND:</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>

**EXPENDITURES:****TOTAL SPECIAL ALCOHOL/DRUG FUND:**      **\$25,000****REVALUATION FUND****REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Contribution - General Fund	\$20,000
<b>TOTAL REVALUATION FUND:</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>

**EXPENDITURES:****\$20,000****EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM****REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Surcharge - E911	\$474,344
Wireless - E911	\$58,000
<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM:</b>	<b>\$532,344</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Emergency Telephone System:

**TOTAL: \$532,344**

**COUNTY RESCUE TAX**

**REVENUE:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
County Rescue Tax (.02 cents)	\$330,000
<b>TOTAL COUNTY RESCUE TAX</b>	<b>\$330,000</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

County Rescue Tax:

**TOTAL \$330,000**

**FIRE and RESCUE TAX**

**REVENUES/EXPENDITURES:**

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	TOTAL REVENUES	TOTAL EXPENDITURES (Remittance to District)
<b>Evergreen Special District Tax</b>	\$18,300		
Releases	\$260-		
<b>TOTAL EVERGREEN FIRE DISTRICT:</b>		<b>\$18,040</b>	<b>\$18,040</b>
<b>St. James Special District Tax</b>	\$12,000		
Refunds	\$20-		
Releases	\$200-		
State Shared Revenue	\$60		
<b>TOTAL ST. JAMES VOLUNTEER:</b>		<b>\$11,840</b>	<b>\$11,840</b>
<b>North Whiteville Special District Tax</b>	\$51,000		
Releases	\$200-		
<b>TOTAL NORTH WHITEVILLE:</b>		<b>\$50,800</b>	<b>\$50,800</b>
<b>Old Dock-Cypress Creek Special District Tax</b>	\$24,000		
Refunds	\$10-		
Releases	\$300-		
State Shared Revenue	\$150		
<b>TOTAL OLD DOCK-CYPRESS CREEK:</b>		<b>\$23,840</b>	<b>\$23,840</b>
<b>Hallsboro Fire Special District Tax</b>	\$38,000		
Refunds	\$15-		
Releases	\$500-		
State Shared Revenue	\$200		
<b>TOTAL HALLSBORO FIRE:</b>		<b>\$37,685</b>	<b>\$37,685</b>
<b>Roseland Fire Special District Tax</b>	\$32,000		
Refunds	\$40-		
Releases	\$700-		

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	TOTAL REVENUES	TOTAL EXPENDITURES (Remittance to District)
State Shared Revenue	\$200		
<b>TOTAL ROSELAND FIRE:</b>		<b>\$31,460</b>	<b>\$31,460</b>
Yam City Fire Special District Tax	\$62,000		
Refunds	\$100-		
Releases	\$1,000-		
State Shared Revenue	\$300		
<b>TOTAL YAM CITY FIRE:</b>		<b>\$61,200</b>	<b>\$61,200</b>
Acme-Delco Fire Special District Tax	\$170,000		
Refunds	\$300-		
Releases	\$2,000-		
State Shared Revenue	\$5,000		
<b>TOTAL ACME-DELCO FIRE:</b>		<b>\$172,700</b>	<b>\$172,700</b>
Klondyke Fire Special District Tax	\$78,000		
Refunds	\$2,500-		
Releases	\$1,200-		
State Shared Revenue	\$4,686		
<b>TOTAL KLONDYKE FIRE:</b>		<b>\$78,986</b>	<b>\$78,986</b>
Cole's Service Special District Tax	\$40,000		
Refunds	\$25-		
Releases	\$1,000-		
State Shared Revenue	\$9,118		
<b>TOTAL COLE'S SERVICE:</b>		<b>\$48,093</b>	<b>\$48,093</b>
Cerro Gordo Special District Tax	\$50,000		
Refunds	\$15-		
Releases	\$900-		
State Shared Revenue	\$256		
<b>TOTAL CERRO GORDO:</b>		<b>\$49,341</b>	<b>\$49,341</b>
Williams Township Special District Tax	\$44,100		
Refunds	\$25-		
Releases	\$600-		
State Shared Revenue	\$250		
<b>TOTAL WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP:</b>		<b>\$43,725</b>	<b>\$43,725</b>
White Marsh-Welches Creek Special District Tax	\$29,000		
Refunds	\$80-		
Releases	\$700-		
State Shared Revenue	\$150		
<b>TOTAL WHITE MARSH-WELCHES CREEK:</b>		<b>\$28,370</b>	<b>\$28,370</b>



ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	TOTAL REVENUES	TOTAL EXPENDITURES (Remittance to District)
<b>Whiteville Rescue Service Special District Tax</b>	\$120,000		
Refunds	\$800-		
Releases	\$1,000-		
State Shared Revenue	\$598		
<b>TOTAL WHITEVILLE RESCUE SERVICE:</b>		<b>\$118,798</b>	<b>\$118,798</b>
<b>Brunswick Fire Special District Tax</b>	\$70,000		
Refunds	\$100-		
Releases	\$2,000-		
State Shared Revenue	\$370		
<b>TOTAL BRUNSWICK FIRE:</b>		<b>\$68,270</b>	<b>\$68,270</b>
<b>Bolton Fire Special District Tax</b>	\$22,000		
Refunds	\$10-		
Releases	\$200-		
State Shared Revenue	\$120		
<b>TOTAL BOLTON FIRE:</b>		<b>\$21,910</b>	<b>\$21,910</b>
<b>Buckhead Fire Special District Tax</b>	\$8,500		
Refunds	\$10-		
Releases	\$100-		
State Shared Revenue	\$50		
<b>TOTAL BUCKHEAD FIRE:</b>		<b>\$8,440</b>	<b>\$8,440</b>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

**All Capital Projects are Continued:**

**TOTAL FUNDS**

**TOTAL REVENUES (ALL FUNDS):** **\$ 57,231,963**

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES (ALL FUNDS):** **\$ 57,231,963**

**SECTION II. TAX RATE LEVY**

There is hereby levied for the fiscal year 2001-2002 an ad valorem property tax on all property having a situs in Columbus County as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2001, at a rate of Seventy-eight (\$0.78) Cents per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed value of such property pursuant to and in accordance with the Machinery Act of Chapter 105 of the North Carolina General Statutes and other applicable laws. The estimated revenues from the ad valorem property tax are based on an established collection during the 2001-2002 fiscal year of Ninety-six (96%) percent of the levy and the estimated taxable base of two billion, three hundred eighty-two million, four hundred seventy-eight thousand and six hundred thirty-two and 00/100 (\$2,382,478,632.00) dollars.

Special district tax rates for the purpose of providing Fire and Rescue Protection are also levied as follows:

<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>FEE</b>
Evergreen Fire	Fee
Acme-Delco Fire	\$ .12
Bolton Fire	\$ .06
Brunswick Fire	\$ .07
Buckhead Fire	\$ .06
Cerro Gordo Fire	\$ .10
Cole Fire	\$ .10
Hallsboro Fire	\$ .06
Klondyke Fire	\$ .07
North Whiteville Fire	Fee
Old Dock - Cypress Creek Fire	\$ .08
Roseland Fire	\$ .06
St. James Fire	\$ .06
Tabor City Fire	\$ .10
White Marsh / Welches Creek Fire	\$ .08
Whiteville Rescue	\$.02
Williams Township Fire	\$ .06
Columbus County Rescue	\$ .02

### **SECTION III. BUILDING INSPECTION FEES**

Building Inspection fees are amended as reflected by Board action.

### **SECTION IV. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEES**

The Environmental Health Fees for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 are as follows and were amended May 7, 2001.

<b>Category</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Site Evaluation	\$100.00
Site Evaluation over 600 gallons/day	\$150.00
Five Year I.P. & C.A. Permit	-0-
Permit Revisions	\$50.00
LPP Permit	\$100.00
Revisit Fee/lot not ready	\$40.00
Mobile Home Park Relocation	\$40.00
Septic Installer Registration	-0-
Existing System Checks	\$50.00
Well Permit	-0-
Well Driller Registration	-0-
Water Sample	\$25.00
Tattoo Artist	\$200.00
Swimming Pool Permit	\$40.00

Category	Fee
Swimming Pool Plan Review	-0-
Repair Permits	-0-

#### SECTION V. SCHEDULE BUSINESS LICENSES

The business license fees are hereby continued for Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

#### SECTION VI. SOLID WASTE FEES

The Solid Waste Tipping Fees are as follows for Fiscal Year 2001-2002. The Collection and Landfill Fees have increased for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 as follows.

