

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, September 16, 2002

6:45 P.M.

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, for the purpose of holding three (3) public hearings and their regular scheduled meeting on the first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman**
 C.E. "Gene" Wilson, **Vice Chairman**
 Spruell R. Britt
 David L. Dutton, Jr.
 Sammie Jacobs
 Bill Memory
 Lynwood Norris

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Billy Joe Farmer, **County Administrator**
 James E. Hill, Jr., **County Attorney**
 Darren L. Currie, **Assistant County Administrator**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**

PUBLIC HEARING NUMBER 1:

Closing of 1997 Micro-Enterprise Grant Fund CDBG #97-M-0398

At 6:45 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the Public Hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive views and comments from the public regarding the closing of this grant. This grant needs to be closed before Columbus County applies for the Concentrated Site Needs Housing Grant. Chairman McKenzie requested Floyd Adams, The Adams Company, Incorporated, to present some facts regarding this grant. Mr. Floyd Adams stated the following:

1. This grant was in the amount of one hundred thousand and 00/100 (\$100,000.00) dollars;
2. The purpose of this grant was for the counseling of new businesses and getting small businesses started;
3. I will be obtaining the closeout forms from Southeastern Community College to finalize the required paperwork; **and**
4. This grant must be closed before applying for the Concentrated Needs Housing Grant.

There were no comments. At 6:49 P.M., Commissioner Wilson made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs. The motion so carried.

PUBLIC HEARING #2:

Application for 2003-04 Community Development Block Grant Funding -Concentrated Needs-(second of the two (2) required public hearings)

At 7:00 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the Public Hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive views and opinions from the citizens of Columbus County. Chairman McKenzie requested Floyd Adams, The Adams Company, Incorporated, to present the facts regarding this grant. Mr. Adams presented the following information:

1. This grant can be broken down into two (2) areas, but no more than two (2); **and**
2. Does not require any matching funds, this requirement was waived by the state.

Commissioner Wilson asked Mr. Adams when and how was the area chosen for the waterline that will be included in this grant money, if awarded. Mr. Adams replied stating that Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, Darren Currie, Assistant Administrator, and myself met and reached this decision. This waterline will connect Water District I and Water District II to create a long stream of inter-connection. Many other areas needed this waterline, but we needed an area where fifty-one (51%) percent of the population qualified and this was the only area we could find meeting this stipulation.

At 7:14 P.M., Commissioner Norris made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

NOTICE !!!

The Minutes for the following Meeting

will be located in the

Minute Book Attachments

Book #2:

**PUBLIC FORUM for COLUMBUS COUNTY
WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V
Thursday, September 5, 2002
7:00 P.M.**

PUBLIC HEARING #3:**Proposed Amendments to the Columbus County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance**

At 7:15 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the Public Hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive views and opinions from the public. Chairman McKenzie asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak and if so, to please stand and state their name. The comments were as follows:

1. **Macy Malpass:** I am sure you are holding this hearing by letter of law but it has a direct bearing on the Riegel Ridge Landfill proposed to be located in the Green Swamp.
2. **Jeff Lane:** stated many facts that would be detrimental to the natural Green Swamp area if a landfill is allowed to be developed and requested the County Commissioners to look at other more suitable areas.
3. **Hampton Shuping:** I am the Waccamaw River keeper and I would like to inform the Board that the runoff from the Reigel Ridge Landfill would eventually make its way to Winyah Bay and then to South Carolina thus having a negative impact on the South Carolina tourism.
4. **Susan Council:** I would like for it go on record that I am not opposing the ordinance you are trying to put into place. I would like for it to go on record that I am opposed to the variance that will allow the Landfill to be located in a Flood Plain. Also I would like for it to go on record that I would like for you to please wait for the release of the FEMA Flood Maps before making your final decision.
5. **Shelia Moore:** I reside in Town Creek, Brunswick County, and I would like for it to go on record that the runoff from the landfill, if located in the Green Swamp, would eventually end up in South Carolina which would greatly affect the biggest source of revenue which is tourism and we would eventually end up in a law suit.
6. **Cindy Evans:** The Department of Transportation has placed grade stakes along NC 211 in and around Supply for the purposed widening of this road. Through an inside contact, I have discovered this widening is underway to accommodate the receipt of trash from New York once the Riegel Ridge Landfill is in operation due to the closing of the Fresh Kill Landfill in the State of New York.
7. **Macy Malpass:** I hope you have complied with the law because you have forgotten the spirit of the law. How much will my garbage fee be raised to pay for this? There has not been enough information given to the public. In order to be granted a variance, you must meet certain qualifications.
8. **Donna Scott:** If you continue with your plan to establish the Riegel Ridge Landfill, you will be going directly against the 21st Century Strategic Plan you are attempting to put into place. You are trying to attract tourists and retirees and this will definitely not accomplish this.
9. **Private Citizen (did not state name):** I recommend this Public Hearing be continued until a later date and a meeting date be established to allow one (1) hour in length.
10. **Susan Council:** I would like to know why there is no dialog for this meeting.
11. **Graham Lewis:** You have stated the Riegel Ridge Landfill would save Columbus County \$1 million per year. This is good, but if for any reason the company decided to abandon the Landfill site or if it is indeed flooded, it will cost in the excess of \$1 million to clean this area up.
12. **Grady Simmons:** The Department of Transportation has placed a 4' stretch of sand beside the highway with no silk screen on NC 211 where the widening is being done and the sand is just like the sand at the beach. This will not hold up to rainy weather.
13. **Forrest Riggs:** The proposed Riegel Ridge Landfill is located directly in the Flood Plain.

The Flood Plain states an area must be sixty (60') feet above sea level and there is no single place in the Green Swamp that meets this criteria. Most of the entire site is directly located in the Flood Plain. I am requesting the Board to please wait for the flood maps to be released before reaching a final decision.

14. **Harold Worley:** I am from Little River in Horry County and I would like to request the Board to take a look at a site that is more suitable and environmentally friendly than the Green Swamp. I urge you to move forward with caution.
15. **Betty Timberlake:** We have been told the increased traffic in and out of the Riegel Ridge Landfill would not affect our area, but if you add one hundred fifty (150) large trash trucks, it will definitely have a large impact on the flow of traffic in the area and the condition of the highway. I would like to know why we do not have a dialog.
16. **Private Citizen (did not state name):** I have attended a workshop pertaining to leachate which is a chemical runoff from landfills. If Riegel Ridge Landfill is located in the Green Swamp, the leachate will certainly end up in the water streams from the landfill and eventually end up in the beaches of South Carolina. One (1) option you could do to control the quantity of waste would be to impose a soft drink disposal act.
17. **Carl Ward:** The solution to a Landfill is to not have a Landfill. We are presently disposing of our trash and we should continue like we are doing. If you do put in a Landfill, put in your own Landfill and don't accept waste from outside sources.
18. **Virginia Lewis:** Who laid the ground rules to determine the experts who would find a location for the Riegel Ridge Landfill?
19. **Merl Camp:** The Board definitely needs to decide on another location for the Riegel Ridge Landfill.
20. **Ray Priest:** The scale is not balanced between private citizens' input, business and government activities.
21. **Private Citizen (? Miller):** From the information that is being spoken at this meeting, there has been all cons and no pros.
22. **Jerri Simmons (Brunswick County line):** I live on the Brunswick County line where you plan to put this Landfill. You could have floated a boat in this area during Hurricane Floyd.
23. **Jeff Lane:** We, as citizens, would like to know the procedure you followed in amending the present Ordinance. We need a protocol and format of variance.
24. **Red Rooks:** I have attended two (2) of these public hearings pertaining to the Riegel Ridge Landfill and nothing seems to be getting accomplished. I am neither for or against the landfill but in any meeting, there has to be organization. I suggest that a list of questions be prepared and presented to the County Commissioners and request that they provide you with the answers in a timely manner.
25. **Ray Priest:** I have kin buried off of Egypt Road located in the Green Swamp. What are they going to do with these graves when they build Riegel Ridge Landfill?
26. **Jeff Lane:** I am requesting a dialog be prepared for the next meeting.

Chairman McKenzie stated we would check into scheduling another meeting to allow for more time and more space for greater attendance.

At 8:15 P.M, Commissioner Britt made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs. The motion so carried.

REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 8:20 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie called the Regular Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Memory. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to approve the September 3, 2002 Minutes as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

TAX RELEASES (as submitted to Administration from the Tax Office): September 16, 2002

Release the Property Value in the name of Long, Winston F.. Release the value of a boat and the Columbus Rescue fee. Customer sold the boat in 1996. Amount \$3.56, Value \$405.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-03349, Bill # 79805.

Release the Property Value in the name of Herring, Hilton. Release the value of a boat and the Columbus Rescue fee. The boat is listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$2.73, Value \$310.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-01358, Bill # 74091.

Release the Property Value in the name of J O W Properties. Release the business personal property fee and the Columbus Rescue fee. Property in double listed in the name of J O W Properties LLC (ETAL). Amount \$118.40, Value \$14,800.00, Year 2002, Account # 06-04935, Bill # 76121.

Release the Property Value in the name of Jenkins, Climinal. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee for the Town of Cerro Gordo. The mobile home is outside the town limits. Amount \$24.49, Value \$11,130.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-09113, Bill # 4546.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lee, Billy Jr.. Release the value of a mobile home and the Evergreen fire fee. The Home burned in 1997. Amount \$183.16, Value \$7,280.00, Year 1998, Account # 12-14604, Bill # 30104.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lee, Billy Jr.. Release the value of a mobile home that burned in 1997. Amount \$153.59, Value \$7,010.00, Year 1999, Account # 12-14604, Bill # 18951.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lee, Billy Jr.. Release the value of a mobile home and the Evergreen Fire fee. The home burned in 1997. Amount \$202.35, Value \$6,610.00, Year 2000, Account # 12-14604, Bill # 184.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lee, Billy Jr.. Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire fee (25.00) and the Columbus Rescue fee (1.33). The home burned in 1997. Amount \$248.36, Value \$6,631.00, Year 2001, Account # 12-14604, Bill # 687.

Release the Property Value in the name of New Tabor Warehouse. Release the business personal property value and the Columbus Rescue fee. Business was sold in 2001. Amount \$123.40, Value \$14,023.00, Year 2002, Account # 06-00714, Bill # 53386.

Release the Property Value in the name of Long, Lula N.. Release the property value and the Columbus Rescue fee. Customer failed to receive the senior citizens exemption. Amount \$258.44, Value \$10,180.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-14483, Bill # 79634.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hall, Abern. Release the value of a mobile home and the Acme Delco fee (16.61) and the Columbus Rescue (2.77). Home is double listed in the same name on a different bill number. Amount \$317.80, Value \$13,840.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-02350, Bill # 51924.

Release the Property Value in the name of McPherson, David L.. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Williams Fire fee (21.00) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee (7.00). The property should have been in the land use program. Amount \$301.00, Value \$35,000.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-18240, Bill # 81672.

Release the Property Value in the name of Martin, Jason. Release the value of a double wide home, the Brunswick Fire fee (36.05) and the Whiteville Rescue fee (10.30). The home is double listed in the same name with a different bill number. Amount \$625.05, Value \$51,500.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-03558, Bill # 80455.

Release the Property Value in the name of Meares, Dorothy W.. Release a portion of the out building value and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee. Building was billed with incorrect value. Amount \$3.60, Value \$450.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-27380, Bill # 63364.

Release the Property Value in the name of Miley, Harmon L.. Release a portion of the boat value and a portion of the Hallsboro Fire fee. Boat billed with incorrect value. Amount \$16.78, Value \$1,999.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-17288, Bill # 82378.

Release the Property Value in the name of Munn, James D.. Release the value of a boat and the Whiteville Rescue fee. Boat is listed in South Carolina. Amount \$37.40, Value \$4,250.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-00046, Bill # 83377.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Mary M.. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire fee (28.10) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee (5.62). Property should have been in the land use program. Amount \$252.90, Value \$28,100.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-03115, Bill # 83634.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Mary M.. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo fire fee (19.60) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee (3.92). Property should have been in the land use program. Amount \$176.40, Value \$19,600.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-03115, Bill # 83635.

Release the Property Value in the name of New Tabor Warehouse. Release the business personal property value and the Columbus Rescue fee. Property is double listed in the name of Virginia Clemmons. Amount \$123.40, Value \$14,023.00, Year 2002, Account # 06-27071, Bill # 83908.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lee, Billy Jr.. Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire fee (25.00) and the Columbus Rescue fee (1.29). The home burned in 1997. Amount \$258.55, Value \$6,426.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-14604, Bill # 78582.

Release the Property Value in the name of Donovan, Betty. Release the value of a boat and the Whiteville Rescue fee. Ms. Donovan has never owned a boat. Amount \$14.96, Value \$1,700.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-20981, Bill # 66293.

Release the Property Value in the name of Dixon, Harold L.. Property is listed in Bladen County. Amount \$9.80, Value \$2,800.00, Year 2000, Account # 15-12180, Bill # 40285.

Release the Property Value in the name of Amentt, Joseph. Release the property value, the Acme Delco fee (2.40) and the Columbus Rescue fee (.40). Property is double listed in the name of Debra B. Mills. Amount \$18.40, Value \$2,000.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-00363, Bill # 57245.

Release the Property Value in the name of Batten, Lacy. Release the value of a mobile home, the Klondyle fee (6.56) and the Columbus County Rescue fee (1.87). Mobile home is double listed in the name of Eugene Batten. Amount \$258.52, Value \$9,370.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-01596, Bill # 58566.

Release the Property Value in the name of Benton, Paul. Release the value of a mobile home, the Yam City fire fee (6.05) and the Columbus Rescue fee (1.21). The mobile home is double listed in the name of Cathleen Farrell. Amount \$236.87, Value \$6,048.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-00424, Bill # 59152.

Release the Property Value in the name of Brewington, Ronnie. Release the value of a mobile home that has never been in Columbus County. Amount \$146.26, Value \$6,050.00, Year 1999, Account # 08-01740, Bill # 1940.

Release the Property Value in the name of Brewington, Ronnie. Release the value of a mobile home that has never been in Columbus County. Amount \$171.79, Value \$5,909.00, Year 2000, Account # 08-01740, Bill # 82795.

Release the Property Value in the name of Brewington, Ronnie. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. The mobile home has never been in Columbus County. Amount \$217.03, Value \$5,913.00, Year 2001, Account # 08-01740, Bill # 82830.

Release the Property Value in the name of Brewington, Ronnie. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. The mobile home has never been in Columbus County. Amount \$227.26, Value \$5,712.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-01740, Bill # 60352.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hayes, Terry. Release the value of a double wide for the town of Cerro Gordo. Home is not inside the town limits. Amount \$91.61, Value \$45,803.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-07923, Bill # 4523.

Release the Property Value in the name of Dixon, Harold L.. Release the property value for the Town of Sandyfield. Property is located in Bladen County. Amount \$9.80, Value \$2,800.00, Year 1999, Account # 15-12180, Bill # 44522.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hall, Abern. Release the value of a mobile home for the town of Sandyfield. Home is double listed in the same name with a different bill number. Amount \$58.12, Value \$13,840.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-02350, Bill # 51925.

