

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 8:00 A.M., Monday, December 3, 1990, it being the first Monday.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lynwood Norris, Vice-Chairman

Junior Dew

Ed Worley

Samuel G. Koonce

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk

Vice Chairman Norris called the meeting to order and Commissioner Worley gave the invocation.

**AUDIT REPORT - ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD FROM S. PRESTON DOUGLAS & ASSOCIATES**

Johnny Britt, representing S. Preston Douglas & Associates, presented the Board with the Audit Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1990, for the Board's review. After the Audit report is reviewed by the Board, S. Preston Douglas & Associates will be available to the Board for answering questions they might have in reference to the report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to accept the 1989-90 Audit Report for reviewing as submitted by S. Preston Douglas & Associates.

**RECYCLING - BOARD VISITED SITE**

At 8:10 A.M., the Board reached a general concensus to recess the meeting in order to visit the Columbus County Recycling Site and then attend the swearing-in-ceremonies of Lacy Thompson, Clerk of Superior Court and Harold Rains, Columbus County Sheriff.

**MEETING RESUMED**

At 9:00 A.M., the meeting reconvened with the Oaths of Office administered by Lacy Thompson, Clerk of Superior Court, to the newly elected Columbus County Commissioners as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA

COLUMBUS COUNTY

**OATH OF OFFICE**

"I, Mike Richardson, do Solemnly Swear that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Board of Columbus County Commissioners, so help me God."

/s/ Mike Richardson

Sworn to before me this the 3rd day of December, 1990.

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

(SEAL)

/s/ Lacy R. Thompson  
Clerk of Superior Court

NORTH CAROLINA

COLUMBUS COUNTY

**OATH OF OFFICE**

"I, Samuel G. Koonce, do Solemnly Swear that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Board of Columbus County Commissioners, So help me God."

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce

Sworn to before me this 3rd day of December, 1990.

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

(SEAL)

/s/ Lacy R. Thompson  
Clerk of Superior Court

**MEETING RECESSED**

At 9:15 A.M., the Board reached a general concensus to recess for ten minutes.

**MEETING RESUMED**

At 9:25 A.M., Vice Chairman Norris called the Board meeting back to order.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lynwood Norris, Vice-Chairman

Junior Dew

Ed Worley

Samuel G. Koonce

Mike Richardson

James E. Hill, Jr. Attorney

Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk

**APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD - CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN**

The Vice-Chairman announced that it was time to appoint a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the upcoming year and asked County Attorney, James E. Hill, Jr. to act as Chairman to transact the appointments.

Attorney Hill briefed the Board on the procedure for selecting officers and then opened the floor for nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Commissioner Koonce, nominated Commissioner Norris for Chairman and Commissioner Worley for Vice Chairman.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Richardson.

There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to close the nominations.

Voting for Commissioner Norris as Chairman and Commissioner Worley as Vice Chairman were Commissioners Dew, Koonce, Norris, Richardson and Worley.

Attorney Hill announced that Commissioner Lynwood Norris was appointed Chairman and Commissioner Ed Worley as Vice Chairman by acclamation for the ensuing year.

Chairman Norris and Vice-Chairman Worley are authorized to sign all instruments on behalf of Columbus County. Resolution is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

Commissioner Norris then assumed the duties of the Chairman and conducted the following business.

**RECYCLING - CONTRACT FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE & EQUIPMENT PENDING UPON COMPLETION OF EQUIPMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve the Recycling Proposed Contract for additional space and equipment. The execution of the Contract is pending until the equipment specified in the proposal is in place and the final draft presented to the Board by Attorney James E. Hill, Jr.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR - EMPLOYMENT OF WILLIAM LEE SMITH ANNOUNCED**

Roy L. Lowe, the County Administrator, announced that three individuals were interviewed for the Economic Development Director's position. On December 2, 1990, the Board voted unanimously to offer the position to William Lee Smith, Pamlico County, Arapahoe, North Carolina, at a salary Grade 77-2B - \$30,528.00 annually.

The Administrator further announced that William Lee Smith has accepted the job effective January 1, 1991, at the beginning salary of \$30,528.00. At the end of the probationary period (6 months), William Lee Smith will be considered for an additional 2.4% salary increase (equivalent to 1/2 step on the County pay scale).

**SURETY BONDS - EXAMINATION & APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve Surety Bonds on the following persons that are now in effect, the amounts and the expiration dates:

Ila Penny	\$ 15,000	December, 1992
Harold Rains	50,000	December 6, 1991
Linwood Cartrette	15,000	December 6, 1991
Dale Ward	15,000	December 6, 1991
Gayle Godwin	100,000	April, 1991
W.D. "Bill" Brooks	75,000	July 1, 1992
Brenda Strickland	25,000	October 30, 1991

COUNTY EMPLOYEE - RETIREMENT PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION PRESENTED

A retirement "Plaque of Appreciation" was presented to Jimmy M. Hardin by Chairman Norris as follows:

IN APPRECIATION OF  
JIMMY M. HARDIN  
FOR HIS LOYAL AND DEDICATED SERVICE  
AS LIEUTENANT PATROL  
OF THE COLUMBUS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
October 1, 1982 - October 31, 1990  
COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Buddy Byrd, Chairman  
Lynwood Norris, Vice Chairman  
Junior Dew  
Ed Worley  
Samuel G. Koonce

APPOINTMENTS - BOARD OF HEALTH

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to reappoint the following persons to serve on the Columbus County Board of Health with three (3) year terms, expiring December 31, 1993.

Hilda Gore, Nurse

C. Lacy "Buddy" Tate, Jr., Public Citizen

E. Ben Ward, D.D.S., Dentist

COLUMBUS COUNTY DISTRICTED WATER PHASE I- APPROVAL FOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR & ATTORNEY TO PROCEED WITH PREPARATION

Fred Hobbs of Hobbs, Upchurch and Associates, a Consulting Engineering Firm from Southern Pines, gave an update on the following projects:

1. Columbus County Water & Sewer District I
2. Columbus County Water & Sewer District II
3. Columbus County Airport

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to authorize the County Attorney and Administrator to proceed with the necessary legal preparation for the Columbus County Phase I Districted Water System Bond Referendum.

COLUMBUS COUNTY DISTRICTED WATER PHASE II - BOARD APPROVED LEADERSHIP ROLE IN APPLICATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve the Columbus County Board of Commissioners take a lead role in the preparation of the application for the Columbus County Districted Water Project - Phase II, which will include the municipalities of Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo and Fair Bluff.

APPOINTMENT - LOWER CAPE FEAR WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to appoint Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator, to serve on the Lower Cape Fear Water & Sewer Authority Board of Directors to replace Jack Ervin for a three (3) year term, expiring October 30, 1993.

APPOINTMENT - SOUTHEASTERN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to reappoint Commissioner Samuel G. Koonce to serve on the Southeastern Economic Development Commission Board of Directors for a four year term, with term expiring December, 1994.

TAX RELEASES & REFUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to approve the tax releases and refunds as recommended by the Tax Administrator.

Ronnie Babson; acres corrected by new survey. Amount \$73.65, valuation \$8,440, years 1985, 86, 87, 88, account #15-01220.

Montgomery Anderson McNeill; billed with 1989 Oldsmobile instead of a 1987 model. Amount \$36.24, valuation \$5,330, year 1990, account #10-10960.

Sadie Louise Lennon; clerical error. Rebilled to Sadie Powell Lennon account #01-52579. Amount \$8.16, valuation \$1,200, year 1990, account #01-52575.

Joyce H. Nance; Mercury double-listed on account #12-20420. Amount \$14.96, valuation \$2,200, year 1989, account #13-28800.

Prease Inc.; aircraft priced incorrectly. Amount \$31.96, valuation \$4,700, year 1990, account #01-72644.

Charles Arthur Harrison; 1972 Mobile Home erroneously listed as a 1972 year model. Amount \$22.73, valuation \$1,720, year 1990, account #04-07140.

J E B Smith % Jimmie Smith; billed incorrectly with property that does not exist. Amount \$447.37, valuation \$55,600, years 1981-1990, account #07-15260.

Lenue W. & Eula Walters; mobile home double-listed on real and personal property. Amount \$56.71, valuation \$8,340, year 1990, account #02-00380.

Steven E. Williford; vehicle was listed in S.C. where he resides. Amount \$55.35, valuation \$8,140, year 1990, account #06-43715.

Mrs. J. M. Strickland % Jack Strickland; property was transferred to Jack Strickland in 1980 and double-listed on account #16-14580. Amount \$159.56, valuation \$19,050, years 1981-1990, account #16-14700.

Watts Exterminating Company; clerical error. Truck was listed properly in January, 1990. Amount \$2.53, year 1990, account #06-41520.

Bertha Ward Wilson; L-2-94 billed without Land Use Value. Amount \$65.28, valuation \$9,600, year 1989, account #14-17820.

Release 1990 "User Fees" on the following persons:

NAME	AMOUNT	ACCOUNT #
Albert Edwards (HEIRS)	\$30.00	16-03840
Annie Jo Norton	20.00	16-12045
Dewey & Willa Stevens	30.00	03-24120
Lenue W. & Eula L. Walters	30.00	02-00380

Virginia Mincey; failed to receive the Senior Citizens Exemption. Amount \$81.60, valuation \$12,000, year 1990, account #6-26444.