Commercial and Residential Tipping Fee	\$ 42.23/Ton
LCID and C&D Materials Tipping Fee	\$ 30.00/Ton
Collection and Landfill Fee for County Residents	\$165.00/Annually
Landfill Fee for Municipal Residents	\$ 75.00/Annually

#### SECTION VII. SALARIES

The following provision shall govern salary and wage compensation for Fiscal Year 2000-2002.

**PAY PLAN:** There is hereby continued a pay plan applicable to all County employees. The pay plan shall have a range of twenty (20) steps with each step increasing by two and one-half (2.5%) percent.

Full-time and part-time salaried employees, employed on or before July 1, 2001 and with continued employment through December 31, 2001, will receive a five-hundred dollar (\$500.00) bonus to be paid prior to December 25, 2001. The part-time salaried employees' bonus will be based on the percentage of the hours employed. This bonus excludes the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.

#### SECTION VIII. BUDGET CONTROLS

The Board of Commissioners, in approving the proposed Budget, has utilized to the fullest extent possible its revenue sources and the County Administrator is herein directed to initiate steps to ensure that the Budget fixed herein is lived within.

#### SECTION IX. APPROPRIATIONS

The amount of the General Fund proposed for the Fiscal Year 2001-2002 is hereby appropriated to the County Administrator for the operations of the Columbus County Government and its departments and agencies for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002. In administering the program authorized under this Ordinance, the County Administrator is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund between objects of expenditures within a department without limitations and without a report being requested, and between departments within a fund not to exceed two thousand and 00/100 (\$2,000.00) dollars. Appropriations for land and new buildings included in this Ordinance may be expended only after release by the Board of Commissioners. The Chairman of the Board and the Administrator are hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreements within funds included in the Budget Ordinance for the following purposes:

- (1) Grant agreement to Public and Non-Public Agencies;
- (2) Leases of normal and routine business equipment;
- (3) Consultant, Professional, or Maintenance Service Agreements;
- (4) Purchase of apparatus, supplies and materials where formal bids are not required by law;
- (5) Agreements for acceptance of State and Federal Grant Funds; and
- (6) Construction or repair work where formal bids are not required by laws.

**SECTION X. RESTRICTED REVENUES**

The Finance Officer is hereby directed to fund appropriations which have specified revenue prior to the funding with General Fund monies. This is to include, but not limited to Fines and Forfeiture, ABC profits and Forestry Revenues.

**SECTION XI. PUBLIC PURPOSE LIMITATION**

In accordance with Article V of the North Carolina Constitution which states in part, that "Power and Taxation shall be exercised....for public purposes" and/or division of the State Supreme Court, the County Administrator shall require the following before releasing public funds to other governmental agencies or private groups:

- (1) The activity in question is for a public purpose;
- (2) The activity in question is one which the County is authorized to undertake or for which the County has specific statutory authorization for giving financial aid to the agencies in question; **and**
- (3) Through appropriate means, the County retains some degree of control over the expenditures of its funds.

**SECTION XII. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2001.

.....Adopted this the 26th day of June, 2001.

Motion by Commissioner McKenzie seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed.

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

**Noes:** Commissioners Memory, Wilson and Dutton.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ Spruell R. Britt, Chairman

**ATTESTED BY:**

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**RESOLUTION - CANCELING BOARD MEETING FOR JULY 2, 2001**

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

**NOTICE and RESOLUTION to CANCEL MEETING**

**of the BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**of COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

The Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, unanimously approved on the 26th day of June 2001, to adopt the following Resolution.

**W I T N E S S E T H :**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, has presently scheduled meetings at 8:00 A.M. the first Monday and 7:30 P.M. on the third Monday of each month; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the **Board of County Commissioners** of Columbus County, North Carolina is desirous of canceling the meeting scheduled for the first Monday being July 2, 2001, only.

**BE IT THEREFORE, RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY**, North Carolina, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-40, shall cancel the regular meeting of the said Board scheduled for July 2, 2001 and the same is hereby canceled, and the next regularly scheduled meeting of the said Board shall be in the Columbus County Commissioners' Chambers, Courthouse Annex, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, on Monday, July 16, 2001 at 7:30 P.M.

**BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED** by the **Board of County Commissioners** that a copy of this **Resolution and Notice** shall be placed on the Courthouse Bulletin Board, as well as mailed to all of the news media who has requested notice.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

*/s/ Spruell R. Britt, Chairman*

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

**ORDINANCE (PROHIBITING NOISES) - AMENDMENT REPLACED**

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, requested the Board to approve an amended Ordinance Prohibiting Noises that was adopted at the June 18, 2001 Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Memory, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to amend the Ordinance Prohibiting Noises that was approved at the June 18, 2001 Board Meeting as follows.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING NOISES**

***OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS***

**BE IT UNANIMOUSLY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:**

(a) Subject to the provisions of this ordinance, the creation of any unreasonably loud and disturbing noise in Columbus County and outside the corporate limits of any town is hereby prohibited and unlawful. Noise of such character, intensity, and duration as to be detrimental to the life or health of any individual is hereby prohibited. It shall be unlawful

for any person to make, continue, or cause to be made or continued any loud or unusual noise or any noise which annoys, disrupts, injures, or endangers the health, safety, comfort, and welfare of other citizens within the County of Columbus and outside of any corporate limits.

(b) The following acts are declared to be loud and/or disruptive noises in violation of this ordinance, but such enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive, and the acts herein enumerated are found to be annoying to the public and contrary to the health, safety, comfort, and welfare of the people and each is declared to be a nuisance:

1. **Blowing Horns.** The sounding of any horn or signal device on any automobile, motor vehicle, motorcycle, or other vehicle on any street or public highway of the County of Columbus except as a danger sounding device only; the creation by means of a signaling device of any loud or harsh sound; the sounding of such device for any unreasonable period of time; the use of a horn, whistle, or other device operated by engine exhaust; the use of such signaling device when the traffic for any reason held up or not flowing in a normal manner;
2. **Yelling, Shouting, Hooting.** Whistling or singing on the public streets or highways, or public vehicular area between the hours of 11:00 o'clock PM and 7:00 o'clock AM or at any other time or place so as to annoy or disrupt the quiet, comfort, or repose of any person in any office, dwelling, hotel, or other type of residence, or any of the persons in the said vicinity of those locations.
3. **Defect in Vehicle or Load.** The use of any automobile, motorcycle, or other vehicles so out of repair, so loaded, or in such a manner as to create a loud or unreasonable grating, grinding, rattling, or other noise.
4. **Excessive Noises Near Churches.** The creation of any excessive noise on any street or public highway adjacent to any church which disturbs or unreasonably interferes with the working of the institution or the conducting of the religious activities contained therein.
5. **Radios or Phonographs, etc.** The using, operating or permitting to be played or used or operated any radio or television, receiver set, musical instrument, phonograph, or other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound in such manner as to disrupt the peace, quiet or comfort of the

neighboring inhabitants or at any time louder volume than is necessary for the convenient hearing of the persons who are in the room, vehicle, or chamber in which such machine or device is operated and who are voluntary listeners thereto. The operation of such set, instrument, phonograph, machine, or device between the hours of 11:00 o'clock PM and 7:00 o'clock AM in such a manner as to be plainly audible at a distance of fifty (50) feet from the building, structure, or vehicle in which it is located shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.

6. **Live Music. Jukeboxes. and Similar Musical Instrument.** It shall be unlawful for any person or group of persons to play musical instruments, either individually or as a live band, or to play or permit to be played, in any place of business or amusement hall in the County of Columbus, any jukeboxes or similar musical instruments in violation of any of the following regulations:
  - a. No musical instrument or live band shall be played under any conditions between the hours of 1:00 o'clock AM and 7:00 o'clock AM and no musical instrument shall be played under any condition at any time when the volume of such instrument is sufficient to disrupt the public.
  - b. Jukeboxes and similar musical instruments shall be allowed to play seven (7) days per week between the hours of 7:00 o'clock AM and 1:00 o'clock AM in enclosed buildings only.
  - c. All persons keeping or maintaining a jukebox or similar musical instrument in the place of business or amusement hall in the County of Columbus shall keep the volume of such instrument turned down at all times, so that the sound of the said instrument shall not disrupt the public.
7. The provisions of this section shall not apply to public schools, official school functions or present churches, to warning signals required by law for vehicles on highways, streets, or railroads, or to whistles at mills or factories, or to

policemen, firemen, or other public officials while in performance of their official duties or to anyone responding to public emergencies or protecting the public safety.

8. **Loudspeakers or Magnifier.** It shall be unlawful for any person to speak into a loudspeaker or magnifier when such loudspeaker or magnifier is so adjusted that the volume of the magnifier or speaker is extended to the extent audibly in excess of 150 feet from the person speaking.
9. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance, upon conviction, shall be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor and shall be fined not in excess of Five (\$500.00) Dollars and/or imprisoned not exceeding twenty (20) days.
10. Should any word, phrase, sentence, or paragraph be deemed to be unconstitutional or in violation of state or federal law, then the remainder of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.
11. This Ordinance does not apply to planting/and or preparation for and harvesting of any product and/or the preparation and marketing of any product that is controlled, in whole or in part, by the United States Department of Agriculture or the North Carolina Department of Agriculture or any agency or subagency thereof.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

**ADOPTED** this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2001.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ATTESTED BY:**

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

/s/ Spruell R. Britt, Chairman

**TABOR CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - PERMIT FEE WAIVED FOR THE  
DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to waive the permit fee in the amount of \$150.00 to the Tabor City Chamber of Commerce and Melrose Pyrotechnics for the display of fireworks on July 4, 2001.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS APPROVED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and



passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments.

Increase	10-356-0000 Register of Deeds Fees	\$ 1,374
Expend	10-480-0901 Supplemental Pension Plan	\$ 1,374

Transfer State Fund School Bonds (Columbus County) as follows:

Decrease	69-670-1600 Central Col.	(\$211,616)
Increase	69-670-1700 Acme Delco Middle	\$ 50,000
Decrease	69-670-3200 East Columbus High	(\$214,000)
Increase	69-670-3300 Acme Delco Elementary	\$ 75,000
Increase	69-670-3900 Guideway	\$ 14,000
Increase	69-670-4200 Old Dock Elementary	\$ 25,000
Increase	69-670-4400 West Columbus High	\$ 261,616

Transfer State Fund School Bonds (Whiteville City) as follows:

Decrease	69-680-0200 Edgewood Elementary	(\$ 11)
Decrease	69-680-0300 Central Middle	(\$21,820)
Decrease	69-680-1700 Whiteville High	(\$21,200)
Increase	69-680-0700 Whiteville Primary	\$21,200
Increase	69-680-1700 Whiteville Primary	\$21,831

#### **RURAL CONSUMER SERVICES CORPORATION - LETTER OF SUPPORT**

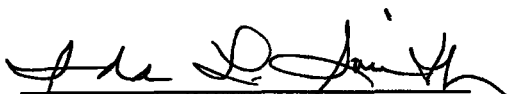
A motion was made by Commissioner Memory, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and passed unanimously to direct Administration to write a "Letter of Support" for an application for a grant through Rural Internet Access Authority to develop information technology centers located in both the Whiteville and Tabor City Business Development Centers, as requested by Judy Morris, Facility Coordinator for Rural Consumer Services Corporation.

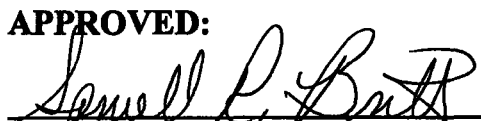
#### **BOARD RECOGNITION FOR 2001-2002 BUDGET ADOPTION**

Walter Batten, Inspections Director and Larry Moore, Social Services Director, thanked the Board for adopting the 2001-2002 Columbus County Operating Budget.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:45 P.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the Board Meeting.

  
 Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**APPROVED:**  
  
 Spruell R. Britt, Chairman

