

COLUMBUS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC at 7:00 P.M., June 15, 1998, for a scheduled Public Hearing regarding the 1998-99 Proposed Operating Budget for Columbus County and at 7:30 P.M. for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting, it being the third Monday.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

David L. Dutton, Jr., Chairman

A. Dial Gray, III, Vice Chairman

Spruell Randolph Britt (Arrived at 7:18 P.M.)

Sammie Jacobs

Lynwood Norris

C.W. Williams

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring
County Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

PUBLIC HEARING - 1998-99 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET

Chairman David L. Dutton, Jr. called the Public Hearing to order for comments on the 1998-99 Proposed Operating Budget for Columbus County.

The Chairman requested anyone wishing to speak concerning the 1998-99 Proposed Operating Budget to be recognized by stating their name and the agency or department they are representing.

The comments are as follows:

Larry Moore, Social Services Director, requested amending the 1998-99 Proposed Budget for the Social Services Department as listed:

- A. Upgrade the Income Maintenance Investigator I positions to Income Maintenance Investigator II due to increased duties and responsibilities;
- B. On-call compensation of \$1.00 per hour for the Child Protective Services and Adult Services Workers for after work hours, weekends and holidays;
- C. Additional increase in compensation for the Budget Officer due to additional duties and responsibilities; and
- D. Addition ten percent (10% - 2 steps) for all fully qualified social workers.

Hattie Campbell, Department of Social Services Board Member, requested the Board to consider awarding Larry Moore, Social Services Director, an additional three percent (3%) increase over the five percent (5%) proposed in the 1998-99 Budget. Ms. Campbell stated that Larry Moore's salary should be equal to that of Marian Duncan, Health Director. Ms. Campbell read a list of accomplishments Mr. Moore has made during his two years, four months, tenure as the Social Services Director.

Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, reported it is unfair to compare Marian Duncan's salary to Larry Moore's as she has a master's degree and has been employed with the County for forty-three (43) years.

There were no further comments.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to close the Public Hearing at 7:22 P.M.

BOARD MEETING COMMENCED AT 7:30 P.M.

Chairman David L. Dutton, Jr. called the meeting to order and Ms. Jean Hammonds gave the invocation.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the June 1, 1998, Board Meeting, and the June 3, 1998 Tabor City Rescue Service Tax District Public Hearing.

TAX REFUNDS AND RELEASES

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the tax refunds and releases as recommended by William D. Brooks, Jr., Tax Administrator.

Refunds:

Request a refund in the name of Appollo Industries, 106 Powell Building, Madison St., Whiteville, NC 28472, by order of Property Tax Commission. Refund includes \$2.69 interest. Amount \$122.10, Value \$16,700, Year 1997, Account #01-00960.

Request a refund in the name of Appollo Industries, 106 Powell Building, Madison St., Whiteville, NC 28472, by order of the Property Tax Commission. Refund includes \$1.17 interest. Amount \$53.37, Value \$7,300, Year 1997, Account #01-00960.

Request a refund in the name of Marie H. Black, P.O. Box 202, Fair Bluff, N.C. 28439. Paid user fee on cafe that is no longer in business. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-01037.

Request a refund in the name of Troy Lee (Jr) & Martha J. Brooks, 23646 Andrew Jackson Highway, E., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Paid taxes on home that is double listed in the name of Troy Lee Brooks, III. Refund includes \$54.53 in interest. Amount \$440.33, Value \$36,200, Year 1996, Account #15-04560.

Request a refund in the name of Troy Lee (Jr.) & Martha J. Brooks, 23646 Andrew Jackson Highway, E., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Paid taxes on home that is double listed in the name of Troy Lee Brooks, III. Refund includes \$24.26 in interest. Amount \$523.61, Value \$49,000, Year 1997, Account #15-04560.

Request a refund in the name of Jesse Fisher (Jr.), 106 Powell Building, Whiteville, NC 28472, by order of Property Tax Commission. Refund includes \$.02 in interest. Amount \$32.20, Value \$4,500, Year 1997, Account #01-26785.

Request a refund in the name of Jesse Fisher (Jr.), 106 Powell Building, Whiteville, N.C. 28472, by order of Property Tax Commission. Refund includes .05 in interest. Amount \$31.51, Value \$4400, Year 1997, Account #01-26785.

Request a refund in the name of Hollie Anthony Hampton, 14496 Sam Potts

Hwy., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Paid user fee on property that is double listed in the name of Foster L. Moore (Heirs). Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-06954.

Releases:

Release the district fee in the name of Gary B. & Myra H. Nobles. Land does not have any buildings located on it. Amount \$45.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #12-20707.

Release the user fee in the name of Guilford & Barbara Barnes. There are no buildings on this property. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-03185.

Release the user fee in the name of Jerry Byrd. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #11-04861.

Release the user fee in the name of Kevin Godwin. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #06-14159.

Release the user fee in the name of Andrew David Jordan. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-49017.

Release the user fee in the name of V.L. & M.C. Strickland. Building located inside the city limits. Amount \$40.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-29797.

Release the user fee in the name of Esmer Elmer Ward (Mrs.). Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-26480.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Frances Bellamy. Does not own a single wide home. Owns a double wide and it is listed. Amount \$62.48, Value \$2,380, Year 1996, Account #06-39467.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Frances Bellamy. Does not own a single wide home. Owns a double wide home and it is listed. Amount \$79.72, Value \$2580, Year 1997, Account #06-39467.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Harold D. & Piying Lee Bellamy. Home is double listed in the name of Lillie Ford. Amount \$222.60, Value \$26,500, Year 1996, Account #09-01117.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of John Thomas Bordeaux. Mobile home listed as real estate and paid. Amount \$230.43, Value \$17,060, Year 1997,

Account #15-03137.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Leslie Mildred Callihan. Home double listed in the name of David Ray Harris. Amount \$179.44, Value \$12,760, Year 1996, Account #13-06511.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Leslie Mildred Callihan. Home double listed in the name of David Ray Harris. Amount \$195.63, Value \$12,510, Year 1997, Account #13-06511.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Vernon Carlton. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #15-08544.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Vernon Carlton. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #15-08544.

Release the property value in the name of Carolina Wood Products Southeast Inc. Business closed in December 1996. Amount \$69.85, Value \$8,300, Year 1997, Account #13-06770.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Lizzielette Dixon. Home double listed in the name of Pearl Covington. Amount \$308.03, Value \$26,500, Year 1997, Account #01-20949.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Brenda Evans. Home repossessed in November 1996. Amount \$318.23, Value \$31,400, Year 1997, Account #12-07104.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Roscoe Everett. Home double listed in the name of Pearl & Roscoe Everett. Amount \$213.29, Value \$13,900, Year 1997, Account #15-13401.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Russell Lee Faulk. Home repossessed in 1991. Amount \$127.30, Value \$7,190, Year 1996, Account #07-04603.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Russell Lee Faulk. Home repossessed in 1991. Amount \$153.05, Value \$6,940, Year 1997, Account #07-04603.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Jesse C. (Jr.) & Gaye S. Fisher. Release by order of Property Tax Commission. Amount \$29.32, Value \$4100,

Year 1997, Account #01-26800.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Jesse C. Fisher, Jr.

Release by order of the Property Tax Commission. Amount \$286.00, Value \$40,000, Year 1997, Account #01-26780.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Jesse C. Fisher, Jr.

Release by order of the Property Tax Commission. Amount \$14.29, Value \$1,900, Year 1997, Account #01-26785.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Jesse C. Fisher, Jr.

Release by order of the Property Tax Commission. Amount \$161.10, Value \$18,000, Year 1997, Account #01-26785.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Jesse C. Fisher, Jr.

Release by order of the Property Tax Commission. Amount \$186.62, Value \$26,100, Year 1997, Account #01-26785.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Jesse C. Fisher, Jr.

Release by order of the Property Tax Commission. Amount \$.19, Value \$26.34, Year 1997, Account #01-26785.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Hollie Anthony Hampton.

Home double listed in the name of Foster Moore. Amount \$190.13, Value \$23,826, Year 1997, Account #04-06954.

Release the value of a home in the name of James David Keith (Sr.). Home

double listed in the name of Marion Butler. Amount \$431.71, Value \$40,700, Year 1997, Account #15-21940.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Barbara Jane Fulton Lewis.

Home double listed in the name of Charles Lewis. Amount \$121.40, Value \$6560, Year 1996, Account #04-10188.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Barbara Jane Fulton Lewis.

Home double listed in the name of Charles Lewis. Amount \$148.24, Value \$6309, Year 1997, Account #04-10188.

Release the property value in the name of Gary B. Nobles ,Jr. Property double

listed in the name of Gary B. Nobles, Sr. Amount \$65.68, Value \$9,100, Year 1997, Account #12-20705.

Release the value of two (2) mobile homes in the name of Paul Page. One home sold to Terrance Chisholm and the other to Elnora G. Mason. Amount \$311.58, Value \$13,260, Year 1997, Account #13-31721.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Trina Rising. Home double listed in the name of Randy & Trina Rising. Amount \$237.91, Value \$17,240, Year 1996, Account #03-19885.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Charles Wesley Shelley (Sr.). Property transferred to a family member. Amount \$61.21, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-15300.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Charles Wesley Shelley (Sr.). Property transferred to a family member. Amount \$72.16, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-15300, bill #95707.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Charles Wesley Shelley (Sr.). Property transferred to a family member. Amount \$72.16, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-15300, bill #95708.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Charles Wesley Shelley (Sr.). Property transferred to a family member. Amount \$70.52, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-15300.

Release the value of a house in the name of Mike Smith. Home double listed in the name of Harold D. Duncan. Amount \$498.93, Value \$57,400, Year 1997, Account #03-22764.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Levonia N. Starnes. Property sold to a family member. Amount \$21.89, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-15360.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Levonia N. Starnes. Property sold to a family member. Amount \$24.36, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-15360, bill #95735.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Levonia N. Starnes. Property

transferred to a family member. Amount \$24.36, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-15360, bill #95736.

Release the deferred taxes in the name of Levonia N. Starnes. Property transferred to a family member. Amount \$23.78, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-15360.

Release the property value in the name of Mary Lou Powell Suggs. Property double listed in the name of Mary Lou Powell. Amount \$11.90, Value \$1,400, Year 1996, Account #13-39044.

Release the property value in the name of Mary Lou Powell Suggs. Property double listed in the name of Mary Lou Powell. Amount \$22.19, Value \$2,900, Year 1997, Account #13-39044.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Viking Development Corp. Release by order of the Property Tax Commission. Amount \$259.38, Value \$30,200, Year 1997, Account #01-98780.

APPOINTMENTS - REGION ADVISORY COUNCIL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Region O Aging Advisory Council for three (3) year terms, expiring June 30, 2001.

Louise Hilburn, P.O. Box 151, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450

T. Ben Douglas, 2130 Bella Coola Road, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450

APPOINTMENTS - AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Aging Advisory Council for the listed terms of service.

Zone	Appointment/Reappointment/ Replacement	Term Length/ Expiration Date
I	Bernice Pierce	6-30-2001
II	Jessie Vaught	6-30-1999
II	Barbara Featherson	6-30-2001
II	Barbara Sasser	6-30-2000

Zone	Appointment/Reappointment/ Replacement	Term Length/ Expiration Date
III	Raymond Shaw	6-30-1999
III	Connie Young	6-30-2001
IV	Betty Massari (replaces Marshall White, deceased)	6-30-2001
V	Jack Miller (replaces Carl McPherson)	6-30-1999
V	Margaret Jo Willoughby (replaces Lou Lovette, who resigned)	6-30-2001
V	Evelyn Johnson (replaces Jessie Wiggins, who resigned)	6-30-2001
VI	Alice Keller	6-30-1999
VI	Mona Kahl (replaces Michelle Dippel who is no longer affiliated with Zone VI)	6-30-2000
VI	Dr. Floyd Enzor	6-30-2001
VI	Sadie Hinson	6-30-2001
VII	Orben Fowler	6-30-1999
VII	Willie Burns	6-30-2000
VII	Esther Moses	6-30-2001
VII	Mildred Dutton	6-30-2001

APPOINTMENTS - HOME COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to reappoint the following persons to serve on the Home Community Care Block Grant Committee for three (3) year terms, expiring June 30, 2001.

Zone	Reappointment	Expiration Date
I	Lloyd D. Best	6-30-2001
I	C.W. Williams	6-30-2001
II	Barbara Sasser	6-30-2001
II	Ed Worley	6-30-2001
III	Juanita Corbin	6-30-2001
III	Roscoe Jacobs, Sr.	6-30-2001
IV	T. Ben Douglas	6-30-2001
IV	Louise Hilburn	6-30-2001
V	Clyde Gore	6-30-2001

Zone	Reappointment	Expiration Date
VI	Lester Drew	6-30-2001
VII	Mildred Dutton	6-30-2001

APPOINTMENTS - CRIMINAL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to reappoint the following persons to serve on the Criminal Justice Partnership Board of Directors for a one (1) year term each, expiring July 1, 1999.

Olethia Britt, Columbus County Clerk of Court's Office
David Lawrence, West Columbus High School
Evelyn Troy, The Dream Center (formerly Alcohol and Drug Coalition)
Don W. Viets, Jr., Criminal Defense Attorney
C. R. Ward, Member at Large.

The Board also appointed Gary Bass, Adult Probation Officer, to serve on the Criminal Justice Partnership Board of Directors for a three (3) year term, expiring July 1, 2001.

AGING - APPROVAL OF OUTREACH FUNDING IN-HOME SERVICE LOANER PROGRAM

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve the Senior Center Outreach Funding from the Cape Fear Council of Governments for the In-Home Service Loaner Program in the amount of \$6,166.25, plus a ten percent (10%) match from Columbus County

APPOINTMENTS - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to appoint the following to serve on the Economic Development Commission Board of Directors for three (3) year terms, expiring June 30, 2001.

Zone III	-	Haynes Graham
Zone VI	-	Samuel G. Koonce
Zone VII	-	Elwood Watts
Ex-officio	-	Dempsey B. Herring

**APPOINTMENTS - INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES POLLUTION CONTROL
FINANCING AUTHORITY**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Industrial Facilities Pollution Control Financing Authority for six (6) year terms, expiring June 30, 2004.

Robert Howard

W. C. Sealey

The Board concurred to postpone the replacement appointment for Clemmon Jacobs, deceased, until the next Board Meeting.

APPOINTMENTS - LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Library Board of Trustees for four (4) year terms, expiring June 30, 2002.

Zone IV - Mary Frances Alsup

Zone V - Dennis Jones

APPOINTMENTS - HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Housing Advisory Committee for two (2) year terms, expiring June 30, 2000.

Zone I	-	Richard Peacock
Zone II	-	Michael Clemmons
Zone III	-	Haynes Graham
Zone VI	-	Henry Edmund
Social Services Representative	-	Mary B. Thompson
Aging Representative	-	Judy Ward

**CONTRACT (AMENDMENT) - COLUMBUS COUNTY SCATTERED SITE
HOUSING PROJECT (CDBG #96-C-0236)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to amend the Contract #6 - 1996-97 concerning Columbus County Technical Services for the Columbus County Scattered Site Housing Project. The purpose of this Contract Amendment is to add language required on federal funded projects

and to thereby clarify administrative procedures on the Columbus County Scattered Site Housing Project (CDBG #96-C-0236). Contract clauses are added in the following areas; conflict of interest, legal, remedies, nondiscrimination, age discrimination, handicap discrimination, equal opportunity, Section 3, and lobbying. The length of the contract is extended to the correct contract termination date of June 30, 1999. Change was also made to Section (1.), Employment and Scope of Work, to correct reference in the previous contract to a "Scope of Services." A copy of the complete Contract Agreement Amendment, properly executed, is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

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

Accept 10-348-3300 N. C. Rural Center Grant		\$30,000.00
Expend 10-700-9100 Engineering Study Eastern Columbus and Southeastern Bladen Counties.		\$30,000.00
Transfer 10-470-0402	Professional Services - Other	(\$10,603.00)
Expend 10-535-7400	Capital Outlay - Emergency Law System	\$10,603.00

DOT - REQUEST FOR OPENING NC 904 BRIDGE

Commissioner Lynwood Norris advised the Board that the bridge replacement on N. C. 904 has been completed but due to a reported conflict between the Department of Transportation project inspectors and the contractors the bridge remains closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to contact Robert Crumpler, District Engineer, N. C. Department of Transportation, concerning the alleged personal conflict between the Department of Transportation project inspectors and the contractors in opening the N. C. 904 Bridge, investigate these accusations and remedy the situation in allowing the bridge to be opened for the community who have suffered the most inconvenience of the bridge being closed due to the replacement.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:45 P.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by

Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to enter into closed session in accordance with G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5).

RESUME REGULAR SESSION

At 8:35 P.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to adjourn closed session and resume regular session.

No action was taken.

BUDGET (1998-99 OPERATING) - ADOPTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to adopt the 1998-99 Columbus County Operating Budget as presented. The 1998-99 Budget Ordinance is as follows:

BUDGET ORDINANCE 1998-99

COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

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

SECTION 1: BUDGET ADOPTION 1998-99: There is hereby adopted the following operation Budget for the County of Columbus for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1998, and ending June 30, 1999; the same being adopted by fund and activity within each fund as listed:

GENERAL FUND

Revenues:

Current Year Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 15,495,945
Prior Year Ad Valorem Taxes	1,000,000
Discounts	127,200-
Refunds	5,000-
Releases	200,000-
Penalty and Interest	200,000
Privilege License	4,000
Excise Tax - RD	135,000
Marriage License	14,000
Interest on Investments	625,000
Rent	64,536
Miscellaneous - General	220,000
General - Local Fees	13,000
Gifts/Donations - Health	2,500
Miscellaneous Revenues - Library	40,000
Miscellaneous - Elections	5,000
Miscellaneous - Concessions	25,000
Miscellaneous - Cooperative Extension	4,000
Intangibles Tax	400,000
Local 1 Cent Sales Tax	2,650,000
½ Cent Sales Tax	1,156,000
Second ½ Cent Sales Tax	654,000

½ Cent Sales Tax	359,000
Second ½ Cent Sales Tax	710,000
½ Cent Sales Tax	135,000
Second ½ Cent Sales Tax	265,000
5 Cent ABC Tax	16,000
State Aid - Emergency	12,778
State Aid - Veterans	2,000
State Aid - Soil Conservation	37,563
Criminal Justice Partnership	82,703
District Attorney Family Triage Grant	28,000
State Aid - DWI	7,500
COPS First	191,994
Food & Lodging - State	750
General State Grant	43,450
General - Medicaid	1,000
Childhood Lead Poisoning - State	4,000
Wise Woman State Grant	38,816
Family Planning - Medicaid	84,828
Family Planning Grant	73,087
Immunization Action Plan	18,559
Community Traffic Safety Grant	7,567
Maternal Health Grant	85,676
Child Health	124,327
Child Services Coordination	46,415
Child Services Coordination - Medicaid	112,323
Child Health Medicaid	92,844
Home Health - State	36,300
Home Health - Medicaid	500,000
Home Health - Medicare	4,716,493
Home Health - Local	100,000
Health Promotion	82,287
Comp Breast Screening - State	53,726
Adult Health - Med XIX	25,000
Childrens Special Health - Medicaid	4,700
Childrens Special Health - State	10,704
Maternal Health Medicaid	530,000
WIC - State	272,066
Communicable Disease - State	48,097
Communicable Disease - Medicaid	1,000
Environmental Health	5,800
Aid to Social Services Administration	2,947,790
State Aid to DSS Administration	77,481
IV-D Incentive & Cost Recovery	89,074
ACTS Grant	1,739
Food Stamp Fraud Recovery	1,739
Emergency Food Administration	6,000
Families First Grant	24,603
State Aid to Library	138,304
Concealed Weapon Fees	1,000
Arrest Fees	58,000
Facilities Fees	70,000
Environmental Health Fees	47,000
Child Safety Seats	500
Family Planning Fees	15,000
Adult Health Fees	26,000
Child Health Fees	2,000
Communicable Disease - Local	1,000
Health Assess-Smart Start	15,000
Health Ck Coordination-Smart Start	14,800
Maternal Health - Local	1,000
Building Permits	100,000

Expenditures:

Governing Body	\$ 195,639
County Administration	177,626
Planning	41,211
Elections	216,329
Finance	253,398
Tax Administration	682,234
Professional Services	125,049
Register of Deeds	479,797
Economic Development	170,140
Travel and Tourism	75,000
Courthouse and Grounds	217,766
Judges' Chambers	4,130
Social Services Building	395,816
Administrative Building	46,165
Senior Citizens Center	21,340
Miller Building	294,570
Public Buildings (All Other)	443,629
Farm Services Building	186,761
Sheriff's Department	2,062,133
Cops Universal Grant	132,056
Family Triage Grant	36,771
Families First	34,603
Drug Task Force Grant	126,022
District Court	17,925
Criminal Justice Partnership	83,703
Law Enforcement Center	1,362,685
Fire Marshal	88,071
Emergency Services	543,372
Inspections	126,019
Wise Woman	38,816
Environmental Health	317,134
Childhood Lead Poisoning	4,000
Health Ck Coordination - Smart Start	14,800
Comm. Traffic Safety Program	7,567
Immunization Outreach	18,559
Comp Breast Screening	53,726
Communicable Disease - Aids & T B	78,130
Health Assess - Smart Start	16,775
Health Promotion	152,171
Child Services Coordination	158,738
Child Health Care	219,171

Cooperative Health	543,357
Family Planning	172,915
Maternal Health	616,676
Home Health	5,357,793
Childrens Special Health Services	15,404
W. I. C.	272,066
Animal Control	116,410
Coroner and Acting Medical	26,272
Cooperative Extension	313,212
Soil Conservation Service	91,517
Veterans' Service Officer	68,401
Social Services Administration	4,367,771
Recreation Department	419,672
Library	992,343
Library Grants	13,044
Airport	53,921
Non-Departmental	207,000
Education	7,920,374
Special Appropriations	944,226
Miscellaneous	31,000
Interfund Transfers	6,047,799

TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$	38,310,720
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LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND

Revenue:	\$	39,999
Expenditure:	\$	39,999

AGING FUND

Revenues:

Miscellaneous	\$	142,579
Donations		20,615
Federal Grant		417,605
Long-Term Screening		913,067
Personal Care		1,460,026
Title III-B		71,928
County Appropriations		56,870
Fund Balance Appropriated		250,000

TOTAL	\$	3,332,690
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Expenditures:

Care Management	\$	59,775
Personal Care Services		1,185,570
Bug Hill Senior Center		36,825
Chore Title IIIB; Title X		563,625
Community Alternative		827,430
Information/Case Assistance		72,580
Tabor City Senior Center		37,825
Whiteville Senior Center		77,045
Nutrition		211,775
Minor Home Repairs		5,000
Transportation		62,885
Home Delivered Meals		112,310
Fair Bluff Senior Center		40,090

East Columbus Senior Center	39,955
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TOTAL	\$3, 332,690

DEBT SERVICE FUND

Revenues:

Contribution - School Building Capital Funds	\$	521,212
Contribution - County Hospital		983,062
Contribution - Schools Sales Tax		619,000
Contribution - General		779,681
Contribution - Water District		74,052
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TOTAL	\$	2,977,007

Expenditures:

Debt Service	TOTAL	\$	2,977,007
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INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

Revenue	\$	109,435
Expenditures	\$	109,435

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT I

Revenue:

Miscellaneous Revenue	\$	6,263
Refunds		700-
Water Sales and Fees		190,700
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TOTAL	\$	196,263

Expenditures:

Columbus County Water District			
	TOTAL	\$	196,263

SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND

Revenue:

Refunds and Releases	\$	25,000-
Interest		20,000
State Aid - Tire Disposal		50,000
Tipping Fees		800,000
Solid Waste Collection Fees		2,019,132
Transfer from General Fund		812,463
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TOTAL	\$	3,676,595

Expenditures:

Solid Waste Enterprise

TOTAL \$ 3,676,595

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND

Revenue:

State Aid-Foster Home Care	\$ 234,952
State Foster Care	25,303
Day Care - State	1,532,552
Emergency Assistance Program	101,385
Incentive & 4-D	125,856
Transfer from General Fund	3,749,294
Fund Balance Appropriated	6,738

TOTAL \$ 5,776,080

Expenditures:

Child Day Care - State	\$ 1,532,552
Family Planning - Title XX	800
Medicaid Drafts	3,133,749
Special Assistance to Adults	678,796
Foster Home Care	300,000
Adoption Assistance Payments	8,000
State Foster Care	100,000
Special Assistance for the Blind	22,183

TOTAL \$ 5,776,080

H.U.D. FUND

Revenue: \$ 1,593,177

Expenditure: \$ 1,593,177

REVALUATION FUND

Revenue: \$ 20,000

Expenditure: \$ 20,000

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Revenue:

E911 Surcharge \$ 445,000

Expenditure: \$ 445,000

SPECIAL ALCOHOL /DRUG FUND

Revenues:

Interest	\$ 300
Miscellaneous	500
Controlled Substance	15,000
U.S. Marshal - DEA	<u>9,200</u>

TOTAL \$ 25,000

Expenditures:

Departmental Supplies	\$	5,000
Miscellaneous		2,000
Capital Outlay		<u>18,000</u>
TOTAL	\$	25,000

FIRE AND RESCUE TAX

Revenue:

Evergreen District Tax	\$	15,200
Releases		<u>200-</u>
TOTAL	\$	15,000

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	15,000
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Revenue:

St. James Volunteer District Tax	\$	9,000
Releases		50-
Inventory Tax		<u>60</u>
TOTAL	\$	9,010

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	9,010
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Revenue:

North Whiteville District Fee	\$	46,000
Refunds		50-
Releases		<u>750-</u>
TOTAL	\$	45,200

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	45,200
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Revenues:

Old Dock-Cypress Creek District Tax	\$	19,000
Releases		500-
Inventory Tax		<u>150</u>
TOTAL	\$	18,650

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	18,650
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Revenue:

Hallsboro Fire District Tax	\$	34,000
Refunds		14-

Releases	1,250-
Inventory Tax	<u>200</u>
TOTAL	\$ 32,936
Expenditure:	
Remittance to District	\$ 32,936
Revenue:	
Roseland Fire District Tax	\$ 31,100
Refunds	46-
Releases	600-
Inventory Tax	<u>200</u>
TOTAL	\$ 30,654
Expenditure:	
Remittance to District	\$ 30,654
Revenues:	
Yam City Fire District Tax	\$ 51,970
Refunds	150-
Releases	1,600-
Inventory Tax	<u>300</u>
TOTAL	\$ 50,520
Expenditure:	
Remittance to District	\$ 50,520
Revenue:	
Acme-Delco Fire District Tax	\$ 140,000
Refunds	13-
Releases	1,700-
Inventory Tax	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 143,287
Expenditure:	
Remittance to District	\$ 143,287
Revenue:	
Klondyke Fire District	\$ 72,336
Refunds	34-
Releases	1,200-
Inventory Tax	<u>4,686</u>
TOTAL	\$ 75,788
Expenditure:	
Remittance to District	\$ 75,788

Revenues:

Cole's Service District Fund	\$	42,955
Refunds		47-
Releases		250-
Inventory Tax		<u>9,118</u>
TOTAL	\$	51,776

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	51,776
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Revenues:

Cerro Gordo District Fund	\$	43,900
Refunds		5-
Releases		750-
Inventory Tax		<u>256</u>
TOTAL	\$	43,401

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	43,401
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Revenues:

Williams Township District Fund	\$	40,760
Refunds		51-
Releases		400-
Inventory Tax		<u>250</u>
TOTAL	\$	40,559

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	40,559
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Revenues:

White Marsh-Welches Creek	\$	26,400
Refunds		9-
Releases		550-
Inventory Tax		<u>150</u>
TOTAL	\$	25,991

Expenditures:

Remittance to District	\$	25,991
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Revenues:

Whiteville Rescue Service District	\$	111,700
Refunds		71-
Releases		1,400-
Inventory Tax		<u>598</u>
TOTAL	\$	110,827

Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	110,827
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Revenues:

Brunswick Fire District	\$	69,400
Refunds		29-
Releases		1,400-
Inventory Tax		<u>370</u>

TOTAL	\$	68,341
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Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	68,341
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Revenues:

Bolton Fire District	\$	20,000
Refunds		20-
Releases		700-
Inventory Tax		<u>120</u>

TOTAL	\$	19,400
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Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	19,400
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Revenues:

Buckhead Fire District	\$	8,300
Releases		50-
Inventory Tax		<u>50</u>

TOTAL	\$	8,300
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Expenditure:

Remittance to District	\$	8,300
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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

All Capital Projects Continued

TOTAL REVENUES (ALL FUNDS)	\$ 57,291,606
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES (ALL FUNDS)	\$ 57,291,606
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SECTION II. TAX RATE LEVY: There is hereby levied for the fiscal year 1998-99 an ad valorem property tax on all property having a situs in Columbus County as listed for taxes as of January 1, 1998, at a rate of Sixty-nine and one-half (\$0.695) Cents per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed value of such property pursuant to and in accordance with the Machinery Act of Chapter 105 of the North Carolina General Statutes and other applicable laws. The estimated revenues from the ad valorem property tax are based on an established collection during the 1998-99 fiscal year of Ninety-six (96%) percent of the levy and the estimated taxable base of \$2,310,500,000.00.

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

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

SECTION III. Building Inspection fees are amended as reflected by Board action.

SECTION IV. SCHEDULE B. LICENSES: The business license fees are hereby continued for Fiscal Year 1998-99.

SECTION V. SOLID WASTE FEES: The Solid Waste Tipping Fee is hereby amended for Fiscal Year 1998-99. The Collection and Landfill Fees are hereby continued for Fiscal Year 1998-99.

Commercial and Residential Tipping Fee	\$ 38.95/Ton
LCID and C&D Materials Tipping Fee	\$ 30.00/Ton
Collection and Landfill Fee for County Residents	\$100.00/Annually
Landfill Fee for Municipal Residents	\$ 60.00/Annually

SECTION VI. SALARIES: The following provision shall govern salary and wage compensation for Fiscal Year 1998-99.

PAY PLAN

There is hereby continued a pay plan applicable to all County employees. The pay plan shall have a range of twenty (20) steps with each step increasing by two and one-half (2½%) percent.

County employees will receive a five percent (5% - 2 steps) across-the-board salary increase.

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

SECTION VIII. APPROPRIATIONS: The amount of the General Fund proposed for the Fiscal Year 1998-99 is hereby appropriated to the County Administrator for the operations of the Columbus County Government and its departments and agencies for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1998 and ending June 30, 1999. In administering the program authorized under this Ordinance, the County Administrator is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund between objects of expenditures within a department without limitations and without a report being requested, and between departments within a fund not to exceed Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars. Appropriations for land and new buildings included in this Ordinance may be expended only after release by the Board of

Commissioners. The Chairman of the Board and the Administrator are hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreements within funds included in the Budget Ordinance for the following purposes:

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

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

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

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

SECTION XI. This Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 1998.

.....Adopted this the 15th day of June, 1998.

Motion by Commissioner A. Dial Gray, III, seconded by Commissioner C.E. Wilson and passed unanimously.

/s/ David L. Dutton, Jr., Chairman

Columbus County Board of
Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

**ORDINANCE (CAPITAL PROJECT AMENDMENT) - AIRPORT RUNWAY
EXTENSION**

The Board concurred unanimously to approve the following Capital Project Ordinance Amendment for the Columbus County Airport Runway Extension.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY AIRPORT
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
ORIGINAL ADOPTION: May 20, 1996**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 159-13.2 of the General Statutes of

North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance Amendment is HEREBY ADOPTED:

SECTION 1. The project authorized is the Columbus County Airport Land Acquisition and Construction Runway Extension (Project Number 9.9933960).

SECTION 2. The project director is hereby directed to proceed with the construction of the project within the terms of the various grant and loan agreements executed with the Federal and State governments in accordance with the limitations set forth in Section 143 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and within the funds appropriated herein.

SECTION 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the County to complete the project:

N.C. Dept. Of Transportation (State Aid to Airports) (Account Number 60-348-9600)	\$37,858
Interest Earned (Account Number 60-329-0000)	4,207
AMENDED REVENUE INCREASE	\$ 42,065

SECTION 4. The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

State Aid - Airport Project 9.9933960 (Account Number 60-650-7300)	\$42,065
AMENDED EXPENSE INCREASE	\$42,065

SECTION 5. The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly on the financial status of the project. She shall also keep the Governing Body informed at each regular meeting of any unusual occurrence.

SECTION 6. Copies of the Capital Project Ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out the project.

ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 1998.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

/s/ David L. Dutton, Chairman

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The Board concurred unanimously to approve the following budget amendments.

Appropriate 20-397-1500 Debt Service - Water District Contribution		\$1,841
Expend 20-661-8200 Interest on Water Bonds		1,841
Accept 10-348-0000 NC CCPS State Aid - Emergency Management		\$ 5,493
Accept 10-349-0100 NRCS - EWP Grant		40,716
Expend 10-410-6000 Special Projects		\$46,209
Transfer 10-425-0200 Planning - Salaries		\$ 4,000
Expend 10-450-1101 Tax Office - Postage		4,000
Appropriate 66-329-0000 Georgia Pacific Project - Interest		\$10,691
Appropriate 66-335-0000 GP Project - Miscellaneous Revenue		11,551
Expend 66-495-0400 Professional Services		\$22,242
Transfer 10-590-0200	Health General Fund - Salaries	(\$4,829)
Increase 10-579-0200	Environmental Health - Salaries	4,965
Decrease 10-579-0201	Longevity	(75)
Decrease 10-579-05	FICA	(166)
Increase 10-579-06	Insurance	221
Decrease 10-579-07	Retirement	(116)
Transfer 10-590-0200	Health General Fund - Salaries	(\$26,150)
Expend in Environmental Health as follows:		
10-575-0200	Salaries	\$16,000
10-575-0500	FICA	800
10-575-0600	Insurance	1,050
10-575-0700	Retirement	1,100
10-575-1100	Telephone	200
10-575-1400	Travel	7,000
Increase 30-329-0000	Internal Service Fund Interest	\$ 1,800
Decrease 30-392-0000	Departmental Contributions	(22,659)
	(Due to malfunction in accounting equipment)	
Increase 30-399-0000	Retained Earnings	\$20,859
Increase 40-399-0000	Public Assistance Fund Balance Appropriated	\$600,000
Decrease 40-397-0000	Transfer from General Fund	(600,000)
Decrease 10-399-0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	(600,000)
Decrease 10-900-4000	Transfer to Public Assistance	(600,000)
Increase 70-690-0200	Salaries	\$ 800
Increase 70-690-0500	FICA	62
Decrease 70-690-0000	Reserve for Revaluation	(862)
Appropriate 10-335-0000	Sheriff's Department - Miscellaneous Revenue	\$1,000
Expend 10-510-3300	Departmental Supplies	\$1,000

Close Capital Project - Farm Services Building completed as follows:


<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
64-335-0000 Miscellaneous	\$.00	\$ 1,018.45	\$ 1,018.45
64-385-0000 Bank Loan - BB&T	271,449.42	1,228,550.58	1,500,000.00
64-397-1000 Transfer from General Fund	.00	34,821.75	34,821.75
TOTAL REVENUE	\$271,449.42	\$1,264,390.78	\$1,535,840.20

<u>Expenditures:</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
64-610-0400 Professional Services	\$ 78,878.86	\$ 13,039.82	\$ 91,918.68
64-610-5700 Miscellaneous	1,800.00	.00	1,800.00
64-610-7500 Construction	188,781.00	1,253,340.52	1,442,121.52
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$269,459.86	\$1,266,380.34	\$1,535,840.20

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the Meeting at 8:40 P.M.

APPROVED:


Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board


David L. Dutton, Chairman