Emma Long Ward; failed to receive the Senior Citizens Exemption. Amount \$81.60, valuation \$12,000, year 1990, account #3-26470.

Russell McQueen; not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$33.35, year 1990, account #3-16100, parcels K8163A, K8162, K8165F.

Ervin M. & Suvon Simmons; not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$11.72, year 1990, account #3-21320, parcel L827.

Major Graham & Betty T. Smith; not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$12.05, year 1990, account #3-22720, parcel L857.

William Cedell Beatty; vehicle listed in Bladen County. Amount \$171.06, valuation \$9,500, year 1989, account #17-01584.

Betty Lee Cox; vehicle sold prior to 1989. Amount \$110.86, valuation \$1,450, year 1989, account #17-07612.

Lanneau Formyduval; vehicle listed in Brunswick County where he resides. Amount \$144.74, valuation \$15,300, year 1986, account #17-11570.

Roy Holley Melvin; 1982 Buick traded in 1988 for 1988 Nissan already listed on regular list. Amount \$122.52, valuation \$3,010, year 1989, account #17-25966.

Anthony Montgomery Nance; vehicle double-listed on late list. Amount \$100.00, valuation \$14,130, year 1990, account #17-25405.

Howard M. Nance; 1978 Ford truck sold prior to 1-1-90. Amount \$106.73, valuation \$900, year 1990, account #17-27377.

Joseph Garfield Nealy; vehicle double-listed on late list. Amount \$100.00, year 1990, account #17-27611.

Sanford Eugene Owens; 1978 Toyota was totaled prior to 1988. 1977 Buick was listed to Columbia McCoy Smith on #13-36660. Amount \$129.13, valuation \$2,910, year 1988, account #17-28577.

Valecia Jacobs Pike; vehicle was listed on late list. Amount \$100.00, year 1990, account #17-29567.

Paula Diane Pridgen; vehicle was sold in 1987, prior to 1-1-88. Amount \$115.02, valuation \$1,500, year 1988, account #17-30287.

Frances Rowell; moved to Charleston prior to 1-1-87. Amount \$56.39, valuation \$5,960, year 1987, account #17-31925.

Patricia Young Smith; vehicle double-listed on account #8-16680, Arthur Charles Smith. Amount \$134.74, valuation \$4,644, year 1988, account #17-34353.

Daniel Franklin Spivey; 1977 Dodge was sold for junk in 1985. Amount \$10.41, valuation \$1,100, year 1986, account #17-35080.

Sara Jane Spivey; vehicle junked 2 years ago. Amount \$105.98, valuation \$800, year 1989, account #17-35004.

Floyd Strickland, Jr.; 1984 Chevrolet traded in Alabama in 1986. Amount

\$166.77, valuation \$6,670, year 1988, account #17-36307.

Lisa Carroll Suggs; vehicle was listed on late list. Amount \$100.00, year 1990, account #17-36637.

James Danie Tyler; vehicle was listed on late list. Amount \$100.00, year 1990, account #17-38257.

Gennis R. Tedder; vehicle totaled 10-1-87. Amount \$122.12, valuation \$2,210, year 1988, account #17-37121.

Charles Edward Ward, Jr.; vehicle has been in the state of Georgia for three years. Amount \$157.67, valuation \$7,710, year 1989, account #17-38614.

Joseph Ray Williamson; vehicle sold in 1988. Amount \$8.76, valuation \$1,170, year 1989, account #17-41343.

Mary Troy Young; vehicle listed in Bladen County. Amount \$114.11, valuation \$1,410, year 1988, account #17-42453.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Arthur R. Carter, 211 North Brown Street, Chadbourn, NC 28431, in the amount of \$18.00 (user fees) for year 1990. Landfill and solid waste fee billed incorrectly. Account #13-07000.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Gertrude B. Thompson, Route 5, Box 232, Whiteville, NC 28472, in the amount of \$19.65, for year 1990. Whiteville Rescue fee applied incorrectly on I-6-82 and I-6-81. Account #01-93693.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Vera Cox, Route 6, Box 238J, Whiteville, NC, 28472, in the amount of \$18.00 (user fees) for year 1990. Landfill applied incorrectly on vacant house. Account #01-17860.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Robert H. Britt (HEIRS) P.O. Box 453, Whiteville, NC 28472, in the amount of \$42.70, for year 1990. I-3-36, Land Use was calculated incorrectly. Account #01-08840.

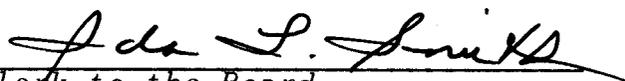
APPOINTMENT - COUNTY ATTORNEY.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to retain James E. Hill, Jr. as the County Attorney for the ensuing year.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 A.M.

APPROVED:

  
Clerk to the Board

  
Chairman