Release the Property Value in the name of Dunlap, Nancy P.. Release the property value and the Whiteville Rescue fee. Property is double listed in the name of Aaron F. Hester. Amount \$747.60, Value \$71,700.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-22111, Bill # 66764.

Release the Property Value in the name of Edge, William C.. Release the value of a jet ski and the Columbus Rescue fee. The jet ski was stolen in 1999. Amount \$20.06, Value \$2,280.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-03118, Bill # 66926.

Release the Property Value in the name of Edwards, Byron. Release a portion of the boat value and a portion of the Hallsboro Fire fee. Boat was billed with incorrect value. Amount \$16.73, Value \$1,939.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-04118, Bill # 67018.

Release the Property Value in the name of Faulk, Timothy. Release a portion of the mobile value and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee. Mobile home billed with incorrect value. Amount \$10.41, Value \$1,300.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-04623, Bill # 68151.

Release the Property Value in the name of Gaines, Tommie. Release the value of a house and the Whiteville Rescue fee. The house was condemned by the city in 2000. Amount \$189.40, Value \$12,800.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-30160, Bill # 69791.

Release the Property Value in the name of George, Lauranetta. Release the property value and the Hallsboro Fire fee (9.30) and the Columbus Rescue fee (3.10). Customers failed to receive the senior citizen's exemption. Amount \$310.30, Value \$15,500.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-10590, Bill # 70239.

Release the Property Value in the name of Graham, Phillip. Release the value of a double wide home and the Columbus Rescue fee. The home is double listed in the same name on a different bill number. Amount \$557.80, Value \$47,600.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-05906, Bill # 71845.

Release the Property Value in the name of Grainger, Clint. Release the value of a mobile home and the Whiteville Rescue fee. The mobile home burned in 2001. Amount \$107.80, Value \$2,600.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-03047, Bill # 71949.

Release the Property Value in the name of Britt, Marsha. Release the value of a boat for the Town of Cerro Gordo. This boat is not located inside the town limits. Amount \$5.15, Value \$2,575.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-03832, Bill # 4428.

Release the Property Value in the name of Stanley, Keith W.. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus County Rescue fee. Home was destroyed by hurricane Bertha. Amount \$221.35, Value \$5,040.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-18043, Bill # 92644.

Release the Property Value in the name of Smith, Anthony. Release the value of a single wide home and the Columbus County Rescue fee. Single wide was traded for a double wide and it is listed. Amount \$207.00, Value \$15,000.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-16660, Bill # 90650.

Release the Property Value in the name of Smith, Roy Lee. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home is double listed in the name of Jesse O. Smith. Amount \$380.20, Value \$25,400.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-22880, Bill # 91349.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, William. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of William O'Neil Spivey. Amount \$139.99, Value \$5,230.00, Year 1997, Account # 01-88041, Bill # 67572.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, William. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of William O'Neil Spivey. Amount \$138.15, Value \$4,990.00, Year 1998, Account # 01-88041, Bill # 69270.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, William. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of William O'Neil Spivey. Amount \$136.54, Value \$4,780.00, Year 1999, Account # 01-88041, Bill # 31736.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, William. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of William O'Neil Spivey. Amount \$160.88, Value \$4,530.00, Year 2000, Account # 01-88041, Bill # 13351.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, William. Release the value of a mobile home and the Whiteville Rescue fee. Home is double listed in the name of William O'Neil Spivey. Amount \$204.96, Value \$4,541.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-88041, Bill # 14239.

Release the Property Value in the name of Small, Daniel. Release the value of a mobile home, the Klondyke Fire fee (11.24) and the Columbus County Rescue fee (3.21). Customer got permit for the mobile home but never purchased the home. Amount \$330.60, Value \$16,050.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-02505, Bill # 90539.

Release the Property Value in the name of Stanley, Keith W.. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home was destroyed by hurricane Bertha. Amount \$211.26, Value \$5,256.00, Year 2001, Account # 08-18043, Bill # 14485.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, William. Release the value of a mobile home, the Whiteville Rescue fee (.88), and the Columbus County Rescue fee (.88). Home is double listed in the name of William O'Neil Spivey. Amount \$216.62, Value \$4,392.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-88041, Bill # 92395.

Release the Property Value in the name of Todd, Crystal D.. Release the value of a double wide home, the Brunswick Fire fee (16.07) and the Whiteville rescue fee (4.59). The home was repossessed in 2000. Amount \$384.73, Value \$22,960.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-02328, Bill # 16803.

Release the Property Value in the name of Todd, Crystal D.. Release the value of a double wide home, the Brunswick Fire fee (14.83) and the Whiteville Rescue fee (4.24). Home was repossessed in 2000. Amount \$379.79, Value \$21,190.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-02328, Bill # 94945.

Release the Property Value in the name of Wallace, Richard B.. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire fee (2.70), and the Columbus County Rescue fee (.54).

Property was billed with incorrect rate. Amount \$24.30, Value \$2,700.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-16800, Bill # 96304.

Release the Property Value in the name of Watts, Opal H.. Release property value, the Roseland Fire fee (6.39) and the Columbus Rescue fee (2.13). Customer failed to receive the senior citizens exemption. Amount \$268.59, Value \$10,650.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-33040, Bill # 97527.

Release the Property Value in the name of Williams, William E.. Release the value of a double wide home, the Williams Fire fee (28.08) and the Columbus Rescue fee (9.36). The home was repossessed in 1999. Amount \$579.48, Value \$46,800.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-03748, Bill # 98838.

Release the Property Value in the name of Williamson, Geneva. Release the Evergreen Fire fee, and the user fee. Customer failed to receive the full senior citizens exemption. Amount \$202.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-30280, Bill # 99017.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nobles, Steven. Release the value of a mobile home and the Hallsboro fire fee (4.03) and the Columbus Rescue fee (1.34). Home was repossessed in 2000. Amount \$240.57, Value \$6,720.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-18593, Bill # 84218.

Release the Property Value in the name of Glinski, Ronald. Release the property value and the Columbus Rescue fee. The property is double listed in the name of William Stout. Amount \$431.20, Value \$53,900.00, Year 2002, Account # 06-14137, Bill # 70530.

Release the Property Value in the name of Stanley, Keith W.. Release the value of a mobile home that was destroyed by hurricane Bertha. Amount \$139.14, Value \$5,120.00, Year 1999, Account # 08-18043, Bill # 31973.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ray, Charles. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of George Allen Green Jr. Amount \$298.52, Value \$24,100.00, Year 2000, Account # 06-30591, Bill # 8439.

Release the Property Value in the name of Parnell, Buck. Release the value of a boat and the Columbus Rescue fee. The boat was moved outside the county in 2000. Amount \$9.33, Value \$1,060.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-03629, Bill # 7107.

Release the Property Value in the name of Parnell, Buck. Release the value of a boat and the Columbus Rescue fee. The boat was moved outside the county in 2000. Amount \$8.66, Value \$983.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-03629, Bill # 85033.

Release the Property Value in the name of Stanley, Keith W.. Release the value of a mobile home that was destroyed by hurricane Bertha. Amount \$166.88, Value \$5,287.00, Year 2000, Account # 08-18043, Bill # 13589.

Release the Property Value in the name of Small, Daniel. Release the value of a mobile home, the Klondyke Fire fee (12.11) and the Columbus County Rescue fee (3.46). Customer got permit for the mobile home but never purchased the home. Amount \$330.56, Value \$17,300.00, Year 2001, Account # 13-02505, Bill # 12486.

