The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 P.M., May 20, 1985, it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Larry M. Buffkin, Chairman

Caletta Faulk, Vice-Chairperson

Junior Dew

Lynwood Norris

Ed Worley

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Richard B. Self, Adm./Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Commissioner Ed Worley.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May 6, 1985 meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously.

PHARMACIST REQUEST - HEALTH BOARD

The Administrator presented the Board a complete survey on responses received from 79 North Carolina counties on dispensing drug and device procedures and requested the Board delay action on the Pharmacist until the House Bill 836 TO REGULATE PUBLIC HEALTH PHARMACY PRACTICE has been enacted by the General Assembly (which will be approximately three (3) weeks).

The Board reached a general consensus to table the matter until House Bill 836 has been enacted and ratified.

COPIER EQUPMENT BIDS - HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Administrator presented bids received for the purchase of three (3) copy machines to be used at the Columbus County Health Department as follows:

Systel Business Company, Inc.	\$9,100.00
Alternate	8,100.00
Superior Office Systems	8,354.78
Three - D	7,950.00
Carolina Office Equipment Company	7,431.62

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to award the bid for copiers, according to specifications, to Carolina Office Equipment Company.

LANDFILL POSITION

The Administrator requested the Board delay action on the Landfill Supervisor position for two weeks to allow more time to seek qualified applicants for their consideration.

The Board reached a general concensus to table the Landfill supervisory position for two weeks.

GROUND MAINTENANCE BIDS

The Administrator presented bids received for Grounds Maintenance for county property as follows:

Commercial Lawn Care & Janitorial Service \$15,750.00
Taylor's Nursery 14,400.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to award the bid for County Grounds Maintenance to Taylor's Nursery in accordance with the following Contract:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COLUMBUS COUNTY

 \underline{C} \underline{O} \underline{N} \underline{T} \underline{R} \underline{A} \underline{C} \underline{T}

THIS CONTRACT made and entered into this the 27th day of May, 1985, by and between the County of Columbus, sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "county" and RICHARD TAYLOR, trading and doing business as TAYLOR'S NURSERY located at Route 3, Box 242A, Whiteville, North Carolina, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Nursery" or "independent contractor";

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus is in need of hiring additional personnel for the purpose of maintaining the grounds of the county buildings; and

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus has advertised for bids for the purpose of maintaining the said grounds, including labor and equipment and that the said RICHARD TAYLOR, trading and doing business as TAYLOR'S NURSERY was the lowest and most successful bidder of the said project; and

WHEREAS, RICHARD TAYLOR has agreed to be employed at the rate as hereinafter set forth as an independent contractor with the said County and not as a County employee nor to receive any benefits or protections of any county employee;

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED AND CONTRACTED in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein as follows:

- (1) The said RICHARD TAYLOR shall furnish the said County of Columbus sufficient labor and equipment for the purpose of maintaining the grounds, including the keeping of all grass mowed, sidewalks edged, the edging of drives and buildings and the shruds trimmed at the following locations: Miller Building Jefferson Street, Whiteville, North Carolina; Columbus County Public Library 117 East Columbus Street, Whiteville, North Carolina; Columbus County Courthouse, Whiteville, North Carolina; Columbus County Administration Building and grounds surrounding the same, Washington Street, Whiteville, North Carolina; Columbus County Library Annex Chadbourn Highway, Whiteville, North Carolina; Columbus County Law Enforcement Center Chadbourn Highway, Whiteville, North Carolina; Senior Citizen Center Chadbourn Highway, Whiteville, North Carolina; Senior Citizen Center Chadbourn Highway, Whiteville, North Carolina; Senior Citizen Center Chadbourn Highway, Whiteville, North Carolina.
- (2) That the work shall be completed in accordance with the specifications as set forth in the bids and to the satisfaction of the Columbus County Administrator.
- (3) The said County shall not provide any gasoline, equipment, labor or other materials for the completion of the said job in any manner whatsoever.
- (4) The said independent contractor shall provide satisfactory liability insurance and workmens' compensation insurance to the reasonable satisfaction of the Columbus County Administrator, and that the said policies or binders shall be submitted prior to the beginning of work.

- (5) That any fertilization, seeding, placing of pine straw, or other services will be negotiated prior to the work being accomplished on an as needed basis between the said independent contractor and the County Administrator, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County when necessary.
- (6) The Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina may at any time give a thirty (30) day notice of cancellation of this contract for non-satisfactory performance by the said independent contractor. The said independent contractor may also give a thirty (30) day notice of cancellation of this contract for the non-payment of any sums due the said independent contractor under this contract after the same has been more than thirty (30) days delinquent.
- (7) That the said independent contractor has agreed to maintain the grounds as above specified for the sum of FOURTEEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$14,400.00) per year. The said sums shall be due and payable on the 1st of each calendar month in the amount of one-twelth (1/12) of the said sum beginning on the 1st day of July, 1985 for the previous month and continuing on the 1st day of each calendar month thereafter. Any part month shall be prorated according to the amount of work rendered during the said previous month (June, 1985 and June, 1986).

THIS CONTRACT is executed in duplicate originals by the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County upon authorization by the Board of County Commissioners and by the said Richard Taylor. IN WITNESS WEREOF, our hands and seals, this the day and year first written above.

COLUMBUS COUNTY

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ Richard B. Self, Adm./Clerk
(SEAL)

BY: /s/ Larry M. Buffkin Chairman

/s/ Richard Taylor
Independent Contractor

TAX RELEASES

The following tax releases and refunds recommended by the Tax Supervisor were approved upon motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously.

Ordered: that the 1984 tax listing of Williams Lumber Company, Bolton Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,900 due to the 4 acre tract of land was already listed on the Regular list.

Ordered: that the 1983 and 1984 tax listings of Mildred Patrick Freeman, Bolton Township, be released on the valuation of \$2,120 due to the house and shed valued for this amount was burned in 1981.

Ordered: that the 1984 tax listing of Derry Thomas and Shelia Faye Ward, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$3,700 due to the 1/2 acre tract was sold in 1982; 3/10 acre to Max Mendez and 2/10 acre to Frank Elbert Smith.

Ordered: that that the 1984 tax listing of B & E Apartments, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$3,800 due to cars were priced incorrectly.

Ordered: that the 1984 tax listing of Mrs. Scottie F. Hinson, Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$3,975 due to the vehicle valued for this amount was double-listed on the Late List as Mrs. Scottie Hinson Cheshire.

Ordered: that the 1984 tax listing of Tillman J. Baldwin, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,690 due to the lot valued at \$2,500 was priced incorrectly.

Ordered: that the 1984 tax listing of Burris & Dula Belle Stocks, Lees Township be released on the valuation of \$4,560 due to the house valued for this amount was sold to Gladys Hayes in 1981.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Emerson & Fostina Stevenson, Route 2, Box 127-A, Riegelwood, N.C. 28456, Ransom Township, in the amount of \$182.64 for the year 1983 due to the house and shed valued at \$20,070 was double-listed to Emerson Stevenson. Mr. Stevenson is due a refund of \$182.64.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Berneice Ray, Route 1, Box 329, Nakina, NC 28455, Lees Township in the amount of \$102.00 for the years 1982 and 1983 due to correction on deed; acres listed 27.64, acres have been corrected to 11.25.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Burris & Dula Belle Stocks, Route 1, Nakina, NC 28455. Lees Township, in the amount of \$78.44 for the years 1982 and 1983 due to the house valued at \$4,560 was sold to Gladys Hayes in 1981.

Ordered: that a refund check be written to Cleveland & Christine Williams, Route 1, Box 318A, Whiteville, NC 28472 in the amount of \$100.00 for 1983 due to Cleveland Williams partial payment of \$100.00 was applied to Clifton Junior and Helen Williams 1983 taxes.

SENIOR CENTER - CARPET FUNDING REQUEST

Mrs. Angeline Robinson appeared before the Board requesting the Board reimburse the Senior Center approximately \$900.00 for carpeting that was installed from the Senior Center Funds.

The Board advised the Administrator to check on the availability of funds from the 1985-86 Budget.

WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP SCHOOL - AIR CONDITIONING FUNDING REQUEST

Mr. D. W. Green, representing Williams Township Booster Club, appeared before the Board requesting funding Williams Township School air conditioning project in the amount of \$2,500.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to use the standard County procedure in funding school air conditioning projects and draft a Resolution requesting the Columbus County Board of Education appropriate funds for the Williams Township project. Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners have previously recognized the need to air condition multi-purpose gymnasiums/auditoriums; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners have offered all schools a 25/75 match grant up to \$1,000.00 to aid in the procurement of air conditioning systems; and

WHEREAS, Williams Township School has requested an additional \$2,500.00 appropriation for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County request the Board of Education review this request by Williams Township School and give it every consideration possible.

Adopted this 20th day of May, 1985.

ATTEST:

/s/ Richard B. Self, Adm./Clerk

/s/ Larry M. Buffkin, Chairman Columbus County Board of Commissioners

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:55 P.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to adjourn into executive session concerning an attorney-client matter.

RESUME REGULAR SESSION

At 8:05 P.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn executive session and resume regular session. No action was taken.

PHARMACIST REQUEST TAKEN FROM TABLE

A motion was made by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to take from the table the question of a pharmacist request. PHARMACIST REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to direct the Columbus County Health Department limit the dispensing of drugs to two (2) qualified physicians and/or staff nurse practicioners for their patients pending determination of House Bill 836 by the North Carolina General Assembly and dispensing of drugs be limited to these legal ways only.

SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL #836

Commissioner Faulk requested, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, the Administrator draft a letter to Senator R. C. Soles in support of House Bill #836.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

APPROVED:

Administrator/Clerk

Chairman M. Buffh