COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Monday, October 15, 2012 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 a Public Hearing and their regularly scheduled meeting on the third Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman** Charles T. McDowell, **Vice Chairman** James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd P. Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard William S. Clark, **County Manager** Mike Stephens, **County Attorney** June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board** Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Lynwood Norris

6:30 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING -

Proposed Schedules, Standards, and Rules for the 2013 Revaluation: the purpose of the Public hearing is to receive input and comments from all interested parties.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED:

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie opened the Public Hearing, and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input and comments from all interested parties on the Proposed Schedules, Standards and Rules for the 2013 Revaluation. Chairman McKenzie requested that Mike Stephens, County Attorney, orally read the Policy on Comments at Public Hearings. Mr. Stephens orally read the policy in its entirety.

COMMENTS:

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

- 1. **Commissioner Russ:** stated the following:
 - A. After The News Reporter was delivered, I received numerous telephone calls about Lake Waccamaw; **and**
 - B. It has been requested that this Public Hearing be postponed until the next scheduled meeting; **and**
 - C. This location will not be large enough to accommodate the people who will attend.

Richard Gore: stated the following:

- A. The comment that I made was made back in July, 2012;
- B. We had looked at sales and we did not go up on the value of the water-front property;
- C. The value of the land will be the same now;
- D. The value of the houses will fair the same as anywhere else;
- E. The later sales that we have, the majority of them are pretty much on the tax value or a little bit lower;
- F. Some of them are a lot higher, and there is a mismatch in there; **and**
- G. We are not increasing the value of the property on the lake water front.
- 2. **Chairman McKenzie:** Mr. Gore, what is the overall percentage of the increase in the property value?

Richard Gore: About 2.5% since the 2005 revaluation.

3. **Commissioner Prevatte:** stated the following:

A. I agree with Commissioner Russ, and I would like for us to have another Public Hearing;

- C. I have not personally talked to anyone that feels like their property has gone up 2.5%;
- D. I would like to make it in the form of motion to hold another Public Hearing; and
- E. This information was not put in the libraries like you asked.

Richard Gore: That is the overall average of the increase. Some stayed the same, some decreased and some were more. We do have a time frame to do this.

4. **Chairman McKenzie:** What time frame do we have?

Richard Gore: replied stating the following:

- A. It has to be finished before January 1, 2013;
- B. We will send out a notice on everybody's property; and
- C. We will give them ample time to respond to the notice and then give them each an individual hearing on their property.

Chairman McKenzie: stated the following:

- A. This Board is not satisfied;
- B. They want to have another Public Hearing, and I believe that is what we are going to do;
- C. Make sure this information is put in all of the public libraries so all of the public will have access to it;
- D. This is their lives, their money and their property we are talking about; and
- E. We want to make sure the public has an opportunity to respond.

Richard Gore: This manual does not list each individual's property. This is a schedule of what we use to price the property.

Chairman McKenzie: At least they will have the criteria that was used. They are stating that they have not seen the document. That is where the greatest dilemma is. They are stating they have not seen the document. I did ask you to place this document in each of public libraries.

5. **Commissioner Byrd:** Mr. Gore, you have stated that the taxes did not go up on the lakeshore or waterfront property, but what about the property a block from the water front or farther away?

Richard Gore: Some of those properties did go up because we were low on the value the last time. Some of the properties in the subdivisions went up some, but not a great amount. That is why you have revaluations to equalize the value to the market.

6. **Chairman McKenzie:** Have you computed all properties and have it in data form? Can you do that?

Richard Gore: We can but it is not official until the Board adopts this schedule.

MOTION:

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to establish another Public Hearing on the Proposed Schedules, Standards, and Rules for the 2013 Revaluation, on November 05, 2012, at 6:30 P.M., and to place a copy of the Proposed Schedules, Standards, and Rules for the 2013 Revaluation in each of the six (6) public libraries for public view, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

At 6:41 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

6:41 P.M. REGULAR SESSION

Agenda Items #1, #2 and #3: <u>MEETING CALLED to ORDER, INVOCATION and</u> PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

At 6:41 P.M., Chairman Amon E. McKenzie called the October 15, 2012 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Ricky Bullard. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Vice Chairman Charles T. McDowell.

Agenda Item #4: <u>BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL</u>:

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve the October 01, 2012 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #5: <u>PUBLIC INPUT</u>:

Chairman McKenzie opened the floor for public input.

No public input was received either orally or written.

Agenda Item #6:BEAVER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - OPTION for BEAVER
MANAGEMENT in COLUMBUS COUNTY:

In the absence of John Deans, Chair of the Beaver Management Committee, Edward Davis, Soil and Water Conservation Director, presented the following option to the Board for beaver management in Columbus County.

OPTIONS that the BEAVER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE would like to offer the COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD of COMMISSIONERS

Concerns of the Committee:

- 1. Trapping of beavers is useless if nothing is done with the beaver dams.
- 2. Guaranteeing that all beavers paid for come from Columbus County is a concern. However, the committee feels that their guidelines and bounty program form are as fool proof as it can be.
- 3. USDA-APHIS does not want to work behind private trappers because of reputation of their program and safety reasons.
- 4. To hire a private individual with their explosive certification to blow beaver dams would be expensive.
- 5. Landowners don't participate in USDA-APHIS program because of the portion that they have to pay.

Option 1: Contract with USDA-APHIS to pay an additional \$6,000 to eliminate the Landowner Cost Share Amount

(Concern: Doing so may bring in so many requests that USDA-APHIS can't handle them on a timely basis.)

- 1. USDA-APHIS will contract with the landowner for beaver removal.
- 2. Request USDA-APHIS to make fifteen (15) visits (this is the number of visits that USDA-APHIS has in their guidelines) to s single site annually at no cost to the landowner.
- 3. After fifteen (15) visits to a single site within one (1) year, the landowner will be responsible to pay the cost of \$20 per visit and \$125 for beaver dam removal.
- 4. All persons making a request to beaver management will be directed to contact USDA-APHIS personnel at (910) 648-4116.
- 5. USDA-APHIS will be responsible for keeping a list of requests and working them on a firstcome, first-served basis.
- 6. Request USDA-APHIS to provide a copy of the report sent to Raleigh on a monthly basis to the Beaver Management Committee.
- 7. The Beaver Management Committee will conduct an evaluation of the BMAP Program in

March 0f 2013 to consider the type of funding needed for Program Year 2014.

Option 2: <u>Consideration of the Beaver Bounty Pilot Program</u>

- 1. See the Beaver Bounty Pilot Program Guidelines purposed by the Beaver Management Committee.
- 2. See the Beaver Bounty Pilot Program Certification Form.

BUDGET:

- 1. Contracting with USDA-APHIS to eliminate Cost Share to landowners: \$6,000
- 2. Beaver Bounty Pilot Program:

The Beaver Management Committee would like to present both of these options to the Board of Commissioners at this time for consideration.

\$15,000

BEAVER BOUNTY PILOT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

- 1. The title "Trapper" in this document refers to anyone using a legal means of Beaver management in accordance with the laws of the NC Wildlife Commission for Beaver control.
- 2. Licensed trappers or landowners removing Beaver on land located in Columbus County will receive \$30 for each tagged beaver tail.
- 3. A maximum of 500 tags will be available during this pilot program.
- 4. Tags will be numbered and color coded (Red) to represent the Beaver Bounty Program.
- 5 Tags will be as evenly dispersed as possible by the Beaver Management Committee throughout the county. If only a few request for tags are made in a District, tags may be distributed across other Districts at the discretion of the committee.
- 6. Trappers must pay a refundable deposit of \$2 per tag. No less than 5 and no more than 10 tags will be issued per trapper at a time. This deposit will be refunded to the trapper along with the bounty according to the request for payment guideline Number 17 below. Any trapper not using tags issued to him must return unused tags within 60 days in order to be reimbursed their deposit.
- 7. Licensed trappers may request the Columbus Soil and Water Conservation District to add them to a Contractor's list. The Contractor's list will be available to landowners through the Columbus Soil and Water Conservation District office.
- 8. Landowners will contact individual trappers and contract with them using form CC BBPP-1 (Landowner Trapper agreement form).
- 9. The Landowner Trapper agreement form must be signed by the landowner and kept by the trapper.
- 10. A completed agreement form will be kept by the trapper for each landowner and shall be turned in to the Beaver Management Committee when tagged beaver tails are received by the committee.
- 11. This agreement form certifies by the landowner and the trapper that the tagged Beaver tails were taken on property located in Columbus County. Landowner and Trapper understand that spot checks and/or follow-up phone calls will be performed randomly.
- 12. Landowners and/or trappers making false statements of locations of where beavers were taken will be **subject to criminal prosecution** and will be banned from participation in the Columbus County Beaver Bounty Program.
- 13. The Beaver Management Committee will collect whole, frozen, tagged beaver tails placed in zip sealed bags, on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. The collection site will be at the Agriculture Service Center located at 45 Government Complex Road, Whiteville, NC. Collection of tagged beaver tails will begin at 6:30 P
- 14. Trappers can only turn in tagged Beaver tails for payment in lots of three (3) or more unless a request for payment has been made for all other tags received by the trapper.
- 15. A trapper must use the tags that were previously issued to him before receiving additional tags.
- 16. All trappers participating in the program must obtain a vendor number with Columbus County.
- 17. Request for payment to the trapper will be made through the Columbus Soil and Water Conservation District to the Columbus County Finance Department. Checks will be paid according to Columbus County Finance policy. Please allow 2 to 4 weeks for payment.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BEAVER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM **BEAVER BOUNTY PILOT PROGRAM CERTIFICATION FORM**

LANDOWNER INFORMATION

NAME: ADDRESS: CITY, STATE, ZIP: PHONE: (HOME) (CELL)

PROPERTY ID NUMBER(S): DATE OF TRAPPING:____THROUGH____ NUMBER OF BEAVERS TRAPPED: SIGNATURE DATE

DISCLAIMER

I, the landowner of the above identified property, hereby understand that I assume full responsibility for the liability of Beaver trapping on my land and in no way hold Columbus County, its agencies or any committees appointed by Columbus County responsible for any disturbance associated with beaver trapping to my property. I also understand that the information provided on this public document may be subject to disclosure under the North Carolina Public Records Act.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that _____ (Number) Beaver(s) have been caught on Property Number(s) located in Columbus County according to the guidelines of the Columbus County Beaver Bounty program. I understand that any misrepresentation of these numbers will be considered fraud and; that landowners and/or trappers making false statements of locations of where beavers were taken will be subject to criminal prosecution and will be banned from participation in the Columbus County Beaver Bounty Program.

LANDOWNER SIGNATURE

TRAPPER SIGNATURE

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BEAVER COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION

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through (\$30 per Beaver Tail) for tag numbers

BEAVER PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

PAYMENT (Office use only)

I hereby certify that _____ (Beaver Trapper) is eligible to for the above listed tag numbers. receive payment of

ADMINISTRATIVE REPRESENTATIVE

- Mr. Davis stated the following:
- In September, 2012, we held a workshop on the Beaver Bounty Policy in Columbus County; 1.
- We have two (2) options we would like to present to the Board; 2.
- 3. There were some items of concern the committee was to go back and discuss and bring back to the Board;
- 4. There were some concerns of the committee on several different issues as follows:
 - The lack of participation by the landowners in the USDA Program; A.
 - USDA states they have worked with the landowners, and they do not get a lot of В. participation;
 - C. Landowners tell me they don't want to pay for something the State brought in;
 - D. USDA states they do not want to go behind other trappers due to their reputation as well as safety reasons;
 - E. USDA has been working with Columbus County since the inception of the BMAP Program;
 - F. In 2007, Columbus County contracted for the hire of one (1) man for one (1) year;
 - G. The cost to Columbus county at that time was \$30,000.00, plus the \$4,000 BMAP.

TRAPPER INFORMATION

(HOME)

LICENSE NUMBER: TRAPPING DATES: TAG NUMBER(S): SIGNATURE DATE

DATE

DATE

DATE

DATE

NAME: ADDRESS: CITY, STATE, ZIP: PHONE: (CELL)

- H. That price has increased to \$50,000.00, plus the \$4,000 BMAP participation;
- I. Number one priority for BMAP is public safety, and then they look at private properties after that top priority;
- J. The contract that we have with USDA is for the assessment, at free of charge;
- K. If there is a problem, they go into a contractual agreement with BMAP at \$20.00 per visit, and \$125.00 per each dam that is blown;
- L. That is where the public has had problems with having to pay these charges;
- M. BMAP states it would take 15 visits at \$20.00 each visit, and this is what it would take in a month's time;
- N. I have discussed this with Butch Adams, and he has talked to his piers in Raleigh about eliminating the landowner cost in Columbus County;
- O. It would cost the County an additional six thousand and 00/100 (\$6,000.00) dollars to eliminate that cost-share amount to the property owner;
- P. One of the concerns that I have, their phones would ring off the hook, and they would have to work it on a first-come, first-served basis;
- Q. I talked to Butch Adams today and he said he would have to talk to his superiors as to whether to amend the current contract that we have with USDA or if they would have to re-write the contract if we decide to do this;
- R. Their priorities are public health and safety, particularly along public highway rightof-ways, and county-owned property;
- S. Work for individual landowners is next, followed by work for the Soil and Water Conservation District, municipalities, corporate landowners and others;
- T. USDA-APHIS have guidelines they follow and they will continue to work under those same type guidelines, and that is a State mandate;
- U. The Beaver Management Program Committee is requesting them to provide us with a copy of the report they send to Raleigh on a monthly basis;
- V. One of the issues that we have seen is the varying amounts of the number of beavers that are caught per year;
- W. The Beaver Management Committee would like to conduct an evaluation of the BMAP Program in March, 2013, to consider the type of funding needed for Program Year 2014;
- X. Another option we are presenting is the Beaver Bounty Pilot Program;
- Y. One of the concerns was determining if the beaver was trapped in Columbus County or another county;
- Z. The issue was how do we eliminate fraud, and it was recommended to charge a fee or fine of \$500.00;
- AA. I talked to Mike Stephens, County Attorney, and he states the County would need to have an Ordinance in place in order to charge the fee or fine;
- BB. I then suggested that we place the term "subject to criminal prosecution" in the Beaver Bounty Pilot Program Guidelines, and we were faced with the issue of who will prosecute?;

Mike Stephens, County Attorney: stated the following:

- 1. That would be a State law violation;
- 2. The Sheriff's Department would investigate and turn it over to the District Attorney's Office, and he would prosecute; **and**
- 3. That would be like obtaining property by false pretense, then getting money under fraud, committing a fraud by signing this document stating they got that beaver in Columbus County, and in actuality they did not, and then you gave them money in exchange, and that would perpetrate fraud; **and**
- 4. That is a felony.
- CC. These are the two (2) options the Committee would like to present to the Board.

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

1. **Chairman McKenzie:** On Item #13 of Beaver Bounty Pilot Program Guidelines, why the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Mondays on the collection of the beaver tails?

Edward Davis: that would allow people different options to turn the beaver tails in.

2. **Commissioner Prevatte:** On Option 1, Number 3, is this the change you spoke about relating to the first fifteen (15) visits would not cost the landowner?

Edward Davis: the first fifteen (15) visits would be on the County. I talked to John Deans, and he suggested that we remove that. This has not been presented to the committee yet. The BMAP Program guarantees their week.

Commissioner Prevatte: When the committee met the last time, are they interested in both of these options or just one of them?

Edward Davis: when the committee met the last thing, several of the members did not want to charge the landowners anything. They are interested in doing both of the options.

3. Vice Chairman McDowell: stated the following:

- A. I am in favor of moving forward with this;
- B. Approximately thirty (30) beavers are being caught on private landowners' land;
- C. With the cost of this program at \$54,000.00 for thirty (30) beavers would equate to \$1,800.00 per beaver, and that is a lot of money per beaver; **and**
- D. My question is, is there any way we could have a trapper go and trap the beavers, the trapper to state that he has eradicated the dam of the beavers, and then be responsible for going back to that dam with the BMAP people when they destroy the dam?

Edward Davis: I have not talked with Butch Adams about doing that. I know they do go behind certain reputable trappers and do that. They may provide us some type of list of the trappers. I will need to discuss this with Butch Adams and get their blessings on this.

4. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:

- A. There is a certain amount of footage from a State highway that a trapper can trap the beavers and charge the amount to D.O.T.; **and**
- B. This leads to a false report in the number of beavers trapped on private land.

Edward Davis: The legislators in Raleigh have put together monies for the BMAP Program to cover all one hundred (100) counties for roadways. Their top priority is public safety in the amount of \$400,000.00 for all one hundred (100) counties, which equates to \$4,000.00 per county.

5. **Commissioner Byrd:** my biggest problem is on game land where my property adjoins the game land and, and that is where the beavers are located.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to move forward with the Beaver Management Program and accept Option 1 and Option 2, adjust #2 and #3 in Option 1, with the right to review the program in six (6) months, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

William S. Clark, County Manager, requested the Board to designate where the additional funds for the Beaver Management Program would be taken from.

AMENDED MOTION:

Vice Chairman McDowell made an amended motion to move forward with the Beaver Management Program and accept Option 1 and Option 2, adjust #2 and #3 in Option 1, with the right to review the program in six (6) months, the additional twenty-one thousand and 00/100 (\$21,000.00) dollars would be taken from the Contingency Fund, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #7:BEAVER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - REPLACEMENT of
COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

In the absence of John Deans, Chair of the Beaver Management Committee, Edward Davis, Soil and Water Conservation Director, requested the non-attending members of the Beaver Management Committee be replaced.

The following discussion was conducted:

Chairman McKenzie: I will replace Alfonza George.

Commissioner Byrd: I would like the Clerk to the Board to send letters to my two (2) appointees and ask if they wish to continue to serve or want to be replaced, and to contact me with their reply. **Vice Chairman McDowell:** I would like the Clerk to the Board to send a letter to my appointee and ask if he wishes to continue to serve or to be replaced, and that he contact me with his reply. **Commissioner Bullard:** I would like to replace Freddie McPherson with Dan Jones, and a thank you letter to be sent to Freddie McPherson.

Agenda Item #8: <u>FINANCE - APPROVAL of INDIRECT COST PLAN CONTRACT</u>:

Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Director, requested Board approval of an Agreement to Provide Professional Consulting Services for a cost allocation plan by Maximus Consulting Services, Incorporated, at the cost of five thousand, seven hundred fifty, and 00/100 (\$5,750.00) dollars per fiscal year, for fiscal years 2011, 2012 and 2013.

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the Agreement to Provide Professional Consulting Services for a cost allocation plan by Maximus Consulting Services, Incorporated, at the cost of five thousand, seven hundred fifty, and 00/100 (\$5,750.00) dollars per fiscal year, for fiscal years 2011, 2012 and 2013, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this agreement will be marked as Exhibit "A", and kept on file in Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 5, in the Clerk to the Board's Office, for review.

Agenda Item #9: <u>LEGAL and PROFESSIONAL - ACCEPTANCE of GIFT DEED and</u> <u>LETTER of APPRECIATION</u>:

Michael H. Stephens, County Attorney, requested Board approval of the following gift deed from BESSLE, LLC, and approval of a letter of appreciation.

This instrument prepared by and returned to Michael H. Stephens, County Attorney

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

DEED OF GIFT

Parcel Identifier No.

THIS DEED made this 27th day of September, 2012, by and between BESSLE, LLC, a Virginia Limited Liability company and qualified to do business in the State of North Carolina, Grantor, and COLUMBUS COUNTY, Grantee, 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472.

WITNESSETH:

THAT SAID GRANTOR has donated, given, granted and conveyed and by these presents does hereby donate, give, grant and convey unto the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, the following described tract or parcel of land lying and being in Columbus County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a found concrete monument, said concrete monument being the southern most corner of a tract belonging to Bessle Limited Partnership as recorded in Book 531, at Page 842, Columbus County Registry; thence with the southwestern property line of said tract, also the northeastern property line of a tract owned by the State Highway and Public Works Commission as recorded in Book 147, at Page 315, Columbus County Registry, North 25 degrees 42 minutes 53 seconds West 202.32 feet to a set iron stake; thence North 47 degrees 28 minutes 47 seconds East 394.74 feet to a set iron stake in the southeast line of said Bessle Limited Partnership; thence with said property line, South 17 degrees 05 minutes 40 seconds West 286.44 feet to a set iron stake; thence continuing with said line South 34 degrees 09 minutes 44 seconds West 211.84 feet to a found concrete monument, the point of beginning. Containing 1.08 acres.

Said above described property is donated, given, granted and conveyed for the sole purpose of being used as part of the taxi-way at the Columbus County Airport.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid lot or parcel of land and all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging to the Grantee in fee simple.

AND THE GRANTOR COVENANT with the Grantee, that the Grantor is seized of the premises in fee simple and have the right to convey the same in fee simple, that title is marketable and free and clear of all encumbrances, except all ad valorem taxes; the provisions of all applicable zoning and land use ordinances, statutes and regulations; and the provisions of all applicable restrictive covenants and utility easements of record, if any, and that the Grantor will warrant and defend the title against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever, except for those exceptions herein stated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has caused this instrument to be signed in its corporate name by its duly authorized officers and its seal to be hereunto affixed by authority of its Board of Directors, the day and year first above written.

BESSLE, LLC /s/ ELIZABETH MAGENBAUER General Managing Partner

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA COUNTY OF ROANOKE

I, a Notary Public for the County of Salem, Virginia, do hereby certify that Elizabeth Magenbauer personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged that she is the General Managing Partner of Bessle, LLC, a Virginia limited liability company qualified to do business in the State of North Carolina, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the limited liability company, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name.

Witness my hand and official seal or stamp, this 27th day of September, 2012.

/s/ JOSEPH EUGENE TUCCIARONE Notary Public

My commission expires: 07/31/2014

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the gift deed from BESSLE, LLC, and approval of a letter of appreciation, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #10:LEGAL and PROFESSIONAL - APPROVAL and ADOPTION of
RESOLUTION APPROVING CONVEYANCE of PROPERTY
PURSUANT to N.C.G.S. § 160A-270:

Michael H. Stephens, County Attorney, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Resolution Approving Conveyance of Property Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 160A-270.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONVEYANCE of PROPERTY PURSUANT to NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE § G. S. 160A-270

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus owns certain property indicated on Attachment A located in Bolton Township, Columbus County, State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus has by this resolution declared the aforementioned property to be surplus to its needs; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 160A-270 authorizes a county to sell real property at public auction upon approval of the Board of County Commissioners and after publication of a notice announcing the auction:

THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY RESOLVES THAT:

1. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the sale at public auction the property

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indicated on Attachment A.

- 2. The auction will be conducted at 10:00 a.m., Monday, November 26, 2012 in the Lobby of the Columbus County Courthouse, Whiteville, North Carolina.
- 3. The terms of the sale are that the buyer must present at the auction a bid deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, either in cash or with a certified check. This deposit will be held by the County until either the Board of Commissioners rejects the high bid for the property or, if the Board of Commissioners accepts the high bid, the closing of the sale. The deposit will be forfeited to the County if the high bidder refuses to close the sale after the bid has been approved by the Board of Commissioners.
- 4. After the auction, the high bid for the property shall be reported to the Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners will accept or reject the bid within 30 days after the bid is reported to it. No sale may be completed until the Board of Commissioners has approved the high bid.
- 5. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to withdraw any listed property from the auction at any time before the auction sale of the property.

ADOPTED this the 15th day of October, 2012.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS /s/ AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman

ATTESTED BY: /s/ JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RESOLUTION ATTACHMENT A

- **Tract 1:** BEGINNING at a stake East Margin line of Williams Street at Northern end of said street near Barbacue Bay, and runs with said Street South 1 ½ degrees East fifty (50) feet to a Stake; thence South 86 ½ degrees 100 feet to a stake; thence North 1 ½ degrees West 100 feet to a stake, THE BEGINNING, and being the Northern half of Lot #20 in block #1 as shown in a map made by James M. Shipman for Donald McRacken which said plat includes the Western portion of the field formerly occupied by Josef and Mariah Williams and shown on Lot #20 and this deed conveys all the Northern half of the said lot. Being the same land conveyed by Lena Graham to Redin Floyd by deed dated December 27, 1922, recorded in Book 116, Page 28, Columbus County Registry.
- Tract II:BEGINNING at Redin Floyd's South corner; thence South 1 ½ degrees East fifty
feet to a stake; thence East 86 ½ degrees East 100 feet to a stake; thence North 1 ½
degrees West 50 feet to a stake; thence West 86 ½ degrees 100 feet to the
BEGINNING, and being Lot #21 in Block #1 as shown on plat.
- **Tract III:** BEGINNING at a stake in the Southwest corner of Lot #21; thence South with Williams Street South 86 ½ degrees East 50 feet to a stake; thence East 1 ½ degrees West 100 feet to a stake; thence North 1 ½ degrees East 50 feet to a stake; thence West 100 feet TO THE BEGINNING; and being Lot #22 in block #1 as designated in a plat made by James Shipman for Donald McRacken which said plat includes the Western portion of field formerly owned and occupied by Joseph Williams.

BEING the same as conveyed by Curtis Floyd and wife, Louise Floyd to Ronnie Kirksey and Chyrel Floyd by deed dated March 10, 1978, recorded in Book 306, Page 748, Columbus County Registry. For back title see deed to Floyd in Book 308, Page 57, Columbus County Registry.

This property is located at 92 13th Street, Bolton, North Carolina 28423

Mr. Stephens stated the following:

- 1. This is a CHAF property in Bolton which was subject to a tax foreclosure;
- 2. The County had to buy it subject to the State's guidelines; and
- 3. We think it is surplus to the County's needs and we need to try and sell it.

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the Resolution Approving Conveyance of Property Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 160A-270, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #11: <u>APPOINTMENTS//RE-APPOINTMENTS/REPLACEMENTS to</u> <u>BOARDS</u>:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested the following appointments/re-appointments/replacements be made.

COMMITTEE	DISTRICT /EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR DATE	BOARD ACTION
City of Whiteville Planning and Zoning Board	EB	Rick Robinson (ETJ) (Resigned)	05-16- 2016	HOLD
Planning Board	III	Virgil Nichols	09-30- 2012	HOLD
Department of Aging Advisory Council	VI	Jessie Spivey	06-30- 2015	HOLD

Agenda Item #12: <u>SOLID WASTE - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE</u>:

Kip McClary, Solid Waste Director, delivered the following departmental update to the Board.

Total Customers:

County Residents: 19,045 Municipal Residents: 4,949

Total Tonnage Collected and Transferred to Sampson County:

MSW:	35,862.67 Tons
Brown Goods:	2,412.17 Tons
C&D/Roofing:	32,917.34 Tons
TOTAL:	41,192.18

Total Land-filled Locally:

Yard Waste:	2,897.26 Tons
LCID:	112.47 Tons
TOTAL:	3,009.73 Tons

Litter Enforcement Amounts:

Complaints: 54 Convictions: 0

Total Recycled:

Plastics/Glass	White Goods	Tires	Electronics	Batteries Auto	Used Engine Oil
42.41 Tons	261.00 Tons	807.14 Tons	169.66 Tons	122 Each	3,561 Gallons

<u>Cardboard/Newsprint</u>: 160.16 Tons

Hurricane Debris Staged and Burned Onsite at Landfill: 497.3	7 Tons
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State Aid Funding:

White Goods Metals	\$ 29,369.44
Scrap Tires	\$105,883.15

The fourth quarter disbursement has not been received yet from the state for the scrap tires or the white goods.

Landfill Gas Project:

Collection System, Flare Unit, Greenhouse, and Head-house/Office:

Generators, Power Grid Connection, and Monitoring Equipment:

Initial Grant -\$544,500.00 Grant Addendum -\$455,000.00 To date, the Collection System and Flare Station is complete. The Head-house is in its final stages. The Power Grid is installed. The Generators are connected but not yet operational. The Monitoring Equipment has been ordered.

Landfill Repairs: Ongoing maintenance operation.

<u>Compliance with NCDENR</u>: No violations.

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

At 7:29 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into a **<u>combination meeting</u>** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #13: <u>COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV</u> and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

October 01, 2012 <u>Combination Meeting</u> 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 each Water District respectively.

Agenda Item #14:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the SEPTEMBER, 2012
MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 1 for each Water District respectively.

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

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn the <u>combination meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: <u>CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS</u>:

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

ТҮРЕ	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	10-4310-535300	M & R Vehicles	5,664
Revenues 10-3431-489000 Misce		Miscellaneous Revenue - Sheriff	5,664
Expenditures	75-9600-569936	Contribution	21,672
Revenues	75-3492-383100	Investment Earnings	21,672
Expenditures	20-4921-569936	Contribution	4,266
Revenues	20-3492-499101	Fund Balance Appropriated	4,266

A. Budget Amendments:

B. Tax Refunds and Releases:

TAX REFUNDS and RELEASES (as submitted to the Governing Body Office from the Tax Office) October 15, 2012

Property Value		Amount:	\$9.98
Floyd, Ronnie Dale Value: \$7,600.00 Year: 2012	PROPERTY : 93316 Account: 16-03911	Total: Bill#: 10685	\$11.44
Release value of boat. Taken to landfill. Re			
Columbus Rescue(.24)		•	
Property Value		Amount:	\$841.08
Onstott, Linda An Clewis (ETALS)	PROPERTY: 890	Total:	\$933.96
Value: \$103,200.00 Year: 2012	Account: 01-01789	Bill#: 28775	
Release portion of value on land. Land use			
Brunswick Fire(72.24), release Whiteville F	Rescue(20.64)		* • • • • • • •
Refunds		Amount:	\$841.08
Elkins, Rachel Page	PROPERTY: 9696	Total:	\$975.24
Value: \$103,200.00 Year: 2011 Refund portion of value on land. Land Use	Account: 05-05241	Bill#: 9696	
transfer. Refund Whiteville Rescue(20.64),			
User Fee	Teruna Water District III(113.32)	Amount:	\$0.00
Blackman, James Gary & Patricia Ann	PROPERTY: 6454	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	Account: 03-01350	Bill#: 475	
Release user fee. Only has 1 can and charge	ed for 2.		
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Columbus Christian Academy	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$2,598.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 09-12	Account: 18-00037	Bill#: 99999	
Release user fees. Uses a commercial hauler	r.		
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Couch, Jill	PROPERTY: 93102	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	Account: 16-05101	Bill#: 6146	
Release user fee. Only has 1 can and charge	d for 2.	A	\$0.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Creech, Phyllis C.	PROPERTY: 76407	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	Account: 14-04003	Bill#: 6489	
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.		Amount:	\$0.00
User Fee			
Etheridge, Carolyn Harrelson Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	PROPERTY : 60439 Account: 03-01534	Total: Bill#: 9499	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012 Release user fee. Vacant. Can picked up 10-		DIII#: 9499	
	-0-10	Amount:	\$0.00
User Fee Jordon, Jook	DRODEDTY: 17212	Total:	\$218.00
Jordan, Jack Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	PROPERTY: 17313 Account: 09-16029	Bill#: 20462	\$218.00
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.	Account. 09-10029	$Dim \pi$. 20402	
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
McAllister, Lonzo Daniel (Heirs)	PROPERTY: 24866	Total:	\$656.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 10-12	Account: 13-24857	Bill#: 99999	
Release user fees. Yrs 2010,2011,2012. Stil	l under construction. Never complet	ed.	
Abandoned,		A <i>i</i>	\$0.00
User Fee		Amount:	\$0.00
Price, Mitchell Wayne Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	PROPERTY : 00000 Account: 06-03630	Total: Bill#: 30896	\$109.00
Release portion of user fee. Single wide mo		DIII#. 30890	
	some nome vuount.	Amount:	\$0.00
<i>User Fee</i> Soles, Charlotte		Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2012	PROPERTY: 00000 Account: 09-04030	Bill#: 36307	¢∠10.00
Release user fee. Vacant and can picked up		2mii. 50507	
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Agenda Item #16: <u>COMMENTS</u>:

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

B. **Department Head:**

Jennifer Holcomb, Travel and Tourism Director: stated the following:

- 1. I would like to give you a quick update on the Hunting Initiative in Columbus County;
- 2. To develop commercial hunting here in Columbus County, we are working with Southeastern Community College to develop a guide training;
- 3. We wanted to make sure the guides that would bring visitors here to hunt were professional, experienced and knowledgeable about the trade;
- 4. We put this on for the past two (2) Mondays, and we had fourteen (14) people come;
- 5. These people came on their own dime;
- 6. I feel that this is a good sentiment to this initiative;
- 7. We have a lot of people that think this is a great opportunity for Columbus County; **and**
- 8. I will keep you abreast of what we are doing.

C. Board of Commissioners:

- 1. **Commissioner Prevatte:** stated the following:
 - A. We have the potential of two (2) new solar farms here in Columbus County;
 - B. Southeastern Community College is looking at the possibility of putting a solar farm on their property also; **and**
 - C. I am officially making this information public.

2. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:

- A. I have had the Chief of the Cerro Gordo Fire Department to tell me there are some dead spots in Cerro Gordo with the new radio system;
- B. I understand that there are some other dead spots in the County also;
- C. I would like for Kay Worley, Emergency Services Director, to give us an update on this;
- D. Can a County ordinance on junkyards affect town ordinances? Can this ordinance impose on the town/city ordinances?; **and**
- E. I have received many telephone calls about this, and it is a growing problem.

Mike Stephens, County Attorney: in order for a County ordinance to affect a town or city, the town or city would have to agree.

3. **Commissioner Russ:** stated the following:

- A. The largest fish fry in the County will be held by the Shriners Club this week as follows:
 Thursday, October 18, 2012 Riegelwood
 Friday, October 19, 2012 Whiteville and Chadbourn Tabor City; and
- B. This weekend will be the Pow Wow in Buckhead, and I would like to know who will participate in the breakfast and the parade.
- 4. **Vice Chairman McDowell:** Mr. Clark, I would like for you to check with Robert Lewis, County Planner, and see if he is moving forward and making progress on the abandoned structures at the intersection of Highway 905 and Highway 130. A report at the next meeting would be good.
- 5. **Commissioner Byrd:** I am asking to step down from the Health Board and the JCPC Board. I am on the Interstate Railroad Committee and it entails a lot of time and traveling.

MOTION:

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to appoint Vice Chairman Charles T. McDowell to the Columbus County Health Board, as the County Commissioner appointment, to fill the vacancy created by him stepping down, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

6. **Chairman McKenzie:** I would like to remind the Board members of the Retirement Luncheon for Joan Stephens, Interim Social Services Director, on Thursday, October 18, 2012, from 12:00 Noon until 2:00 P.M., and the cost will be \$7.00 for each attendee.

Agenda Item #17: <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>:

At 7:45 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

AMON E. McKENZIE, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS <u>I</u>, II, III, IV and V <u>COMBINATION</u> BOARD MEETING Monday, October 15 2012 7:29 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:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman** Charles T. McDowell, **Vice Chairman** James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd P. Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard **APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Lynwood Norris

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the <u>combination meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

October 01, 2012 <u>Combination Meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve the October 01, 2012 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the SEPTEMBER, 2012
MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District I.

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
9/26/2012	201960.00 97	Erica Fowler	25.00	Service Call Fee
9/4/2012	404833.00 98	Chis Hinson	-647.00	Billing Error
9/10/2012	103850.00 98	Nancy Strickland	28.00	Water Testing Fee
9/10/2012	101610.00 98	Lewis C Soles	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/10/2012	20389000 96	Rocky Durden Sr	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/11/2012	301923.00 97	Brittany Damato	-76.00	Leak Adjustment
9/11/2012	601510.00 98	James Stephens	-399.00	Leak Adjustment
10/1/2012	601525.00 98	Susan Wright	-30.00	Billing Error
10/1/2012	201960.00 97	Erica Fowler	-30.00	Billing Error
10/1/2012	205726.00 98	Viola Stephens Davis	70.00	Applied to Wrong Account
10/1/2012	204780.00 98	Viola Tisdale	-70.00	Applied to Wrong Account

DISTRICT I ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2012

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District I, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

AMON E. McKENZIE Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, <u>II</u>, III, IV and V <u>COMBINATION</u> BOARD MEETING Monday, October 15 2012 7:29 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 II Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman** Charles T. McDowell, **Vice Chairman** James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd P. Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard William S. Clark, **County Manager** Mike Stephens, **County Attorney** June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board** Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Lynwood Norris

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the <u>combination meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

October 01, 2012 <u>Combination Meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve the October 01, 2012 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the SEPTEMBER, 2012
MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II.

DISTRICT II ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2012

`DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
9/5/2012	140050.00 97	Lynn Hayes	25.00	Service Call Fee
9/5/2012	142290.00 98	Diane Wiggins	-30.00	Billing Error
9/10/2012	132752.00 97	William O Gore	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/10/2012	120330.00 91	Charles Stewart	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/10/2012	110720.00 92	Alicia A Gacia	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/10/2012	110300.00 98	Sugar Berry Daycare	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/12/2012	111366.00 98	Anthony Cartrette	-5.00	Penalty Removed
9/19/2012	133135.00 94	Mollie Lee	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/19/2012	110594.00 97	Robbie W Sellers	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/19/2012	140820.00 98	Beulah Pait	50.00	Tampering Fee
9/16/2012	140050.00 97	Lynn Hayes	-25.00	Service Call Fee Removed
9/26/2012	132700.00 96	Desires Andrews	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/26/2012	140200.00 98	Rhoda Long	50.00	Balance Transfer to 140200.00 97
9/26/2012	140200.00 97	Phillip Long	-50.00	Balance Transfer to 140200.00 98
9/28/2012	120043.00 98	Wayland Williamson	-132.00	Customer Leak
9/28/2012	140615.00 98	Larry Thomas Jr	-1340.00	Billing Error
10/1/2012	141370.00 93	Help-n-u-Home	-52.00	Customer Leak
10/2/2012	111392.00 95	Amanda Little	25.00	Disconnect Fee
10/1/2012	140050.00 97	Lynn Hayes	-30.00	Billing Error
10/2/2012	140200.00 97	Phillip Young	-30.00	Billing Error

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

UPDATE on FOLLOWING ONGOING PROJECTS:

1. Interconnect Project:

-We are working with Hobbs and Upchurch engineers;

-They have assigned a new engineer to the project and he is getting up to speed on what has been done and where we are; **and** -We hope to go to bid in thirty (30) days.

2. Chadbourn Rural Water Association Connections:

-I have talked to Frank Horne and he states that he is ready to move forward;
-We hope to sign that contract this week and get him started;
-Mr. Horne states he can go within two (2) weeks;
-Once that is done, we will notify Chadbourn that those customers will come to us and we can make that switch; and
-Mr. Horne anticipates that he can be finished in (2) weeks.

3. Funding for the Silverspoon Road, Ice Plant Road, Broadway Area and West Chadbourn Area:

-We did make application for the funding and we did make the deadline; **and** -We have not received a response.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

AMON E. McKENZIE Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, <u>III</u>, IV and V <u>COMBINATION</u> BOARD MEETING Monday, October 15 2012 7:29 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:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman** Charles T. McDowell, **Vice Chairman** James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd P. Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard <u>COMMISSIONER ABSENT</u>: Lynwood Norris **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 7:29 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the <u>combination meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: <u>COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV</u> and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

October 01, 2012 <u>Combination Meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve the October 01, 2012 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the SEPTEMBER, 2012
MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III.

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
9/4/2012	35103.00 92	Timothy Capps	-30.00	Billing Error

9/7/2012	330750.00 98	Maurice Wyatt Sr	-49.00	Customer Leak	
9/7/2012	370845.00 96	Mary Hudson	-25.00	Billing Error	
9/10/2012	360335.00 97	Lenora Lanehart	25.00	Posting Error	
9/10/2012	360335.00 98	Cynthia Duncan	-25.00	Posting Error	
9/10/2012	331153.00 97	Quinzell R McKenzie	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/10/2012	380350.00 91	Beveryly S Stephens	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/12/2012	330103.00 98	Bernadine Haynes	-379.00	Customer Leak	
9/18/2012	350160.00 98	Robert Crumpler	-34.00	Customer Leak	
9/19/2012	340074.00 95	William Johnson	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/19/2012	370815.00 98	Debra Brown	-140.00	Customer Leak	
9/26/2012	350220.00 98	Williams Lewis	-5.00	Penalty Removed	
9/26/2012	350160.00 98	Robert Crumpler	34.00	Billing Error	
9/26/2012	350160.00 98	Robert Crumpler	-35.00	Customer Leak	
9/26/2012	350160.00 98	Robert Crumpler	-5.00	Billing Error	
9/28/2012	351000.00 95	Nicole Lacewell	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/28/2012	351000.00 95	Nicole Lacewell	-35.00	Billing Error	
9/28/2012	351000.00 95	Nicole Lacewell	-75.00	Billing Error	
10/2/2012	350500.00 90	Alice Whitehead	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
10/2/2012	381290.00 96	Matt Townsend	100.00	2 ND Offense Meter Tampering Fee	
10/2/2012	340450.00 96	Donel Dixon	50.00	Meter Tampering Fee	

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, <u>IV</u> and V <u>COMBINATION</u> BOARD MEETING Monday, October 15 2012 7:29 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:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman** Charles T. McDowell, **Vice Chairman** James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd P. Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard William S. Clark, **County Manager** Mike Stephens, **County Attorney** June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board** Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Lynwood Norris

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the <u>combination meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: <u>COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV</u> and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

October 01, 2012 <u>Combination Meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve the October 01, 2012 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the SEPTEMBER, 2012
MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV.

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT	
9/6/2012	430111.00 98	Shirley Cole	1173.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/10/2012	410460.00 97	Paul R Byrd	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/11/2012	430232.00 98	Christopher Rhode	-205.00	Penalties Removed	
9/14/2012	430602.00 98	Joseph Lewis	-35.00	Penalties Removed	
9/18/2012	430243.00 98	Crystal Jacobs	-140.00	Penalties Removed	
9/19/2012	410350.00 95	Kevin A Hawkins	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
9/19/2012	420410.00 97	David Bradly Smith	-74.00	Customer Leak	
9/26/2012	430411.00 98	Nellie Jordan	25.00	Disconnect Fee	
10/1/2012	430161.00 98	Mashonia Daniels	-790.00	Penalties Removed	

DISTRICT IV ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2012

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

Update on Hallsboro Project:

-We have not received any response on the funding;

-We chose not to update our application because it was already on file and it was going to require re-engineering of the project;

-We are still looking for other sources of funding; and

-On the tank, the owner has agreed to a salvage price, but the quotes we have received on moving the tank is very close to the purchase of a new tank.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

AMON E. McKENZIE Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and <u>V</u> <u>COMBINATION</u> BOARD MEETING Monday, October 15 2012 7:29 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:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amon E. McKenzie, **Chairman** Charles T. McDowell, **Vice Chairman** James E. Prevatte Giles E. Byrd P. Edwin Russ Ricky Bullard William S. Clark, **County Manager** Mike Stephens, **County Attorney** June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board** Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Lynwood Norris

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:29 P.M., Chairman McKenzie called the <u>combination meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

October 01, 2012 <u>Combination Meeting</u> of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve the October 01, 2012 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14:COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV
and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the SEPTEMBER, 2012
MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V.

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
9/5/2012	703275.00 98	NC DOC Central Engineering	-140.00	Penalties Removed
9/5/2012	709953.00 97	Wendy Lewis	-30.00	Billing Error
9/7/2012	800494.00 98	Johnn Allen	25.00	Posting Error
9/7/2012	800494.10 98	Gerald Gray	-25.00	Posting Error
9/7/2012	800494.10 98	Gerald Gray	-35.00	Posting Error
9/10/2012	700133.00 97	Rebecca Warren	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/10/2012	701999.00 98	Earl Cribb	-21.00	Customer Leak
9/10/2012	700030.00 98	Mary Parnell	25.00	Disconnect Fee
9/10/2012	800516.00 97	Brittney M Loftis	25.00	Disconnect Fee

DISTRICT V ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2012

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the adjustments to the September, 2012 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

AMON E. McKENZIE Chairman