Release the Property Value in the name of Porter, Levie. Release the property value and the Columbus County Rescue fee. Property is double listed in the name of Chris & Rhonda Barnhill. Amount \$40.00, Value \$5,000.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-23860, Bill # 85929.

Release the Property Value in the name of Powell, Dorothy B.. Release the value of a house, the Hallsboro Fire fee (19.38) and the Columbus County Rescue fee (6.46). House was condemned in 2001. Amount \$454.78, Value \$32,300.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-20910, Bill # 86401.

Release the Property Value in the name of Powell, Wilbur. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire fee (1.60) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee (.32). Property was billed with incorrect rate. Amount \$14.40, Value \$1,600.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-12481, Bill # 86343.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ray, Charles. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of George Allen Green Jr. Amount \$267.50, Value \$24,100.00, Year 1999, Account # 06-30591, Bill # 26920.

Release the Property Value in the name of Pierce, Thomas C.. Release the value of a double wide, the Klondyke Fire fee (25.90) and the Colubus County Rescue fee (7.40). Customer purchased permit for home but never bought the home. Amount \$498.90, Value \$37,000.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-32636, Bill # 85620.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ray, Charles. Release the value of a mobile home, the Williams Fire fee (14.46) and the Columbus Rescue fee (4.82). Home is double listed in the name of George Allen Green Jr. Amount \$372.26, Value \$24,100.00, Year 2001, Account # 06-30591, Bill # 9175.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ray, Charles. Release the value of a mobile home, the Williams Fire fee (14.46) and the Columbus Rescue fee (4.82). Home is double listed in the name of George Allen Green Jr. Amount \$384.26, Value \$24,100.00, Year 2002, Account # 06-30591, Bill # 87189.

Release the Property Value in the name of Sauls, Margaret L.. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Klondyke Fire fee (15.96), and a portion of the Columbus Rescue fee (4.56). Property should have been in the land use program. Amount \$198.36, Value \$22,800.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-02825, Bill # 88838.

Release the Property Value in the name of Register, Lori. Release the balance of the user fee on a double wide that was repossessed in 2000. Amount \$3.27, Value \$0.00, Year 2000, Account # 01-75761, Bill # 8773.

Release the Property Value in the name of Register, Lori. Release the value of a double wide and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home was repossessed in 2000. Amount \$402.60, Value \$29,700.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-75761, Bill # 9519.

Release the Property Value in the name of Register, Lori. Release the value of a double wide and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home was repossessed in 2000. Amount \$414.60, Value \$29,700.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-75761, Bill # 87540.

Release the Property Value in the name of Rising, Marcus. Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire fee (25.00) and the Columbus County Rescue fee (1.28). Home is double listed in the name of Horace Fields. Amount \$258.19, Value \$6,384.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-00234, Bill # 87858.

Release the Property Value in the name of Sauls, Margaret. Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire fee (23.70), and the Columbus Rescue fee (4.74). Property should have been in the land use program. Amount \$213.30, Value \$23,700.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-03621, Bill # 88840.

Release the Property Value in the name of Small, Daniel. Release the value of a mobile home and the Klondyke Fire fee. Customer purchased permit for home but never purchased to home. Amount \$281.26, Value \$17,980.00, Year 2000, Account # 13-02505, Bill # 11619.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ray, Charles. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of George Allen Green Jr. Amount \$267.50, Value \$24,100.00, Year 1998, Account # 06-30591, Bill # 64607.

Release the Property Value in the name of Simmons, Harry. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home burned in 2001. Amount \$16.36, Value \$2,045.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-14480, Bill # 90079.

Release the User Fee in the name of Hammond, Alice W.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-10626, Bill # 72849.

Release the User Fee in the name of Hall, Margaret. The house is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-04215, Bill # 72723.

Release the User Fee in the name of Grigsby, Candice. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$118.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-03134, Bill # 72539.

Release the User Fee in the name of Green, Peggy I.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-25380, Bill # 72286.

Release the User Fee in the name of Graham, Collins. No trash can here. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-16080, Bill # 71641.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gibbons, Sylvia. No trash can here. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-04921, Bill # 70406.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gause, James. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$73.75, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-08940, Bill # 70079.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gause, James. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$73.75, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-04303, Bill # 70078.

Release the User Fee in the name of Hammonds, Derrel. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-17440, Bill # 72966.

Release the User Fee in the name of George, Barnell. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$29.50, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 14-04105, Bill # 70157.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gause, James A.. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$73.75, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-03059, Bill # 70081.

Release the User Fee in the name of Harper, Donald A.. No trash can at this address. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-00445, Bill # 73266.

Release the User Fee in the name of Harrelson, Carl. Release one of two user fee. They have one trash can only. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-08080, Bill # 73313.

Release the User Fee in the name of Hazelwood, Margaret. House vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-41723, Bill # 73833.

Release the User Fee in the name of Heiser, John. This is vacant land. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 04-05438, Bill # 73947.

Release the User Fee in the name of Henry, John. No trash can at this address. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-12781, Bill # 74042.

Release the User Fee in the name of Hill, Luther T.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 05-02960, Bill # 74555.

Release the User Fee in the name of Hudson, Shirley. This property does not exist. Amount \$100.00, Value \$0.00, Year 1998, Account # 15-19166, Bill # 37285.

Release the User Fee in the name of Johnson, Jodi L.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-01218, Bill # 76917.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gause, James A.. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$73.75, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-05911, Bill #

70082.

Release the User Fee in the name of Best, Proctor. This is vacant land. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-01620, Bill # 59321.

Release the User Fee in the name of Jolly, Mike L.. No trash can at this address. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-13688, Bill # 77098.

Release the User Fee in the name of Jolly, Sybil M.. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-21883, Bill # 77106.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ivey, Bonnie B.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 05-03100, Bill # 76066.

Release the User Fee in the name of Carroll, Thomas E.. Old store is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-08980, Bill # 62829.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ward, Richard K.. Mobile homes are not livable. Amount \$330.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2001, Account # 14-17340, Bill # 18848.

Release the User Fee in the name of Jones, Brenda F.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-02244, Bill # 77153.

Release the User Fee in the name of Barber, C.D.. No trash can here. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-01360, Bill # 58002.

Release the User Fee in the name of Benson, Essie C.. This is a vacant lot. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-01060, Bill # 59051.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bird, Gladys B.. House vacant and trash can picked up. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-05651, Bill # 59407.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bullard, Percy. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-01967, Bill # 61647.

Release the User Fee in the name of Baldwin, Ernest J.. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-00507, Bill # 57815.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bullard, Virginia. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-00956, Bill # 61666.

Release the User Fee in the name of Caldwell, Ddorothy. Release a portion of the user fee. They did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$125.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-03033, Bill # 62358.

Release the User Fee in the name of Carroll, Rhonda. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for the full year. Amount \$103.25, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-08866, Bill # 62799.

Release the User Fee in the name of Branch, J.C.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-02280, Bill # 60297.

Release the User Fee in the name of Carroll, Thomas E.. Release all user fees. No trash cans at this address. Amount \$354.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-05739, Bill # 62826.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gaines, Tommie. House unlivable. No trash can here. Amount \$75.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-30160, Bill # 92118.

Release the User Fee in the name of Cartrette, Roger D.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-03850, Bill # 63250.

Release the User Fee in the name of Council, J.B.. Business is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-06900, Bill # 64658.

Release the User Fee in the name of Creech, Wayne. Release one of two user fees. They have one can only. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-18183, Bill # 65014.

Release the User Fee in the name of Dennis, Pauline. House vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$0.00, Year 1998, Account # 13-10370, Bill # 45562.

Release the User Fee in the name of Dennis, Virginia. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 05-01680, Bill # 66007.

Release the User Fee in the name of Dorsey, Walton. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-10557, Bill # 66342.

Release the User Fee in the name of Dowless, Joseph. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 04-03523, Bill # 66403.

Release the User Fee in the name of Fields, Ossie. Release a portion of the user fee. Didi not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$59.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-26420, Bill # 68251.

Release the User Fee in the name of Foley, Carolyn. Release a portion of the user fee. They did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$59.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 16-01850, Bill # 68726.

Release the User Fee in the name of Freeman, Jason. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$44.25, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 04-03602, Bill # 69474.

Release the User Fee in the name of Carroll, Royce. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-15145, Bill # 62820.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wade, Betty. There is no trash can at this address. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 05-00552, Bill # 96071.

Release the User Fee in the name of Stephens, Jean. Customer billed with five (5) user fees. They only have two (2) trash cans. Amount \$261.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-01032, Bill # 92898.

Release the User Fee in the name of Stewart, Loula. Both houses are unlivable. No trash cans here. Amount \$354.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-90203, Bill # 93177.

Release the User Fee in the name of Strickland, Jeanette. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-17260, Bill # 93532.

Release the User Fee in the name of Suggs, Genevieve. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$59.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-24736, Bill # 93823.

Release the User Fee in the name of Teichman, Mary A.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-86092, Bill # 94312.

Release the User Fee in the name of Thomas, Larry. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$73.75, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-03021, Bill # 94387.

Release the User Fee in the name of Thompson, Ernest. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-27420, Bill # 94521.

Release the User Fee in the name of Thurman, Laconya. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value

\$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-05542, Bill # 94824.

Release the User Fee in the name of Tyler, Russell. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 08-19425, Bill # 95509.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ward, Margaret. Customer billed with two user fees. There is only one trash can here. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-29220, Bill # 96942.

Release the User Fee in the name of W & W Electric. Customer's are using a commercial hauler. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 02-09490, Bill # 95891.

Release the User Fee in the name of Smith, Iola. Old house has been torn down. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-85231, Bill # 90968.

Release the User Fee in the name of Walker, Doretha. Customer use's a commercial hauler. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-25723, Bill # 96164.

Release the User Fee in the name of Anderson, Ola B.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-00320, Bill # 57337.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ward, Richard K.. Mobile homes are not livable. Amount \$410.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2000, Account # 14-17340, Bill # 17840.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ward, Richard K.. Mobile homes are not livable. Amount \$354.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 14-17340, Bill # 97042.

Release the User Fee in the name of Webb, Catrena. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$125.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 04-00748, Bill # 97675.

Release the User Fee in the name of White, Elaine. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 02-04481, Bill # 98032.

Release the User Fee in the name of Whittington, Vernon. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 02-06163, Bill # 98345.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wimbush, Harold. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have a trash can for the full year. Amount \$118.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-03308, Bill # 99508.

Release the User Fee in the name of Worley, Emory. Customer's are using a commercial hauler. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 02-09063, Bill # 99704.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bowles, Barbara. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$103.25, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-01813, Bill # 60168.

Release the User Fee in the name of Varnum, Esau. Customer billed with two user fees. They only have one trash can. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 10-17493, Bill # 95745.

Release the User Fee in the name of Pierce, Dorothy H.. Customers are using a comercial hauler. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-19600, Bill # 85545.

Release the User Fee in the name of Lennon, Louise. Trash can was picked up in 2001. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-52540, Bill # 78883.

Release the User Fee in the name of Little, Benjamin. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-24025, Bill # 79243.

Release the User Fee in the name of Long, Haynes. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have

the trash can for a full year. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-16840, Bill # 79533.

Release the User Fee in the name of McNair, Jerline. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 10-10868, Bill # 81500.

Release the User Fee in the name of McPherson, Tommy A.. Old store is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-05132, Bill # 81901.

Release the User Fee in the name of Manning, Charlie. House is vacant. Amount \$165.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-58942, Bill # 2307.

Release the User Fee in the name of Manning, Charlie. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-58942, Bill # 80243.

Release the User Fee in the name of Mincey, Bobby. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 10-12403, Bill # 82636.

Release the User Fee in the name of Nance, Almata. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-28560, Bill # 83517.

Release the User Fee in the name of Newman, Hubert H.. Release user fee. Failed to receive full senior citizens exemption. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-65380, Bill # 83931.

Release the User Fee in the name of Stephens, Charles. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-29323, Bill # 92840.

Release the User Fee in the name of Pierce, Dorothy. Customers are using a commercial hauler. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 11-19600, Bill # 85544.

Release the User Fee in the name of Stanley, J.A.. Trash can picked up in 2001. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 09-28940, Bill # 92599.

Release the User Fee in the name of Pittman, Lola. There is no trash can at this address. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-00235, Bill # 85719.

Release the User Fee in the name of Pittman, Robert. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$118.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-70520, Bill # 85721.

Release the User Fee in the name of Reel, Ruth. House is vacant. Amount \$87.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 10-04132, Bill # 87433.

Release the User Fee in the name of Sellers, Glen. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-80515, Bill # 89220.

Release the User Fee in the name of Scott, Fannie. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-01860, Bill # 88997.

Release the User Fee in the name of Simpson, Calvin. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-34025, Bill # 90272.

Release the User Fee in the name of Sing, Ronald. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 07-05106, Bill # 90302.

Release the User Fee in the name of Smith, Cathy. Trash can was picked up in 2001. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-04548, Bill # 90710.

Release the User Fee in the name of Smith, David. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-84720, Bill # 90773.

Release the User Fee in the name of Jones, Ruth S.. Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year. Amount \$118.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-22155, Bill # 77391.

Release the User Fee in the name of Peoples, Willie S.. House is vacant. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 03-23354, Bill # 85268.

**TAX REFUNDS (as submitted to Administration from the Tax Office):
September 16, 2002**

Request a refund in the name of Smith, Roy Lee, 463 Huntingston St., New Haven, Conn. 06511. Refund value of mobile home that is double listed in the name of Jesse Smith. Amount \$276.53, Value \$25,400.00, Year 1998, Account # 03-22880, Bill # 68327.

Request a refund in the name of Smith, Roy Lee, 463 Hunningston St., New Haven, Conn. 06511. Refund value of mobile home that is double listed in the name of Jesse Smith. Amount \$276.53, Value \$25,400.00, Year 1999, Account # 03-22880, Bill # 30782.

Request a refund in the name of Smith, Roy Lee, 463 Hunnington St., New Haven, Conn. 06511. Refund value of mobile home that is double listed in the name of Jesse Smith. Amount \$467.88, Value \$25,400.00, Year 2000, Account # 03-22880, Bill # 12377.

Request a refund in the name of Smith, Roy Lee, 463 Hunnington St., New Haven, Conn. 06511. Refund the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home is double listed in the name of Jesse Smith. Amount \$368.20, Value \$25,400.00, Year 2001, Account # 03-22880, Bill # 13271.

Request a refund in the name of Tippet, Patsy S., 1637 Capitol View Dr., Holts Summit, MO. 65043. Refund a portion of the user fee. Ms. Tippet passed away and trash can was picked up. Make check payable to her son, James A. Tippet. Amount \$59.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-95500, Bill # 94887.

Request a refund in the name of Smith, Anthony, P.O. Box 423, Lake Waccamaw,, NC 28450. Refund value of old house that was torn down and replaced with double wide. Amount \$183.00, Value \$15,000.00, Year 2000, Account # 08-16660, Bill # 11721.

Request a refund in the name of Smith, Anthony, P.O. Box 423, Lake Waccamaw,, NC 28450. Refund the value of the old house that was torn down and replaced with a double wide home. Amount \$192.00, Value \$15,000.00, Year 2001, Account # 08-16660, Bill # 12591.

Budget Amendments:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditure	72-526-0000		\$30,000
	72-525-0000		\$10,000
Revenue	72-302-0000	Wireless Funds	\$30,000
	72-301-0000	E-911 Funds	\$10,000
Expenditure	10-582-3300	Departmental Supplies	\$19,890
Revenue	10-348-1001	Healthy Carolinians	\$19,890
Expenditure	10-606-6000	District Programs	\$475.00
Revenue	10-399-0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$475.00
Expenditure	10-603-3200	Demonstration Supplies	\$1,510
	10-603-3300	Educational Materials	\$500

Revenue	10-348-0201	4-H Healthy Carolinians	\$2,010
Expenditure	10-612-3200	Operating Cost	\$152
Revenue	10-399-0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$152
Expenditure	36-690-0100	Preliminary Engineering Report	\$15,000
	36-690-0200	Door to Door Survey	\$15,000
	36-690-0300	Grant Application	\$11,500
	36-650-9100	Transfer to Project	(\$4,200)
Revenue	36-348-2002	NC Rural Center Grant	\$37,300
Expenditure	10-540-0400	Professional Services	\$3,500
Revenue	10-399-0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$3,500
Expenditure	63-690-7300	Construction	\$29,740
Revenue	63-397-0000	Transfer From District II	\$29,740
Expenditure	33-680-9000	Transfer to Project Account	\$29,740
Revenue	33-399-0000	Retained Earnings Appropriated	\$29,740

CHAF PROGRAM UPDATE**Columbus County Summary Sheet****CHAF Program**Previous
8-30-02

TOTAL HOUSES			491	
Houses Inspected			491	
Replacement		286		286
Repair		205		205
Repair Work		205		
Work Write-up	0			0
Bids Complete, Not Awarded	0			0
Board Awarded, No Construction	95			101
Under Construction	28			28
Complete	82			76
Replacement Work		286		
Work Write-up	1			1
Board Awarded, No Construction	117			120
N.O.E. Sent	38			41
Under Construction	72			71
Complete	96			94
Not Visited			0	0
Legal Work				
Total Titles Requested	470			469
Titles Requested, Not Complete		81		85
Preliminary Title Complete		67		84
Prom. Note/Deed of Trust Requested, Not Signed		80		77
Prom Note/Deed of Trust Recorded		242		223

Chairman McKenzie has Floyd Adams what has the Governor done about the money that was

taken from the CHAF Program. Floyd Adams replied stating the Governor has placed the money back for Columbus County to use in a timely manner.

Commissioner Britt asked Floyd Adams what is the biggest bottle neck now in the CHAF Program. Floyd Adams replied stating the following:

1. Getting the legal work done; **and**
2. The Contractors can not get the work done quick enough.

APPOINTMENT to CHADBOURN'S PLANNING and ZONING BOARD

David Bone, Chadbourn Town Manager, is requesting the Board appoint Charles Merritt to replace Felton Grainger who resigned and to appoint Brad Walker as the ETJ Alternate to replace Wilbur Barnhill. Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Memory. After further discussion, Commissioner Norris withdrew his motion, Commissioner Memory withdrew his second. Commissioner Norris made a substitute motion to table this item until next meeting to get more information, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The substitute motion so carried.

PRIVATE CITIZEN CONCERN (RAY PRIEST)

Ray Priest, a private citizen, asked the Board **"Do I have to pay for garbage being hauled off?"** Chairman McKenzie replied stating the fee was established for the entirety of Columbus County to dispose of trash. Chairman McKenzie requested James E. Hill, Jr., Columbus County Attorney, to explain how the Solid Waste Fee was comprised. James E. Hill, Jr. stated the Solid Waste Fee is broken down into two (2) parts which are listed as follows:

1. **Collection:** the rollout container; **and**
2. **Disposal:** transporting the waste to the Landfill and disposal of the waste.

Commissioner Wilson stated there are items that cannot be disposed of at the Convenience Centers.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to pass the following Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Dutton. The motion so carried. This Resolution must be passed each year requesting transportation funds for local agencies and for the provision of rural public transportation services.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION

Applicant Seeking Permission to Apply for Community Transportation Program Funding,
Enter Into Agreement With The North Carolina Department Of Transportation
And to Provide the Necessary Assurances.

A motion was made by Commissioner C.E. Wilson and seconded by Commissioner David L. Dutton, Jr. for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, Article 2B. of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation will apply for a grant from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural public transportation services consistent with the policy requirements for planning, community and agency involvement, service design, service alternatives, training and conference participation, reporting and other requirements (drug and alcohol testing policy and program, disadvantaged business enterprise program, and fully allocated costs analysis); and

WHEREAS, Columbus County hereby assures and certifies that it will comply with the federal and state Statutes, regulations, executive orders. Section 5333 (b) Warranty, and all administrative requirements which relates to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration, as well as the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U. S. C.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Chairman of Columbus County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to submit a grant application for federal and state funding, make the necessary assurances and certifications and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural public transportation services.

I, June B. Hall, Clerk to Board, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners duly held on the 16th day of September, 2002.

/s/ June B. Hall
Signature of Certifying Official

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
(Name of Local Governing Board)

Subscribed and sworn to me 09-20-2002.

/s/ Deborah W. Long
(Notary Public)
234 Northwood Drive, Whiteville, NC 28472

My Commissioner Expires: 04-05-2005.

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ANNUAL REPORT

Kay Horne, Chief Probation/Parole Officer, presented the annual report for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 for the 13th Judicial District. She presented many statistical facts relating to the activities that had occurred within this department. Ms. Horne stated the department has two (2) supervisors which are herself and Billy Rushing and have many employees working under them.. She announced that Kelly Cartrette from Beverdam had been chosen as officer of the year out of two thousand (2,000) employees and she represented them well. This report will be on file in the Administration Office.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION (2002)

Vickie Pait, Families First Director, requested the Board to approve and adopt the following Resolution.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION (2002)

WHEREAS, violence against women and children continues to become more prevalent as a social problem due to the imbalance of power due to gender and age.

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or

groups of people but cross all economic, racial and societal barriers; and supported by societal indifference.

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security and humanity due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse.

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting women and children and society as a whole.

WHEREAS, it is battered women themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim that October, 2002, is *DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH* in Columbus County and call upon all citizens to join in making every home a safe home and to support Families First in working toward the elimination of personal and institutional violence against women.

ADOPTED, this the 16th day of September, 2002.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Amon E. McKenzie, Chairman

ATTESTED BY:
/s/ June B. Hall, Clerk to Board

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve and adopt, seconded by Commissioner Dutton. The motion so carried.

APPOINTMENT TO JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

Commissioner Jacobs made a motion for the following recommendation made by Columbus County Juvenile Prevention Council be approved. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

Darren L. Currie	Designee for County Administrator
Tammy McCracken	Replaces Kelly Lewis
Hilda Coleman	Designee for DSS Director
Leah Pait	
Meggie Warren	
Reverend E.C. Jones	
Caroline Staton	
Carol Worrell	Parks and Recreation Director

Commissioner Jacobs informed the Board he had visited Families First and had the privilege of a thorough tour conducted by Vickie Pait, Families First Director. During the tour, Commissioner Jacobs sited some structural problems with the building. Commissioner Jacobs made a motion for these structural problems to be looked into, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT II AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

At 8:51 P.M., Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Authority Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

This information will be recorded in the Minute Book for Columbus County Water and

Sewer District II.

ADJOURN COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT II AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

At 8:55 P.M., Commissioner Memory made a motion to adjourn the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Authority Board Meeting and enter into a Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Authority Board Meeting, seconded by commissioner Britt. The motion so carried.

This information will be recorded in the minute Book for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II.

ADJOURN COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING and resume REGULAR SESSION

At 8:59 P.M., Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to adjourn the Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Authority Board Meeting and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

SOIL and WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT and the DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE (DONNA REGISTER)

These two (2) items were tabled due to the absence of Donna Register, Soil and Water Conservation Director.

UNSPENT HURRICANE FLOYD PROJECT MONEY

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, requested the Board allocate four thousand and 00/100 (\$4,000.00) dollars of the sixteen thousand and 00/100 (\$16,000.00) dollars of Hurricane Floyd relief money remaining for the Waccamaw River project for this year, approve the corresponding budget amendment and reserve the remaining twelve thousand and 00/100 (\$12,000.00) dollars for stream maintenance as needed in the County for the future. Commissioner Dutton made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion so carried.

PROPOSED BUILDING INSPECTIONS FEE SCHEDULE

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, requested the Board approve the revised fee schedule proposed by the Planning Board to be effective January 1, 2003. Bill Ashley and Ivan Wilson were present to represent the Planning Board. Bill Ashley informed the Board there were four (4) parts to inspections and they are: 1) General, 2) HVAC, 3) Plumbing and 4) Electrical. He stated Columbus County was not generating enough revenue from the old schedule. The revised Columbus County Inspections Department Fee Schedule is as follows:

**COLUMBUS COUNTY INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT
FEE SCHEDULE**

Building Permits

Residential

Stick Built (4 trips) based on \$50.00 per square foot heated floor space.

Heated Floor Space

➤	Base Fee-	\$150
	\$4.00 per \$1,000 over \$50,000	

Unheated Floor Space:

➤	Closed in Garage	\$20.00/sq.ft.
➤	Porches	\$20.00/sq.ft.

- Decks \$20.00/sq.ft.
- Storage Buildings (above 200 sq.ft.) \$20.00/sq.ft.

Mobile/Modular Homes (marriage wall inspection required) (3 trips)

- SW Mobile home Set-up & footings \$100
- DW Mobile Home Set-up & footings \$150
- Modular Home \$150
- Garages \$20/Sq.ft.

Miscellaneous (2 trips)

- Buildings moved onto lots \$100
(Residential)
- Plus Plumbing and HVAC \$25 each
- Any addition to a building will be an added fee per square foot.

Commercial

Heated Floor Space (4 trips)

Base Fee \$150
\$4 per \$1,000 over \$50,000

Unheated Floor Space

- Based on \$20/Sq.Ft. for all unheated and unfinished area

Plumbing

Residential (2 trips)

- 0-12 fixtures \$10/ fixture
- 13 & up \$120 + \$2 per fixture
- Minimum fee for plumbing \$40
- Mobile Home Connections \$50
- Relocated House \$50
- Relocated House w/additional fixtures \$75

Commercial (2 trips)

- 0-12 fixtures \$10/ fixture
- 13 & up \$120 + \$5 per fixture

Electrical

Residential (New Construction) (2 trips)

- 0-200 amps \$70
- 201-400 amps \$110
- >400 amps \$130+ \$.30 per amp

Commercial (New Construction) (2 trips)

- 0-200 amps \$90
- 201-400 amps \$130
- >400 amps \$70 + \$.50 per amp

Service Upgrade (New Service) (1 trip)

- 0-200 amps \$50
- 201-400 amps \$70
- 400 & up \$70 + \$.30 per amp over 400

Wiring for Additions and Renovations with No Upgrades (1trip)

- 20 outlets \$30
- > 20 outlets \$40

Electrical Verification of Existing Service

- Residential \$30

➤	Commercial	\$30
➤	Temporary Pole	\$30

Mechanical

	Heat and Air (2 trips)	
➤	Up to 1,000 sq. ft.	\$60
➤	> 1,000 sq. ft.	\$60 + \$30 per 500 sq. ft.
➤	Unit Change Out	No fee

Miscellaneous Permits

➤	Insulation	\$30
➤	Swimming Pool	\$100
➤	Reinspection Fee	\$30
➤	Signs & Billboards (up to \$25,000)	\$75
	>\$25,000	\$150
➤	Towers(up to \$50,000)	\$150
	>\$50,000	\$150 + \$5 per \$1,000 in valuation
➤	All Additional Inspections	\$30

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

2002 CDBG #02-C-0947 PROGRAM (NEGOTIATIONS MEMO, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCUREMENT)

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, is requesting Board approval of the Adams Company as the Administrator of the 2002 CDBG Scattered Site Housing Program in Columbus County (#02-C-0947), at a rate of compensation of fourteen (14%) percent of the program amount, subject to such program being funded and money being received for such by the County. Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

FLOODPLAIN CERTIFICATES

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, request Board approval of a budget amendment increasing 10-399-0000 (General Fund - fund balance appropriated) by three thousand five hundred and 00/100 (\$3,500.00) dollars, and increase 10-540-4000 (Inspections - professional services) by three thousand five hundred and 00/100 (\$3,500.00) dollars. Commissioner Dutton made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Britt. The motion so carried.

APPROVAL of A RESOLUTION OF THE COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR AND PARTICIPATING IN A COALITION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES THAT ARE LOCAL FRANCHISING AUTHORITIES IN COMMUNITIES WHERE ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS IS A CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISEE, WHICH COALITION WILL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A STRATEGY FOR PROTECTING THE INTEREST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ITS RESIDENTS, AND ALL ADELPHIA CABLE TELEVISION SUBSCRIBERS IMPACTED BY THE ADELPHIA BANKRUPTCY

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, is requesting Board approval of the following Resolution.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF COLUMBUS, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR AND PARTICIPATING IN A COALITION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES

THAT ARE LOCAL FRANCHISING AUTHORITIES IN COMMUNITIES WHERE ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS IS A CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISEE, WHICH COALITION WILL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A STRATEGY FOR PROTECTING THE INTERESTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ITS RESIDENTS, AND ALL ADELPHIA CABLE TELEVISION SUBSCRIBERS IMPACTED BY THE ADELPHIA BANKRUPTCY

WHEREAS, Adelphia Communications, hereinafter referred to as Adelphia, has a cable television franchise agreement with our community; **and**

WHEREAS, in recent months, Adelphia has undergone well-publicized financial difficulties, including the disclosure of approximately \$3.1 billion in previously undisclosed off-balance sheet obligations, the commencement of a Securities and Exchange Commission and two federal grand jury investigations, allegations of widespread corporate fraud, substantial defaults on bondholder debts, numerous shareholder lawsuits against Adelphia, and the arrest of five former Adelphia corporate executives; **and**

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2002, Adelphia, and more that two hundred (200) of its subsidiaries, filed for bankruptcy protection; **and**

WHEREAS, recent press reports and other information indicate that Adelphia attempted to sell many of its franchises to third-parties within the two weeks prior to the bankruptcy filing, but those negotiations failed; **and**

WHEREAS, recent press reports and other information indicate that Adelphia has obtained \$1.5 billion in debtor-in-possession financing to sustain its operations while the bankruptcy is proceeding; **and**

WHEREAS, in the context of a bankruptcy, Adelphia will be required to assume, assign, or reject the current franchise agreement with our community, and during that process, the County of Columbus should play an active and important role so as to ensure that all franchise obligations are satisfied and local cable television subscribers receive the highest quality, uninterrupted, cable television service; **and**

WHEREAS, complicated legal and practical issues will arise during the course of the bankruptcy, which will require: (i) extensive analysis of local government's rights and obligations; (ii) preparation of financial documents and correspondence explaining the practical ramifications of the various proposals, including debt and equity restructurings that may arise; and (iii) a careful attention to the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, the quality and range of cable television services, and the financial and performance based rights of local government; **and**

WHEREAS, the anticipated bankruptcy may result in tension between local government's authority to control its public rights-of-way and duty to protect subscribers, Adelphia's creditors' desire to obtain maximum value from the Adelphia franchises with minimum delay, potential asset purchasers' desire to pay the lowest possible price and incur the minimum possible obligation when seeking to buy cable franchises from the bankruptcy estate, and the bankruptcy court's desire to quickly administer the case and confirm a bankruptcy plan; **and**

WHEREAS, by forming a coalition, local government can present a united front in the anticipated bankruptcy case, which will likely allow local government to assert more influence over the ultimate conditions under which Adelphia or some other cable operator will provide services to cable subscribers on a going-forward basis; **and**

WHEREAS, bankruptcy law provides, in some circumstances, for the formation of "committees" of parties sharing like interests in a bankruptcy proceeding; **and**

WHEREAS, press reports and other information indicate that Adelphia's management, as well as Adelphia's major creditors, are currently mapping out their respective bankruptcy strategies and committee formations, which are not likely to align with the fundamental objectives of local government with respect to cable television franchises; **and**

WHEREAS, if an official committee of local government entities were appointed by the United States Trustee, the professional fees incurred by the committee would be paid by the bankruptcy estate; **and**

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2002, the Executive Director of the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (hereinafter referred to as NATOA) and the President of the States of California and Nevada Chapter of NATOA (hereinafter referred to as SCAN NATOA) sent a letter to Adelphia's General Counsel soliciting Adelphia's support before the United States Trustee to appoint a local government committee; **and**

WHEREAS, on July 31, 2002, the County of St. Port Lucie, Florida, filed a motion in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for the creation of an official committee of local franchise authorities and a hearing date has been set for September 17, 2002; **and**

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2002, Adelphia responded to the NATOA/SCANNATOA letter and indicated that Adelphia would remain neutral (neither support nor oppose) on the formation of a local government committee.

NOW THEREFORE, the County of Columbus does hereby resolve as follows:

- Ø The Recitals above are hereby declared to be true, accurate, and correct.
- Ø Based upon and through the actions described in the above Recitals it is hereby determined that the County of Columbus will benefit from participating in a coalition of cities, counties, and special districts that act as the local government committee, which would strive to protect local government, its residents, and all Adolfo cable television subscribers impacted by the Adolfo bankruptcy.
- Ø Columbus County hereby expresses support for the appointment of an official committee of local government entities by the United States Trustee.
- Ø Columbus County approves participation of the County in the event such an official committee of local government entities is appointed by the United States Trustee and recommends that a representative from the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, 2216 West Meadowview Road, Suite 201, Greensboro, North Carolina 27407, telephone 336-294-4950 be appointed to such an official committee to represent our interests in this matter.

Adopted this 16th day of September, 2002.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Amon E. McKenzie, Chairman

ATTESTED BY:
/s/ June B. Hall, Clerk to Board

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A LAWSUIT TO RECOVER REIMBURSEMENT AND RECEIPT OF REVENUE DUE THE COUNTY OF COLUMBUS BEING ILLEGALLY WITHHELD BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, is requesting approval of the following Resolution.

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A LAWSUIT TO RECOVER REIMBURSEMENT AND RECIPT OF REVENUE DUE THE COUNTY OF COLUMBUS BEING ILLEGALLY WITHHELD BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the 641 towns, cities and counties of North Carolina have long depended on

tax revenues to which by law they are entitled upon collection by the Secretary of Revenue, and the General Assembly until now has historically held local governments harmless by appropriated reimbursement when one or more local revenue sources is diminished or eliminated; and

WHEREAS, local government revenues for FY 2001-2002 were withheld illegally for FY 2001-2002 by the Secretary of Revenue and it appears the Governor will order the Secretary to withhold FY 2002-2003 local revenues due to be paid beginning September 15, 2002 and otherwise; and

WHEREAS, no administrative remedy exists to correct the illegal conversion of the local revenues and a genuine controversy exists about proper interpretation of the law as to the ownership of the local tax revenues, and enactment of the pending clarifying legislation favoring local governments will likely not be enacted; and

WHEREAS, the General Court of Justice is the sole, proper and independent branch of government to make a final legal determination of the rights of the respective parties.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Columbus County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes its County Administrator and County Attorney to retain Boyce & Isley, PLLC, of Raleigh, North Carolina, at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00 with all other fees, costs and expenses of litigation, if any, paid on a contingency basis not to exceed fifteen percent (15%) of any total monetary recovery by settlement or judgment or as may be ordered by the Court. Outside counsel will agree to prosecute a civil action in Superior Court to have declared the legal rights of local government to recover past tax revenues and reimbursements withheld and to enjoin withholding of future tax revenues as above set forth.

ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2002.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ AMON E. MCKENZIE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
/s/ JUNE B. HALL, CLERK TO BOARD

After discussion, Commissioner Memory made a motion to table, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion so carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman McKenzie asked if anyone in the audience had anything they wanted to say. Ray Priest stood and stated he would like to be considered for the bids that will be let out on the work on Waccamaw River.

Chris Batten, Sheriff Elect, stood and returned thanks to everyone who voted for him and everyone who did not vote for him. He stated he was looking forward to working with everyone in this position.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION

At 9:15 P.M., Commissioner Memory made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Closed Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11.

No official action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION and RESUME REGULAR SESSION

At 9:49 P.M., Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

MOTION to PURCHASE HILLCREST PROPERTY

Commissioner Britt made a motion to allow James E. Hill, Jr., Columbus County Attorney, to process with the purchase of the Hillcrest Property, seconded by Commissioner Dutton. The motion so carried.

DISCUSSION OF HOLDING ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARING for AMENDMENT TO FLOOD PLAIN ORDINANCE

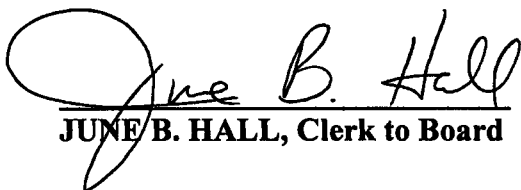
A brief discussion ensued among the Board regarding the hold of another public hearing on this matter. It was the consensus to the Board that since the public was allowed extra time for all to speak at this meeting, and since other public hearings had previously been held by local and state officials regarding this subject, another public hearing would not be held by this Columbus County Board of Commissioners on this matter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

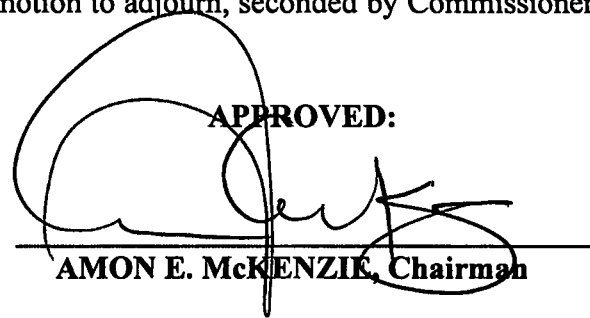
Commissioner Wilson announced the Finance Committee Meeting would be on Tuesday, September 17, 2002, at 3:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:51 P.M., Commissioner Britt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs. The motion so carried.



JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

APPROVED:


AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman