

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**Monday, May 03, 2010****6:30 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 conducting their regular scheduled meeting on the first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ **Chairman**
 Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
 Amon E. McKenzie
 James E. Prevatte
 Lynwood Norris
 Ricky Bullard
 Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
 Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
 Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

Agenda Items #1, #2 and #3:**MEETING CALLED to ORDER, INVOCATION and PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:**

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the May 03, 2010 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Board Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Ronald Gore. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Commissioner Amon E. McKenzie.

ADJUSTMENT of AGENDA:

Chairman Russ stated that he needed a motion made to delete Agenda Item Number 18. Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to delete Agenda Item Number 18, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #4: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the April 12, 2010 Department of Aging Workshop Minutes and the April 19, 2010 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #5: PUBLIC INPUT:

Chairman Russ opened the floor for public input. The following spoke:

Timothy C. Blackman, 103 North Madison Street, Whiteville, NC: stated the following:

1. I would like to encourage you to purchase the property in White's Crossing Plaza currently owned and occupied by Chase Clothing Stores for use as a Senior Citizens Center;
2. The building size is over 30,000 square feet;
3. The location is one of the best in Columbus County, with great parking, great accessibility, and it is in a safe and secure location;
4. Without considering the value of the building, the property is worth over \$500,000.00 compared to nearby value;
5. There is a four (4) acre lot in front of Blockbusters that sold for \$450,000.00 with no building;
6. There is better than an acre lot next to Dominoes Pizza valued at \$300,00.00 with no building;
7. There is also a lot next to Pizza Hut facing Highway 701 valued at \$300,000.00 that does not have a building;
8. The building is in excellent shape and lends itself to being upfitted for multiple uses;
9. It would even be an excellent place for a new Courthouse;
10. Obviously, economic times are tough and money is scarce, but we need to be careful and not only to look at the cost of something, but instead look at the value;
11. This property is a fantastic value in Columbus County.

Agenda Item #7: JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL - APPROVAL of ANNUAL PLAN INCLUDING ALLOCATION to PROGRAM FUNDING GRID, and ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ROSTER:

Greg Worthington, Chairman of the Columbus County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, requested approval of the annual plan including allocation to the Program Funding Grid, and the following annual membership roster.

Mr. Worthington stated the following:

1. Every year, the State of North Carolina allocates approximately \$200,000.00 annually, and this year it was \$198,917.00 to benefit the programs and services in Columbus County to help intervene with juvenile delinquency;
2. We have put out a request for funding proposal in the paper and we hold it open for 30 days and at the end of 30 days, the funding committee meets to determine what recommendations they would like to make from what they have seen from the request for funding proposals for the programs; **and**
3. You have been provided with copies of the programs and their funding for your approval.

Specified Members (G.S. 147-33.61)	Name	Title
School Superintendent or designee	Keith Jefferys	Assistant Superintendent
Chief of Police	Steven Shaw	Chief
Local Sheriff or designee	David Heller	Chaplin
District Attorney or designee	Rex Gore	Elected DA
Chief Court Counselor or designee	Olaf Thorson/Greg Worthington	Chief Court Counselor/ Supervisor
Director, AMH/DD/SA, or designee	Janine Britt	Coordinator
Director DSS or designee	Melinda Lane	Program Manager
County Manager or designee	William Clark	Manager
Substance Abuse Professional	Ricki Rouse	Substance Abuse Prof.
Member of Faith Community	Patrina Wright	Minister
County Commissioner	Giles E. "Buddy" Byrd	County Commissioner
Two Persons under age 18 (State Youth Council Representative, if available)	<u>Tim Deans</u>	<u>Student</u>
Juvenile Defense Attorney	Randy Cartrette	Attorney
Chief District Judge or designee	William Fairley	District Court Judge
Member of Business Community	Janice Young	Director
Local Health Director or designee	Kim Smith	Director
Rep. United Way/other non-profit	Greta Sellers	Assistant
Representative/Parks and Rec.	Julie Strickland	Director
County Commissioner appointee	Patrick Milligan	Appointee
County Commissioner appointee	Marie Tutwiler	Appointee
County Commissioner appointee	Nancy Sigmon	Appointee
County Commissioner appointee	Willis Nealey	Appointee
County Commissioner appointee	Faith Beking	Appointee
County Commissioner appointee	Sandra Lewis	Appointee

Specified Members (G.S. 147-33.61)	Name	Title
County Commissioner appointee	Vacant	---

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the annual plan including allocation to the Program Funding Grid, and the annual membership roster, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed. This information will be marked as Exhibit "B", and kept on file in the Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 4, for review.

Agenda Item #8: SHERIFF - APPROVAL to ACCEPT FUNDING from GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT:

Sheriff Christopher Batten requested Board approval to accept funding from the Governor's Highway Safety Grant in the following manner.

YEAR	GHSP FUNDING	%	LOCAL	%
1	205,498.34	100%	-0-	-0-
2	87,633.59	85%	15,464.75	15%
3	64,777.50	70%	27,761.78	30%
4	46,269.64	50%	46,269.64	50%
5	-0-	-0-	92,539.28	100%

Sheriff Batten stated the following:

1. This is an opportunity to receive personnel and equipment free of charge from the state;
2. In 2009, I invited the Sampson County supervisor down to explain to you the process and the benefits of having officers on the road working traffic, taking care of school zones and educating our children and our public on the dangers of driving while impaired and other traffic issues;
3. We requested four (4) personnel, and they cut us back to two (2), but in return they give us one hundred (100%) percent funding for the first year, and that is all the cars, equipment and everything that is needed to put officers on the highway; **and**
4. The only obligation the County has to the program after the fourth year is to fund it one (1) year in its entirety, and after that, there is no more obligation to the State to keep the two (2) officers or the program.

After discussion, Commissioner Bullard made a motion to take the funding from the Governor's Highway Safety Grant under advisement until a later date, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #9: BUILDING INSPECTIONS - APPROVAL and ADOPTION of REVISED BUILDING INSPECTIONS FEE SCHEDULE:

Ray Reeves, Building Inspections Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following **revised** Columbus County Building Inspections Fees Schedule.

Columbus County Building Inspections' Fees July, 2006
REVISED: 05-03-2010

(Building permits do not include electrical, plumbing, mechanical, insulation or other permits that may be required.)

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT

Single Family Dwelling	\$0.24 per sq. ft. heated
Duplex	\$0.24 per sq. ft. heated
Townhouse	\$0.24 per sq. ft. heated
Modular (Homes)	\$0.24 per sq. ft. heated
Home Addition	\$0.24 per sq. ft. heated
Accessory Building	\$0.24 per sq. ft. heated
All Unheated Area	\$0.20 per sq. ft.

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Minimum Building Permit:

	\$75.00
Finish Bonus room	\$75.00
Deck (Open)	\$75.00
Deck (Covered)	\$100.00
Porch (Open)	\$75.00
Porch (Covered)	\$100.00
Garage Enclosure	\$100.00
Re-model	\$100.00
(Includes Rehab., Moved Home and Re-roof, and any Home Improvement)	
Swimming Pool	\$75.00
Piers	\$100.00
Other	

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL BUILDING PERMIT

New construction	\$0.30 per sq. ft.
Minimum	\$100.00
Re-Model (Up to 1,000 Square Feet)	\$100.00
(Above 1,000 Square Feet, Add \$.10 Per Square Foot)	
Apartments	\$0.30 per sq. ft.
Modular (Office-Classroom)	\$0.24 per sq. ft.
Cell Tower	\$150.00
Other	

INSULATION PERMIT

Up to 1,000 sq. ft.	\$50.00
Above 1,000 sq. ft.	\$0.03 per sq. ft.

MOVING HOME

Mover must provide copy of license
(Requires inspection before moving)

In County Inspection	No Charge
Outside county Inspection	\$100.00
Moving Permit	\$150.00
Footing and Foundation	\$100.00

(Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing and Insulation Fees apply for work to the moved home per the applicable fee schedule)

MOBILE HOME SET-UP

All Single, Double and Triple Wide	\$75.00
Footing Permit	\$45.00

(Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing Fees Apply)

ELECTRICAL PERMITS

New Construction (up to 200 amp)	\$100.00
(Above 200 amp, Add \$0.25 per additional amp)	
Temporary Service Pole (90 Day)	\$40.00
Service Pole (100 amp max.)	\$40.00
(Pumps, electrical fences, gates, etc.)	
Temporary Power Certificate	\$100.00
(Commercial Only)	
A/C Wiring	\$40.00
Fire/Alarm System	\$50.00
Hood Suppression System	\$50.00
Service change (Up to 200 amp/No remodel)	\$50.00
(Above 200 amp, add \$0.25 per additional amp)	
Re-connection	\$50.00

Remodel (Residential):

Additional Outlets	
(Up to 20 - 120 Volt Outlets)	\$50.00
(Above 20, add \$0.50 per 120 volt outlet)	
(Add \$3.00 per any 240 volt outlet)	

Remodel (Commercial):

Additional Outlets	
(Up to 20 - 120 Volt Outlets)	\$50.00
(Above 20, add \$0.50 per 120 volt outlet)	
(Ass \$3.00 per any 240 volt outlet)	
Up to 20 -277 Volt Outlet	\$70.00
(Above 20, add \$2.00 per outlet)	
Up to 15 - 480 Volt Outlets	\$75.00
(Above 15, add \$4.00 per Outlet)	
(Outlets include wiring for motors, fans, lights, receptacles and machinery)	
Mobile Home (Single, Double and Triple Wide)	\$65.00
Modular (Residential and Commercial)	\$65.00
Sign	\$40.00
Swimming Pool	\$40.00
Pier	\$50.00

PLUMBING PERMITS

New Construction (Up to 10 Fixtures)	\$100.00
Each Additional Fixture	\$5.00
Additions/Remodel (Up to 5 Fixtures)	\$50.00
Each Additional Fixture	\$5.00
Sewer Line Replacement	\$30.00
Water Line (County)	\$30.00
County Water Connection (Waived)	XXXXXXX
(Provided Application for Connection is made before Completion of Water System and final Inspection)	
County Water Connection	\$30.00
Mobile Home (Single Wide)	\$40.00
Mobile Home (Double Wide / Triple Wide)	\$50.00
Modular	\$50.00
Gas Piping One Appliance	\$35.00
For Each Additional Appliance	\$5.00
Other	

Fixture Change Out / No Change in Drain Line Location:

One Trapped Fixture	\$30.00
Each Additional Fixture	\$4.00
Yard Sprinkler System	\$50.00
(Up to 15 heads)	
Additional Heads)	\$5.00
Hot Water Heater	\$30.00
Re-Location of Water Heater	\$40.00

Fire Sprinkler Systems:

Up to 10,000 sq. ft	\$150.00
(Above 10,000 sq. ft, add \$0.03 per sq. ft. to base fee)	
Other	

MECHANICAL PERMITS**New Installation Per Unit:**

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Per Ton \$30.00

Unit Change Out Only:

Per Ton \$20.00

Heating Systems / Chiller Systems:

(For all Furnaces, Boilers, Conversion Burners, Heat Exchangers, Hot Water Heating Systems, Commercial Hot Water Heaters and Chillers)

Fee Based on Each Unit:

Up to 100,000 BTU	\$60.00
100,001 to 250,000	\$70.00
250,001 to 450,000	\$80.00
450,001 to 650,000	\$90.00
850,001 to 1,500,000	\$110.00
Commercial Kitchen Hoods (Gas Commercial Stoves BTU Rate Above Applies)	\$50.00 Each
Gas Piping for One Unit	\$35.00
Additional Units	\$5.00
Other	

MISCELLANEOUS PERMITS

ABC Inspection	\$100.00
Tent Permit (Owner must provide copy of Fire Marshall Report before use)	\$50.00
Therapeutic Home Inspection/New	\$100.00
Annual Inspection	\$50.00
Day Care/New	\$100.00
Annual Inspection	\$50.00

Outdoor Advertisement:

Up to 32 sq. ft. (Above 32 sq. ft., add \$0.50 per each additional sq. ft.)	\$100.00
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Small Business:

Up to 16 sq. ft. (Add \$0.50 per additional sq. ft.)	\$50.00
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Subdivision Sign:

Up to 16 sq. ft. (Add \$0.50 per additional sq. ft.)	\$50.00
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*****All Lighted Signs Require an Electrical Permit*****

PENALTIES

Reinspection Fees	\$30.00
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Charge Double the Permit Fee if Work Begins Without a Permit.

Mr. Reeves stated the following:

1. This is being done as an incentive to encourage citizens to hook onto the County water system;
2. This will only be during the construction phase; **and**
3. Although the fee is being waived, the connection will still have to be scheduled for an inspection to be done.

Vice Chairman Byrd made a motion to approve the **revised** Columbus County Building Inspections Fees Schedule, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #6: BRUNSWICK FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT - PROPOSED EXTENSION:

Al Leonard, Town Consultant, requested the Board to accept the report for the proposed extension of Brunswick Fire Service District, and request that a Public Hearing be scheduled for June 21, 2010.

Mr. Leonard stated the following:

1. The Town of Brunswick is served by the Brunswick Volunteer Fire Department, as a separate corporation from the municipality;
2. Jointly the fire department and the Town Council have discussed, and would like to see the municipality of Brunswick become a part of the Brunswick Fire Tax District;
3. Last year, we decided we would start this process;
4. Basically, we had to prepare a report, and the next step would be to schedule a public hearing when the County Commissioners would allow the affected citizens to speak for or against this change in the district boundary; **and**
5. We are requesting that the public hearing be scheduled for June 21, 2010, and after that hearing, if you see fit to make the change, all of this could happen and we could start the new budget year united there in Brunswick Fire Service District.

Mike Stephens, County Attorney, stated the following:

1. In reference to the public hearing, the citizens of the affected area have to receive notice, by mail, thirty (30) days before the public hearing;
2. That will give enough time to whoever the Board designates to be responsible for mailing out those notices, and the person that you designate to mail out those notices has to certify that those notices were, in fact, mailed out;
3. Jeremy Jernigan, Emergency Services Director, has contacted me, and it is my understanding that the Brunswick Volunteer Fire Department is working closely with the Town of Brunswick and they are willing to assist Brunswick in this process;
4. The Town of Brunswick submitted a report which is required by General Statute, along with a map of the affected area, that must be posted for public viewing, along with the map, in the Clerk to the Board's office, and this has been done; **and**
5. The time frame is ticking now.

Discussion was conducted relative to the following:

1. Who will be responsible for collecting the taxes? (County);
2. Why are you doing this now, and not before? (For the benefit of the fire department and equity for the taxpayers);
3. How much of a tax increase? (None);
4. The proposed goal - If County will add five cents to the tax bill, city government will reduce their tax rate by five cents with no net increase;
5. This goes into effect the next fiscal year;
6. How much is the town valued at, and how much revenue are you looking to generate? (Information not available, but will be available at the public hearing.);
7. The need to use the same tax rate?; **and**
8. Five cents is the present tax rate.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to accept the report for the proposed extension of Brunswick Fire Service District, establish a Public Hearing for June 21, 2010, at 6:30 P.M., and to designate the Town of Brunswick to send the notices out to the citizens in the affected area, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this report will be marked as Exhibit "A", and kept on file in the Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 3, in the Office of the Clerk to the Board, for review.

Agenda Item #10: MAINTENANCE - APPROVAL of SERVICES CONTRACT:

Tony Soles, Maintenance Director, requested Board approval of the following Services Contract with Republic Industries, Incorporated, for asbestos abatement at the Columbus County Courthouse.

THIS CONTRACT, entered into and effective as of the date signed by the Chairman of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, by and between the COUNTY OF COLUMBUS (hereinafter called "COUNTY"), and REPUBLIC INDUSTRIES, INC., a North Carolina corporation (hereinafter called "CONTRACTOR"), whose principal office and place of business is in New Hanover County, North Carolina;

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, COUNTY has advertised for bids for the purpose of obtaining quotations for asbestos abatement in the Columbus County Courthouse; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has submitted the low bid for the project as shown in Specification for Bids, attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has agreed to be employed at the stated low bid of Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$15,950.00), as an independent contractor and will receive no COUNTY benefits or any benefits of protection as a COUNTY employee.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services. CONTRACTOR shall provide the services set forth as follows:
 - A. Remove all asbestos containing insulation on piping in the boiler room.
 - B. Remove all asbestos containing insulation on the small boiler in the boiler room.
 - C. Remove asbestos insulation and decontaminate the soil in the crawlspace beneath the Courthouse Building. Soil shall be cleaned of all visible asbestos debris. Large items of debris such as stones and bricks shall remain in the crawl space.
 - D. Provide all ambient air monitoring, visual inspection and clearance testing in accordance to NC Asbestos Standards Par. 10 NCAC 41C.0607 (Work to be performed by an accredited air monitor hired by CONTRACTOR)
 - E. Work includes placing all miscellaneous materials, tools, and other movable objects in the boiler room into the enclosed storage rooms in the basement. These items shall be removed from the electrical room upon completion of the work. Other items shall remain in the other storage room.

All work to be performed in accordance with EPA, OSHA and NC regulations. Specifically, all insulation materials will be removed as NESHAPS applicable, NC State Permitted, OSHA Class 1 work.

2. Term of Agreement. The work to be performed under this Contract shall be accomplished in a 3-day weekend, tentatively scheduled for May 29-31, 2010, but in no event extend beyond _____.
3. Payment. COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR for services rendered pursuant to this Contract, the sum of Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$15,950.00) to be paid in full upon completion of the services and satisfaction of COUNTY of the services performed.
4. Exclusive Agreement. This Contract is exclusive. The COUNTY does not reserve the right to contract with other independent contractors to perform same or similar duties during the duration of this Contract. CONTRACTOR, however, is not exclusively bound to COUNTY, and is free to pursue other private employment on either a full or part time basis.
5. Minimum Qualifications. CONTRACTOR, or CONTRACTOR's employees, shall possess and maintain the minimum qualifications required to perform the services.
6. Independent Contractor. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that, in entering into this Contract and providing services, CONTRACTOR is acting as an independent contractor; neither

CONTRACTOR nor its employees, members or personnel shall be deemed or construed to be employees of COUNTY at any time during the duration of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for payment of all required State and Federal taxes PROVIDED HOWEVER, that CONTRACTOR, shall provide such documentation as COUNTY deems necessary to meet any and all federal and state tax guidelines regarding employment contract employees.

As such, CONTRACTOR is not entitled to, or shall be eligible for, any benefits provided by COUNTY to any of its permanent or temporary employees, including but not limited to vacation leave, sick leave, retirement, longevity and group insurance.

7. Indemnity. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold COUNTY, its agents and employees, harmless against any loss and all claims, demands, causes of actions, or other liability, including attorneys fees, on account of contract or personal injuries or death or on account of property damages arising out of or relating to the work to be performed by CONTRACTOR hereunder, resulting from the negligence of or the willful act or omission of CONTRACTOR, its agents, employees and subcontractors.

COUNTY hereby agrees it shall indemnify and hold CONTRACTOR harmless from all claims, demands causes of actions, or other liability, including attorney's fees, resulting from or on account of personal injuries or death, or on account of property damages arising out of or relating to the work to be performed by COUNTY'S employees hereunder, resulting from the negligence of COUNTY'S employees.

8. Insurance. CONTRACTOR shall maintain insurance from companies licensed to write business in North Carolina, with an A.M. Best rating of "A" or higher, and acceptable to COUNTY, of the kinds and minimum amounts specified below.
- A. CONTRACTOR shall maintain liability insurance providing liability limits of a minimum amount of ONE MILLION DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$1,000,000.00) annual aggregate. CONTRACTOR shall have his insurance agent furnish COUNTY a certificate of insurance evidencing the existence of such coverage, and providing for fifteen (15) days notice of any material change in coverage.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall maintain workers compensation and Employers Liability Insurance covering all of CONTRACTOR's employees to be engaged in the work under this contract, providing the required statutory benefits under North Carolina Workers Compensation Law, and employer's liability insurance providing limits at least in the amount of \$100,000/500,000/100,000 applicable to claims due to bodily injury by accident or disease.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall maintain Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles, and providing liability limits at least in the amount of \$250,000 per person and per occurrence for bodily injury and \$100,000.00 for property damage.
9. Extra Work. COUNTY and CONTRACTOR shall negotiate and agree upon the value of any extra work prior to the commencement of such extra work, including but not limited to the amount of Contract price change.
10. Conflict of Interest. No paid employee of COUNTY shall have a personal or financial interest, direct or indirect, as a contracting party or otherwise, in the performance of this Contract.
11. Subcontracts. CONTRACTOR shall utilize no subcontractors for carrying out the services to be performed under this Contract without the written approval of the COUNTY.
12. Binding Effect. This Contract shall be binding upon the parties hereto, and their heirs, successors, executors, administrators and assigns.
13. Further Actions. The parties will make and execute all further instruments and documents required to carry out the purposes and intent of this Contract.
14. Inclusive Terms. Use of the masculine herein shall include the feminine and neuter, and the

singular shall include the plural.

15. Governing Law. All of the terms and conditions contained herein shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.
16. Assignability. It is mutually agreed by the parties hereto that this Contract is not transferable and shall not be assigned by either party without the written consent of the other party to this Contract.
17. Nondiscrimination. CONTRACTOR will take affirmative action not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or otherwise illegally deny any person participation in or the benefits of the activities which are the subject of this contract, because of race, creed, color, sex, age, disability, or national origin.
18. Non-appropriation. All funds for payment by COUNTY under this Contract are subject to the availability of any annual appropriation for this purpose by the Board of Commissioners. In the event of non-appropriation of funds by the Board of Commissioners for the services provided under the contract, COUNTY will terminate this Contract, without termination charge or liability, on the last day of the then-current fiscal year or when the appropriation made for then-current year for the services/items covered by this Contract is spent, whichever occurs first. If at any time funds are not appropriated for the continuance of this Contract, cancellation shall be accepted by CONTRACTOR on thirty (30) days' prior written notice, but failure to give such notice shall be of no effect and the COUNTY shall not be obligated under this Contract beyond the date of termination.
19. Amendments. This Contract shall not be modified or otherwise amended except in writing signed by the parties.
20. Termination. This Contract may be terminated at any time by either party, without penalty, provided that written notice of such termination is furnished to the other party at least sixty (60) days prior to termination. Net payment shall be appropriated at the date of termination.
21. Entire Agreement. This Contract constitutes the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes all prior and independent agreements between the parties covering the subject matter hereof. Any change or modification of this Contract must be in writing signed by both parties.
22. Full Disclosure
 - a. It is hereby understood by each and every party to this Contract that this Contract and its terms are fair and reasonable to the parties here undersigned and are fully disclosed and transmitted, in writing, to each party to this Contract in a manner that should reasonably be, or have been, understood by each party; and
 - b. It is hereby understood by each and every party to this Contract are each advised by this section, in writing, that each party may seek the advice of an independent Attorney at Law of their own autonomous choice and each party is hereby given reasonable opportunity and time to seek said advice; and
 - c. It is hereby understood, that each party to this Contract hereby consents, in writing, to the terms of this Contract.
23. Notice. All notice required hereunder to be sent to either party shall be sent to the following designated addresses, or to such other address or addresses as may hereafter be designated by either party by mailing of written notice of such change of address, by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested:

To County:
 Columbus County Attorney
 Attention: Mike Stephens
 111 Washington Street
 Whiteville, North Carolina 28472

To Contractor:
 Republic Industries, Inc
 Attention: David A. Nugent, President

P.O. Box 15269
Wilmington, NC 28408

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused the execution of the foregoing instrument, by authority duly given and in duplicate originals, to be effective on the date of signing by the Chairman of the Columbus County Commissioners.

COLUMBUS COUNTY

By: /s/ P. Edwin Russ, Chairman
Columbus County Commissioners

Date Signed: May 03, 2010

Attested by:

/s/ June B. Hall
Clerk to the Board

REPUBLIC INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: _____ (SEAL)
David A. Nugent, President

Date Signed: _____

Approved as to form:

/s/ Mike Stephens
County Attorney

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

/s/ Bobbie Faircloth
County Finance Officer

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

This 4th day of May, 2010, personally came before me, Paulette S. Varnam, a Notary Public Brunswick County, June B. Hall, who being by me duly sworn, says that she knows the official seal of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and is acquainted with P. Edwin Russ, who is Chairman of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and that she is the Clerk of the said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and saw the Chairman sign the foregoing instrument, and saw the said official seal of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County affixed to the said instrument in the presence of said Chairman of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, all by order of said Board.

WITNESS my hand and official seal or stamp, this the 4th day of May, 2010.

(SEAL)

/s/ Paulette A. Varnam
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: 08-18-2012.

NORTH CAROLINA
COLUMBUS COUNTY

I, _____, a Notary Public for _____ County, do certify that on this the ____ day of _____, 2010, personally appeared before me David A. Nugent, President of Republic Industries, Inc., proved to me by satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is signed on the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he signed it voluntarily on behalf of the corporation and in the capacity stated, for the purposes therein stated.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this _____, day of _____, 2010.

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the Services Contract with Republic Industries, Incorporated, at the cost of fifteen thousand, nine hundred fifty, and 00/100 (\$15,950.00) dollars for asbestos abatement at the Columbus County Courthouse, seconded by Vice Chairman Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #11: MAINTENANCE - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Tony Soles, Maintenance Director, delivered the following Departmental Update to the Board.

1. I appreciate this opportunity to be here tonight to highlight some of the notable achievements that have been completed by the Maintenance Department, as well as, update you on projects that are in progress.
2. In addition to over one thousand four hundred twenty (1,420) completed work orders, we have been busy with various projects since July 1, 2009. We have given the lobby at the Department of Social Services a facelift with new ceramic tile, and upgraded the walls with new wallpaper. Also at DSS we repaired a large hole in the back parking lot.
3. The Maintenance Department played a key role in moving the Intensive Probation functions into A county facility when the state cut funding for their rental property.
4. By the end of this week we hope to have a temporary certificate of occupancy from the City of Whiteville for the newly renovated District Attorney's office, and we are looking forward to having them move, in the near future.
5. The Maintenance Department is engaged on a continuing basis to address findings in recent visits to our Court facilities by the Administrative office of the Courts, the Whiteville Fire Marshal and Building Inspector.
6. In an effort to curb utility cost, we applied for an Energy Efficiency Grant that would allow us to upgrade the lighting systems in many of our older facilities. The new lighting systems could save the County up to 32% on our electric bills for those facilities. That would put us ahead of our goal to reduce energy consumption 5% by 2012 and 10% by 2015.
7. Also, we are investigating other "GREEN" initiatives such as solar collectors to provide hot water to our Detention Facility.

Agenda Item #12: BUILDING INSPECTIONS - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Ray Reeves, Building Inspections Director, delivered the following Departmental Update to the Board.

FY	MONTH	REV	PERMITS ISSUED	FY	MONTH	REV	PERMITS ISSUED
08/09	July-08	32,095.26	328	09/10	July -09	17,281.84	188
	Aug-08	20,522.70	207		Aug-09	14,452.22	147
	Sep-08	22,284.06	202		Sep-09	17,740.64	215
	Oct-08	18,283.60	258		Oct-09	17,072.06	185
	Nov-08	13,700.00	139		Nov-09	11,194.19	114
	Dec-08	16,120.39	150		Dec-09	16,747.98	178
	Jan-09	23,654.55	150		Jan-10	10,100.08	299
	Feb-09	15,772.30	159		Feb-10	14,318.56	296
	Mar-09	16905.04	156		Mar-10	23,480.22	335

FY	MONTH	REV	PERMITS ISSUED	FY	MONTH	REV	PERMITS ISSUED
	Apr-09	22,499.40	170		Apr-10	20,137.70	199
	May-09	18,465.88	184				
	June-09	20,030.08	206				

**PERMITS ISSUED/INSP
COMPLETED BY CALENDAR YEAR**

YR	BLDG	ELECTR	MECH/ HVAC	PLUMB	INSUL	INSPEC'S COMPL'D
2007	700	1,049	388	520	75	6,101
2008	563	910	360	479	59	5,009
2009	481	753	417	317	84	4,385
As Of: April 2010	141	292	140	96	20	1,326

NOTE: Drop in inspections from 2007 until current date is due to, in part, the reduction in re-inspections.

Agenda Item #13: PURCHASING - APPROVAL OF MULTI-TIERED CELL PHONE PROGRAM:

Stuart Carroll, Purchasing Director, requested Board approval of the following multi-tiered Cellular Phone Program.

CELLULAR PHONE PROGRAM

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this program is to establish a multi-tiered program for managing cell phone use as an employee of Columbus County. Cellular phone technology is a valuable communication tool and is integral to the operations of the County Government. The voice functionality of cellular phones combined with other cellular features, such as messaging and access to numerous online resources, establishes the cell phone as a necessary and effective tool for certain employees of the County.

II. DEFINITIONS

Standard Phone: a cell phone with the standard features to allow voice calling.

Stipend: A taxable sum of money paid on a regular basis included in an employee's paycheck.

Smartphone: A mobile phone offering advanced capabilities beyond a typical cell phone, often with PC-like functionality. These advanced capabilities usually include email and internet functionality and normally require a data package to be purchased with the service provider's plan. At a minimum the Smartphone must be capable of sending and receiving messages through the County's email server.

Personal call: A call made by a County employee that is personal in nature and not related to Columbus County business. The term personal call also includes personal text messages.

Emergency personal call: An infrequent personal call that is of an urgent nature where using a County owned cell phone is the best option available.

III. TAXABLE FRINGE BENEFITS

It is the desire of Columbus County to comply with IRS regulations regarding the taxation of any non-cash fringe benefit. According to the IRS Code Section 280F(d)(4)(A)(v), created in 1989, cell phones are to be considered “listed property” and are designated by the IRS as lending themselves easily to personal use. Although the use of cell phones is much more widespread and economical today, they are susceptible to the substantiation rules applicable to taxable fringe benefits.

IRS rules require employers track personal calls made on an employer-provided cell phone. When an employer does not do this, the entire cost of the equipment and service becomes taxable to the employee. One of the primary purposes of this program is to clearly differentiate between cell phones that are considered a taxable fringe benefit and those that are not.

IV. MULTI-TIERED PROGRAM

In order to comply with IRS regulations; Columbus County has developed a program to offer choices to County employees based on their need for cell phones within their current job requirements. Based on the program below, employees approved for cell phone usage may request the most appropriate option.

Either option requires strong consideration by management. Department Managers must establish the need for cell phone and/or Smartphone functionality for each employee. All requests for cellular service or benefits must be approved by the County Manager.

Option 1: Standard County Owned Phone

This is an accountable (non-taxable) plan with the following requirements:

- Personal calls are prohibited
- Emergency personal calls (and/or other charges) are reimbursed by the employee at a rate calculated according to the current contract per minute rate for overage charges.
- Employees will be held primarily responsible for complying with the Cell Phone Policy. Employee’s phone bills are reviewed by their Department Managers each month.
- Phone bills are also audited regularly by the Purchasing and Finance Department for compliance.

Suitable For:

- Employee who makes or receives no personal calls
- Situations where the phone is assigned to a position or to a piece of equipment
- Situations where more than one employee shares a phone

Option 2: Phone Stipend

This is a non-accountable (taxable) plan with the following requirements:

- Employee is paid a taxable stipend in each paycheck
\$25.00 for a standard phone
\$45.00 for a Smartphone
- Employee purchases a phone and plan of their choice
Smartphones must be chosen from a compatible network and software
The IT Department must be consulted before choosing a Smartphone
- Employee agrees to allow the County to publish their number internally for business purposes and to accept business call and/or messages on the phone.
- Employee and carrier is responsible for technical support of the phone, plan and functionality.
- Employee must retain an active cell phone contract as long as a cell phone stipend is in place. A copy of the invoice may be requested yearly to verify the plan is active.
- Employee will be responsible for all costs related to the phone including accessories.
- If for any reason the County should terminate an employee’s cell phone stipend, the County shall not be responsible for any costs or fees associated with ongoing service costs or contract termination fees.
- If cell phone stipends are discontinued for budgetary reasons, a 90 day notice of such termination will be given by the County.

Suitable For:

- Employee who maintains a cell phone for personal use and does not desire to carry two phones
- Employee who needs constant communication with customers and co-workers via voice, email, and other messaging features.

Option 3: Reimbursement for County business calls

If an employee on average doesn't use a cell phone more than 25 minutes per month, then the application for either Option 1 or 2 may not be cost effective to the County. For this, Option 3 is established and should be considered by management.

- Employee using their own cell phones will be reimbursed up to 24 minutes, based on the rate calculated according to their current contract per minute rate.
- A copy of the employee's phone bill must be attached to the reimbursement request.

Suitable For:

- Employees who seldom need to use a cell phone for County business

V. PROCEDURE

Department Managers will complete a Cell Phone Request Form. The employee may choose either Option 1 or Option 2. For situations in which a phone is assigned to a position or to a piece of equipment, such as a tractor, the phone should remain within the department at the end of the day. The Request Form will be forwarded to the Purchasing Department for processing.

Each request for Option 2 must include the cell phone number assigned to the phone and the name of the carrier supplying the service. Once the request has been approved, the Purchasing Department will forward the request to the Finance Department for payroll processing.

If an employee is out of work for more than 30 days, their phone privileges must be suspended. Under Option 1, the employee would turn the County cell phone in to their Department Manager/Supervisor. Under Option 2, the employee's stipend would be suspended.

Under Option 3, reimbursements are made in the same manner as all others. Employee must submit a reimbursement request and provide documentation to support the reimbursement. The Department Manager is responsible for reviewing the request and sign that the information is accurate.

All employees who receive cell phone from the County of Columbus under this policy must agree to abide by all of the provisions of this policy. Any employee found to be out of compliance with the provisions may have their cell phone privileges revoked and be subject to other disciplinary measures.

Mr. Carroll stated the following:

1. I manage ninety-seven (97) cell phones for employees from various departments;
2. I do not manage the cell phones for the Sheriff's Department and Emergency Services;
3. These cell phones are costing approximately two thousand and 00/100 (\$2,000.00) dollars per month;
4. Alltel was purchased by Verizon Wireless who will start charging thirty and 00/100 (\$30.00) dollars per phone and a total of three hundred (300) minutes;
5. I have twenty-five (25) cell phones with zero to very little usage;
6. There are four (4) benefits to this 3-Tier Cellular Phone Program, and they are as follows:
 - A. Meet the IRS requirements (as of 1989);
 - B. Will be a savings to the County;
 - C. Employees will have an option; **and**
 - D. This will be easier to manage.

Discussion was conducted regarding the following:

1. The high number of cellular phones and if they are actually needed;
2. The possible encouragement of employees to make personal calls;
3. The total cost of giving employees the sum of twenty-five and 00/100 (\$25.00) dollars per month for a cellular phone;

4. The need to see a list of all the employees that have cellular phones;
5. The cost of ninety-seven (97) cellular phones at \$30.00 per month equates to \$2,910;
6. The cost of giving each employee \$25.00 per month with ninety-seven (97) cellular phones is \$2,425.00;
7. Are the cellular phones eratable?; **and**
8. The need for additional information.

Commissioner Gore made a motion to table this matter until the April 17, 2010 Meeting, for the sake of obtaining additional information, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: PURCHASING - APPROVAL and ADOPTION of DECLARATION of SURPLUS PROPERTY RESOLUTION:

Stuart Carroll, Purchasing Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Declaration of Surplus Property Resolution.

**DECLARATION of SURPLUS PROPERTY
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Columbus County is desirous of selling certain surplus property as listed on attached sheets; **and**

WHEREAS, this property is now declared surplus property; **and**

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 160A-270 allows the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, to adopt a resolution authorizing the appropriate official to dispose of said surplus by public auction; **and**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, has elected to dispose of said property by public auction on June 3rd, 2010, at 9:00 am at the Columbus County Sheriff Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners that the Purchasing Director is selected as the appropriate and official person who will direct the disposal of said surplus property.

Any questions concerning the said sale should be directed to the Purchasing Director, 111 Washington St, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, and Telephone (910) 640-1868.

ADOPTED this the 3rd day of May, 2010

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Edwiin Russ, Chairman

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

2010 Surplus Items.....

55 CRT monitors	out-dates technology
16 desktop computers	“
2 flatbed scanners	“
3 routers	“
3 laptops	“
4 LCD monitors	damaged
4 UPS units	out-dated
3 boxes of misc cables and parts	
1 Epson printer	out-dated
1 computer tower	“
2 boxes of old continuous roll printer paper	
5 old ink cartridges	
4 toner's for old Konica copier	
TV wall mount	

4 fax machine	out-dated, inoperable
IBM 7208 342 w/cable	in-operable
15 printers	“
Infoprint 21 printer	“
9 adding machines/calculators	“
3 typewriters	“
Printronic printer	out-dated
Ice machine	in-operable
3 vacuum cleaners	in-operable
Various chairs...office, stackable, desk	damaged
Console TV	in-operable
Various desk...wood, metal	damaged
3 hospital beds	out-dated, inoperable
Box of various radio parts/equipment	out-dated, inoperable
Truck tool box	damaged
3 file cabinets	“
1 book shelf	“
1 floor copier	out-dated, damaged
Gas stove	damaged
4 treadmills	out-dated, in-operable
6 back-up repeaters	inoperable
4 communication consoles	inoperable
450 treated 1x4x16'	
Tractor backhoe attachment	fair-condition, operable

2010 Surplus Vehicles.....

93 Chevy Caprice	1G1BL5373PW115763
175,415	run/parked
87 Ford Ranger	1FTBR10A4HVC62847
165,238	engine issue
93 Ford Diesel Truck	1FTHF25M4PNA61955
230,315	fuel pump
96 Ford F150	1FTEF15Y2TNA31413
318,094	cracked head
94 Ford Escort	1FARP15J2RW172783
126,531	run/parked, wiring issues
99 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W2XX122894
203,000	run/parked
00 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W8YX137448
265,000	run/parked, bad rear axle
99 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W4XX122895
199,500	parts removed, will not run
97 Ford Crown Vic	2FALP71W2VX102788
210,000	run/parked
00 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71WXYX186294
	Totaled, no motor, no title
94 Ford Crown Vic	2FALP71W1RX153883
197,000	Run/parked
95 Ford Crown Vic	2FALP71W65X191194
229,000	run/parked
04 Dodge Intrepid	2B3HD46R44H670724
85,000	Run/parked, wiring issues

Items from the Sheriff Department....

Stihl leaf blower
 Jigsaw
 5 bicycles
 A/C window unit
 Mixer board sound system
 Cub cadet 42" mower
 3 8x5 utility trailers
 5000 watt generator
 Chainsaw

2 step ladders
Rigid auger
Mule plow
Sony DVD player
Panasonic CD receiver car stereo
Reciprocation saw
Black & Decker cordless drill
B&D saw
Danyand City cordless drill, case, charger and bits
Electric staple gun
Finish nail gun
Brad nail gun

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve and adopt the Declaration of Surplus Property Resolution, and the attached list of items, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: PURCHASING - APPROVAL and ADOPTION of RESOLUTION FOR DISPOSAL of SURPLUS PROPERTY:

Stuart Carroll, Purchasing Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Resolution for Disposal of Surplus Property.

RESOLUTION FOR DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Whereas, The Board of Commissioners has identified the personal property hereinafter identified as surplus, **and**

Whereas, N.C.G.S. 160A-270B authorizes the Board to sell said property by public auctions, **and**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Purchasing Director for the County, is hereby authorized to conduct a sale, on June 3rd, 2010 at 9:00 o'clock at the Columbus County Sheriff Department, of the personal property hereinafter described as per attached sheet,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

- 1) That ALL property sold will be "AS IS" without warranty.
- 2) Upon completion of sale, the highest bidder shall make arrangements with the Purchasing Director to remove items purchased from the premises that are not able to be removed immediately. Failure to comply shall, at the option of the county, cause the property to be abandoned and/or disposed of.
- 3) This Resolution shall be published in the News Reporter on a date at least ten (10) days prior to said auction and shall constitute the Notice of Sale required under law.

This is the 3rd day of May, 2010

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BY: /s/ Edwin Russ, Chairman

Attested by:
/s/ June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve and adopt the Resolution for Disposal of Surplus Property, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

Discussion was conducted relative to the 2004 Dodge Intrepid, Vehicle Number: 2B3HD46R44H670724, with only 85,000 miles being on the list, and the possibility of the said vehicle being repaired

AMENDED MOTION:

Commissioner Prevatte amended his motion to approve and adopt the Resolution for Disposal of Surplus Property, with the exception of the 2004 Dodge Intrepid, Vehicle Number: 2B3HD46R44H670724. Commissioner McKenzie amended his second. The amended motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: Board / Committee Appointments: June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested the following appointments and/or re-appointments be made:

	COMMITTEE	NAME	EXP DATE	BOARD ACTION
EB	Brunswick Zoning, Planning Board and Board of Adjustments Motion: Prevatte Second: Norris	Caletta Faulk	05-17-2010	Re-Appoint
EB	Fair Bluff Planning Board	Billie Washington (ETJ)	April, 2010	Hold
EB	Nursing/Adult Care Home Joint Community Advisory Committee Motion: Byrd Second: Norris	Jollye Shaw Judy Fleming	03-02-2010 03-16-2010	Re-Appoint Re-Appoint
EB	Tabor City Planning and Zoning Board Motion: Norris Second: Byrd	Patrick Milligan (ETJ)	April, 2010	Re-Appoint
EB	Tabor City Zoning Board of Adjustment Motion: Norris Second: Prevatte	Timmy Canady (ETJ) Johnnie Jernigan, Jr. (ETJ)	April, 2010	Re-Appoint Re-Appoint
EB	Whiteville Zoning Board of Adjustment Motion: Byrd Second: McKenzie	Dean Nealy (ETJ)	06-18-2010	Re-Appoint

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING

At 8:03 P.M., Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into a **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 19, 2010 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 1 for the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V, respectively.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V - APPROVAL of RIVER ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the River Road Water Main Extension.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 1 for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V.

DELETED from AGENDA

ADJOURN COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III IV and V BOARD MEETING and resume REGULAR SESSION

At 8:05 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn the combination meeting of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V, and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #19: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

A. Budget Amendment:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditure	14-4311-526001	Dept Supplies	95,000
Revenue	14-3431-489000	Miscellaneous Revenue - G/F	95,000

B. Tax Releases:

**TAX RELEASES (as submitted to the Governing Body Office from the Tax Office):
May 03, 2010**

Release the Property Value in the name of Hewett, Jerry L. Amount: \$51.35
 Value: \$6,300.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-02791 Bill # 2323 Total \$262.61
 Release entire portion of property value on mobile home. Disabled and should be exempted. Release Whiteville Rescue (1.26).

Release the Property Value in the name of Johnson, Kelly & Terri Benton Amount: \$19.25
 Value: \$2,362.00 Year: 2009 Account # 7-02855 Bill # 5279 Total \$23.77
 Release entire value of jet ski. Sold in 2005. Release Nakina Fire (1.89), release Columbus Rescue (.47)

Release the Property Value in the name of Shelley, Eric D K & Leigh Amount: \$33.79
 Value: \$1,239.00 Year: 9999 Account # 01-81945 Bill # 999 Total \$38.10
 Release entire portion of property value on boat. Sold 2004. Release Whiteville Rescue(.84)

Release the Property Value in the name of Shockley, Robert Clyde Amount: \$18.75
 Value: \$2,300.00 Year: 2009 Account # 12-24901 Bill # 9663 Total \$25.82
 Release entire value of storage building. Double listed to Act#12-24860 Mrs. Carolyn Simmons Shockley, Release Evergreen Fire(5.00), release Columbus Rescue(.46), release Water District II (1.61)

Release the Property Value in the name of Strickland, Beasley Amount: \$17.94
 Value: \$2,201.00 Year: 2009 Account # 16-13821 Bill # 3139 Total \$234.18
 Release entire portion of property value on mobile home. Destroyed in 2007. Release Cole Service (2.20), release Columbus Rescue(.44), release Water District II (1.54)

Release the Property Value in the name of Williams, Marshalleen Mintz Amount: \$23.64
 Value: \$2,900.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-00225 Bill # 8733 Total \$27.70
 Release entire portion of property value. Double listed to Act#15-02469. Marshalleen Mintz Williams. Release Acme Delco (3.48), release Columbus Rescue (.58)

Release the User Fee in the name of Alrawajfeh, Karen A. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008/0 Account # 08-05534 Bill # 9999 Total \$372.08
 Release user fee for years 2008 and 2009. Property is unlivable and vacant.

Release the User Fee in the name of Alrawajfeh, Mohammed Z. & Karen Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 8-05710 Bill # 3532 Total \$123.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Alrawajfeh, Mohammed Z. & Karen	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 8-05710 Bill # 5551	Total	\$113.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Clark, Veda K	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 11-06041 Bill # 0794	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant and unlivable.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cox, James Winston & Wiliam	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 7-02741 Bill # 1964	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. House is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Greater Morning Star Apostolic Church	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 18-03348 Bill # 0684	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. Only has 1 can and billed for two.

Release the User Fee	in the name of McAllister, Lonzo Daniel (Heirs)	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008/0 Account # 13-24857 Bill # 9999	Total	\$410.00

Release user fee for yrs 2008 and 2009. House was never completed.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Meares, Eugene & Rebecca	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 10-11722 Bill # 0934	Total	\$123.00

Release user fee. Mobile home is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Meares, Lenuc	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 10-02658 Bill # 0985	Total	\$123.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert & Hilda	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 2-60981 Bill # 1103	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert T. & Hilda	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 1-04231 Bill # 1105	Total	\$246.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert T. & Hilda	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 2-60985 Bill # 1107	Total	\$123.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert T. & Hilda	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 2-60985 Bill # 1109	Total	\$123.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert Thurston	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 7-12030 Bill # 1123	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert Thurston	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 1-61180 Bill # 1117	Total	\$123.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert Thurston	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 1-61200 Bill # 1122	Total	\$123.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Memory, Robert Thurston & Hilda Faye	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-60985 Bill # 9999	Total	\$333.00

Release user fee. Both properties are vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Riegelwood Sanitary District	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-31623 Bill # 7426	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. Uses a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Vaught, Reginald L.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 16-01149 Bill # 5680	Total	\$210.00

Release user fee. Property is vacant and unlivable.

Agenda Item #20: COMMENTS:

Chairman Russ opened the floor for comments. The following spoke.

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Commissioner McKenzie:** stated the following:
 - a. I would like to say thanks to the staff and all the employees for the fine job they are doing; **and**
 - b. I attended the Strawberry Festivities and they were great with the largest number of people there that I have seen in the twelve (12) years that I have been on the Board.
2. **Commissioner Prevatte:** stated the following:
 - a. We attended an Ethics Workshop on April 15, 2010, and it helped me in distinguishing what's legally right, ethically right and morally right;
 - b. I have been informed, by a reliable source, that a former government employee from the City of Whiteville approached several of our Board members about selling a former tobacco warehouse to Columbus County to be used as a building to house the Department of Aging and the Health Department, at the cost of \$1.5 million;
 - c. I hope that our Board members do not entertain this idea; **and**
 - d. I was not informed of this offer, and I feel left out.

Vice Chairman Byrd stated that no one had spoke to him about this matter.

3. **Vice Chairman Byrd:** stated the following:
 - a. Last week was the first opportunity I have had to visit the Department of Aging;
 - b. There is a great need out there, and I don't know what the right answer is;
 - c. This department is costing the County very little money;
 - d. This is the only place some of our senior citizens can go to, and not be by themselves; **and**
 - e. There is a great need at the Department of Aging and we need to do what we can to help.
4. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:
 - a. We had our first meeting of the Department of Aging Needs Assessment Committee;
 - b. It was very successful;
 - c. Many good questions were asked by Chris May; **and**
 - d. This meeting was very thorough and successful.
5. **Chairman Russ:** stating the following:
 - a. I would like to thank Tony Soles, Maintenance Director, and Ray Reeves, Building Inspections Director, for the fine job they are doing;
 - b. Kip, I would like for you or I, to place an add in the News Reporter that in Water and Sewer District IV, that the contractor will fix their driveways and yard back in as good, if not better condition, than they were before the construction began; **and**
 - c. I will request that Gary Lanier, the new Economic Development Director, introduce himself.

Gary Lanier: stated the following:

- I am a Columbus County native;
- I have been working in the Burgaw, Castle Hayne and Jacksonville area; **and**
- I look forward to working with you.

- D. **County Attorney (Mike Stephens):** stated the following:
- a. As of 5:00 P.M., today, we have not received an upset bid on the property in Chadbourn, Lot Number 15, on Enterprise Street;
 - b. The Board approved a Resolution on this property in April, 2010; **and**
 - c. I am requesting that the Board accept this bid.

MOTION:

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to accept the bid on the property in Chadbourn, Lot Number 15, on Enterprise Street, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #21: ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:17 P.M., Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, May 03, 2010

8:03 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, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James Prevatte
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:03 P.M., Chairman Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board meeting to order

Agenda Item #17: Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

April 19, 2010 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the April 19, 2010 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:05 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, May 03, 2010

8:03P.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, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James Prevatte
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:03 P.M., Chairman Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board meeting to order

Agenda Item #17: Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

April 19, 2010 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the April 19, 2010 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:05 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, May 03, 2010

8:03 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, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James Prevatte
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:03 P.M., Chairman Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board meeting to order

Agenda Item #17: Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

April 19, 2010 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the April 19, 2010 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:05 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, May 03, 2010

8:03 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, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James Prevatte
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:03 P.M., Chairman Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board meeting to order

Agenda Item #17: Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

April 19, 2010 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the April 19, 2010 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:05 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 03, 2010

8:03 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, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
 Giles E. Byrd, **Vice Chairman**
 Amon E. McKenzie
 James Prevatte
 Lynwood Norris
 Ricky Bullard
 Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
 Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
 Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:03 P.M., Chairman Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board meeting to order

Agenda Item #17: Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V - Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

April 19, 2010 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the April 19, 2010 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT V - APPROVAL of RIVER ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the River Road Water Main Extension, at the cost of sixty-five thousand and 00/100 (\$65,000.00) dollars, to be borrowed from Columbus County Water and Sewer District I.

DELETED

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:05 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman