COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, December 07, 2015 6:30 P.M.

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, for the purpose of conducting their regularly scheduled meeting on the first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

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

Agenda Item #1: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman Trent Burroughs called the December 07, 2015 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session to order. The first item on the Agenda is the reorganization of the Board, and I will turn the meeting over to the Columbus County Attorney, Michael Hampton Stephens.

Agenda Item #2: RE-ORGANIZATION of BOARD - ELECTION of CHAIRMAN and VICE CHAIRMAN:

Michael Hampton Stephens, Columbus County Attorney, presided as Acting Chairman for the election of the new Chairman and new Vice Chairman of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners for the upcoming year. The Acting Chairman stated the following:

- 1. At this time, we will proceed with the election of the officers for Chairman and Vice Chairman for the County Commissioners for a term of one (1) year;
- 2, We will proceed with the election of the officers in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 153A-39 and the Rules of Procedure for the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, as adopted by this Board on February 04, 2008;
- 3. Rule Number 6 states in part, of which I will read, "... the present Chairman shall relinquish the chairmanship of the meeting to the County Attorney who shall preside over the Board only for the election of officers. The Chairman and Vice Chairman shall serve for a one (1) year term. The Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from among its members, who, at the conclusion of the election of officers, shall then immediately assume those positions for the ensuing year. The Board shall take nominations and vote for or against persons nominated for Chairman and Vice-Chairman separately and for each individual office.";
- 4. In order to do that, if we have more than one (1) person nominated for either of the offices, then the election will take the manner of going in reverse order, until we get a majority vote; and
- 5. At this time, I will open the floor for the nomination for the position of Chairman.

Nomination for Chairman:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to nominate Commissioner Giles E. Byrd as Chairman, seconded by Commissioner P. Edwin Russ.

Mr. Stephens asked if there were any other nominations for Chairman. No other nominations were stated. Mr. Stephens stated the nominations are now closed. Those in favor of Commissioner Giles E. Byrd to serve as Chairman, vote aye and those opposed vote nay. The motion unanimously passed.

Nomination for Vice Chairman:

Commissioner P. Edwin Russ nominated Commissioner Charles T. McDowell for the position of Vice Chairman, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie.

Mr. Stephens asked if there were any other nominations for Vice-Chairman. No other nominations were stated. Mr. Stephens stated the nominations for Vice Chairman are now closed. Those in favor of Commissioner McDowell to serve as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year, vote aye and those opposed vote nay. The motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Stephens stated that Commissioner Giles E. Byrd will serve in the position of Chairman to the Board, and Commissioner Charles T. McDowell will serve in the position of Vice Chairman for the ensuing one (1) year term. Congratulations to both gentlemen, I look forward to working with you, and I will now turn the meeting over to Chairman Giles E. Byrd.

NEWLY ELECTED CHAIRMAN PRESIDES

Chairman Giles E. Byrd stated the following:

- 1. It is an honor to assume this position tonight;
- 2. I will do my very best to carry this position out in a business manner throughout the year;
- 3. I want each one of you to feel free to call me at any time regarding anything that needs discussion; and
- 4. Let's be open like we have been, and let's be a Board that works together to improve Columbus County.

Agenda Item #4: SURETY BONDS: Examination and Approval:

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the following Surety Bonds, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

NAME	TITLE	BOND \$	EXPIR DATE
Bobbie Faircloth	Finance Officer (Columbus County)	\$50,000	Indefinite
Bobbie Faircloth	Travel and Tourism Board	\$50,000	Indefinite
Lewis L. Hatcher	Sheriff	\$25,000	01-07-2016
Needom G. Hughes, IV	Tax Administrator	\$25,000	11-25-2016
Douglas E. Ward	Deputy Tax Administrator	\$25,000	Indefinite
Betty McKeithan	Public Housing Director	\$25,000	10-22-2016
Linwood Cartrette	Coroner	\$15,000	12-06-2016
William H. Hannah, Sr.	Assistant Coroner	\$15,000	12-06-2016
Kandance Whitehead	Register of Deeds	\$10,000	12-04-2016

Agenda Items #4 and #5: INVOCATION and PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

Vice Chairman Charles T. McDowell delivered the invocation. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Commissioner P. Edwin Russ.

Agenda Item #6: PRESENTATION - PLAQUE to OUTGOING CHAIRMAN TRENT BURROUGHS:

Chairman Giles E. Byrd presented the following plaque to the outgoing Chairman Trent Burroughs.

PRESENTED TO:

TRENT BURROUGHS

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THIS THE 7TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2015

in GRATEFUL APPRECIATION of YOUR DEVOTED LEADERSHIP

as CHAIRMAN to the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

12-01-2014 - 12-07-2015

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Agenda Item #7: PRESENTATION - PROCLAMATIONS of APPRECIATION:

Chairman Byrd presented the following Proclamations of Appreciation for the valuable time and hours they contributed to the Interstate Railroad Committee. The details of these documents may be viewed in the October 04, 2015 Board Minutes.

- 1. Proclamation of Appreciation to **Dennis T. Worley**, Attorney at Law, for Serving as Co-Chairman of the Interstate Railroad Committee;
- 2. Proclamation of Appreciation to **Doug Wendell** for Serving as Co-Chairman of the Interstate Railroad Committee;
- 3. Proclamation of Appreciation to **Henry Lowenstein**, **Ph.D** for Serving on the Interstate Railroad Committee; **and**
- 4. Proclamation of Appreciation to **Kenneth R. Moss** for Serving on the Interstate Railroad Committee.

Agenda Item #8: PRESENTATION - RETIREMENT PLAQUE:

Commissioner Ricky Bullard presented a retirement plaque to **Tulah Fisher** for her many years of service to the Department of Aging.

PRESENTED TO

TULAH FISHER

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION
FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LOYALTY
TO
COLUMBUS COUNTY AGING DEPARTMENT

7-01-1991 - 11-20-2015

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Agenda Item #9: <u>BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL</u>:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the November 16, 2015 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda item 10: <u>PUBLIC INPUT</u>:

Chairman Byrd opened the floor for Public Input. No public input was received either orally

or written.

Agenda Item #11: PRESENTATION: FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015 AUDIT:

Alan Thompson, Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams and Co., presented the June 30, 2015 Audit to the Board for acceptance.

December 7, 2015

To the Board of Commissioners Columbus County Whiteville, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Columbus County for the year ended June 30, 2015. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards and OMB Circular A-133 (if applicable), as well as certain information in our letter to you dated April 20, 2015. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Columbus County are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Notes to the financial statements, the County adopted Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statement) No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions" in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Accordingly, the cumulative effect of the accounting change as of the beginning of the year is reported in the Proprietary Funds and the Government-wide Statements. We noted no transactions entered into by Columbus County during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under profession standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. There were no significant estimate(s) or assumptions noted during the audit.

The disclosures in the financial statements are neutral, consistent, and clear. Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statement users. There are no such disclosures identified.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statement taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a

financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representation

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 7, 2015.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion:" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Auditing Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as Columbus County's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

The balance sheets (especially for the general fund) are messy, and should be reviewed (at least once a quarter) to make sure that balance are clearing out that should be.

There are several projects that need to be closed out. Please review all funds and close out and capitalize projects that should be capitalized.

We understand that an efficiency study was done during the year, which determined that the County would benefit from consolidating the Water Districts into one fund. However, the County has bond covenants that are associated with each Water District separately, so the records have to be kept separate. The County elected to consolidate these funds as suggested by the efficiency study, but the records had to be broken out for financial statements purposes. We suggest that these Districts be kept separate to avoid having to separate the information at year end for financial statement purposes.

Other Maters

We applied certain limited procedures to the Law Enforcement Officer's Special Separation Allowance, Healthcare Benefit, Schedule of County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Assets (LGERS), Schedule of County Contributions (LGERS), Schedule of County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Asset (ROD) and Schedule of County Contributions (ROD), which is required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquires of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on the combining and individual non-major fund statement schedules, budgetary schedules, and other schedules, and the schedule of expenditures of federal and State awards, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquires of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors and management of Columbus County and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams and Co., P.A.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to accept the Fiscal Year Ending June 30 2015 Audit, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #12: NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - UPDATE VIDEO:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, presented a five (5) minutes update video from the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners.

Agenda Item #13: BUILDING INSPECTIONS - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Waties Greene, Building Inspections Manager, delivered the following departmental update to the Board.

TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED (Five Years)

MONTH	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011
July	158	161	140	187	221
August	134	155	136	178	296
September	110	152	161	127	351
October	125	161	156	132	202
November	123	121	102	122	228
December	111	138	133	118	147
January	148	99	144	134	158
February	116	176	146	146	157
March	135	143	139	164	202
April	149	159	182	124	136
May	179	181	160	166	185
June	146	197	161	128	186
SUBTOTAL:	1634	1843	1760	1726	2469

TOTAL REVENUE (Five Fiscal Years)

MONTH	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011
July	\$13,082.16	\$14,334.00	\$12,657.46	\$17,270.16	\$15,653.71
August	\$13,248.08	\$20,769.88	\$13,568.61	\$16,485.88	\$20,752.53
September	\$9,573.40	\$16,742.04	\$16,078.20	\$11,344.04	\$17,808.94
October	\$10,980.42	\$21,027.83	\$28,450.01	\$17,811.34	\$37,764.74
November	\$15,650.53	\$10,546.92	\$28,436.60	\$12,680.62	\$13,365.75
December	\$9,718.32	\$11,099.78	\$11,326.73	\$13,584.84	\$11,733.64
January	\$13,007.24	\$8,258.22	\$14,497.69	\$10,222.41	\$11,555.38
February	\$8,000.87	\$7,967.02	\$12,493.74	\$14,798.57	\$13,735.35

MONTH	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011
March	\$13,834.38	\$12,292.70	\$11,751.68	\$14,841.43	\$17,411.40
April	\$11,984.62	\$20,761,56	\$16,052.51	\$11,568.58	\$12,899.64
May	\$12,317.82	\$16,962.79	\$12,656.01	\$12,723.34	\$14,262.45
June	\$15,763.94	\$19,299.64	\$19,052.70	\$11,913.04	\$17,230.92
SUBTOTAL:	\$147,161.78	\$180,062.38	\$197,021.93	\$167,244.25	\$204,174.45
Fees Waived	\$12,749.40	\$2,030.20			
Net	\$159,911.18	\$182,092.58			

TOTAL INSPECTIONS (Five Years)

MONTH	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011
July	332	293	226	284	323
August	302	331	204	275	320
September	307	318	226	277	456
October	434	352	267	190	338
November	249	231	264	206	273
December	330	181	220	213	230
January	247	217	233	216	209
February	242	204	171	272	207
March	274	262	215	261	306
April	216	249	295	244	249
May	240	332	230	302	273
June	228	344	292	261	303
SUBTOTAL:	3401	3314	2843	3001	3487

Department Totals From 07-01-2015 - 11-30-2015:

Permits Issued: 740

Total Revenue: \$67,569.98 Inspections Completed: 1305

Agenda Item #14: SOCIAL SERVICES - MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

Algernon McKenzie, Social Services Director, delivered the following monthly administrative update to the Board.

We did not have an agency staff meeting in the month of November due to the energy programs registration being held in our large conference room. However, updates are sent out via e-mail when information needs to be shared with staff.

On November 10, 2015, I attended the Head Start Policy Council meeting in Fairmont, North Carolina. We were given updates on the status of the Head Start Programs in our region; as well as other issues.

On November 16, 2015, the Social Work Program Manager, Adult Protective Services Supervisor, and myself; met with our State Representative to review the changes in the Adult Protective Services policy, as well as, review our procedures in Adult Protective Services. Mrs. Blue reviewed some Adult Protective Services cases and provided feedback to the Supervisors and staff. Adult Protective Services is a very intense and time consuming program.

On November 16, 2015, I also attended the Columbus County Transportation Advisory Board meeting. During this meeting, we reviewed the updates to the Service Animal Policy, to be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

On November 18, 2015, I attended a Guardianship Training for Directors at the Carteret County Department of Social Services. This training was conducted by the Division of Aging and Adult Services. This training focused on the DSS Directors duty to protect and serve as guardians for adults legally placed in our custody by the Clerk of Court. We also discussed State policy and legal procedures for protecting and caring for our Adult Wards. We discussed some actual cases within our session. This was a very timely and educational training on guardianship, as our Adult Protective Service referrals have been increasing recently.

On November 19, 2015, while in Carteret County, I also attended our Eastern Regional Directors meeting. During our meeting, we were given updates from State staff on Medicaid Reform, the status of Food and Nutrition in North Carolina with USDA and upcoming changes in NCFAST.

We were also told to start thinking about how we will serve the "Abled Bodied Adults without Dependents" in Food and Nutrition beginning July 2016. This could increase the workload for counties across the State having to serve this mandatory population. Counties are already having problems or struggling to process applications timely. This will be another challenge for us without additional staff.

We also received a legislative update from John Metcalf, our association's lobbyist. He encouraged Directors to reach out to their local representatives, who serve in the legislature, to inform them about issues that affect the local DSS agencies.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD REPORT

Children's Protective Services/Intake/Investigation/Assessment
Children's Protective Services/In-Home Services
Children's Protective Services/Foster Care/Adoptions
Adult Services
Work First Employment
Child Day Care
Program Integrity

Melinda H. Lane, Program Manager

Vacancies/Updates/News for November 2015

Intake/Investigation/Assessment:

The Intake/Investigation/Assessment Unit continues to be fully staffed with all Social Workers carrying heavier than usual caseloads. The additional Social Worker position has proven to be much needed and valued recently. The Supervisor states his Unit has been "slammed" with multiple referrals. This Unit has been busy with more severe cases involving sexual abuse and physical abuse.

In-Home Services:

The In-Home Services Unit continues to be fully staffed, although their clerical support worker is on maternity leave. The Supervisor continues to assist her staff by making courtesy contacts and other needed contacts, although this is decreasing due to staff being in place. This Unit has seen an increase in the need for court involvement in cases which has increased the number of foster children in custody.

Foster Care/Adoptions:

The Foster Care/Adoptions Unit is fully staffed, although one worker is on limited duty due to medical restrictions. The number of children in foster care is climbing due to the increased need for court involvement in cases currently being worked with in other areas of Child Protective Services. The number of Foster children is currently at 80, breaking the record for the most children in Foster Care in the past three years. This Unit has plans underway for the Foster Care Christmas. An Angel Tree was placed at the Library and almost all tags have been pulled, mainly by businesses in the county wanting to assist with Christmas for foster children. This Unit is planning a Christmas outing for the Foster children in December.

Adult Services:

The Adult Services Unit continues to have a position available due to a worker resigning. Interviews have been conducted and recommendations made, so hopes are that this Unit will be fully

staffed in the next 2-3 weeks.

Work First Employment:

The Work First Employment Unit continues to attempt to work within the NCFast system. Some training, mainly on-line training, and shadowing is becoming available for staff as this Unit prepares to transition into the NCFast system.

Child Day Care:

The Child Day Care Unit will soon begin training as they become one of the next to transition into the NCFast system. Limited training and information and state support continues to be an obstacle for all services that are becoming a part of the system.

Program Integrity:

Program Integrity continues to do limited program integrity work due to working with Energy Assistance. However, they are beginning to work several fraud cases that are part of a larger store disqualification in the county. This will require much paperwork and hearings to cover all of the clients involved.

The Crisis Intervention Program (CIP) continues to take applications. At this point approximately 955 applications have been approved and over \$234,000.00 allocated to county citizens.

The Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) will begin December 1st for those households with citizens 60 years of age and older or those households that have a person receiving SSI/SSA/VA and services through the Division of Aging and Adult Services. Columbus County has been allocated \$324,301.00 for LIEAP.

Economic Services Program Narrative

Food and Nutrition Program and Adult and Family and Children's Medicaid
Rest Home and Nursing Home/Community Alternatives Program (CAP)
Work First Family Assistance/Cash/Medicaid Transportation & Supportive Services
Child Support & Paralegal

Submitted by Cyndi Hammonds, Income Maintenance Administrator

Reporting Month: November 2015 <u>News/Updates/Vacancies</u>

Adult Medicaid:

The Intake/processing team continues to struggle to keep applications timely. With the resignation of the leadworker and the loss of the temp position due to her being hired in a permanent position, it is tough keeping deadlines met. It will take another 6 to 9 months to get another worker trained to be able to handle processing cases. The Federal Marketplace has opened enrollment now and we have received an additional 45 applications on top of the mail-ins and the clients that come into the agency to apply. The Review team continues to keep their work timely but struggle to keep all of the changes timely. In the old system, when a client received a SSI check they were automatically eligible for Medicaid and we did not have to handle these cases except when they wanted to change their primary care doctor. NC FAST does not have all the problems worked out with these clients and workers are having to work thru problems like their Medicaid stopping for no reason or if a client has never received Medicare, NC FAST is showing they are receiving Medicare and claims are not getting paid; clients are going to the drugstore and can't get their medications. When this happens, workers are having to try to solve issues and supervisors are having to call claims at the state office to correct these issues. Veteran workers have gotten passed the learning curve for NC FAST; however the Adult Medicaid program is more complex and NC FAST is still having problems getting all the issues worked out. Making the 3 temporary positions we have as permanent positions would reduce the turnover that we currently are experiencing. We hire them as temps and as soon as permanent positions open, they apply which leads us right back to a shortage in the unit and having to train again.

Food and Nutrition Program:

The Intake/process team is not meeting their timeframes for applications. We have 2 that are out on medical leave and 2 that are new workers trying to train. That has left 1 worker and 1 lead worker in that unit trying to keep up with taking and processing applications in 4 days and some within 25 days. This makes it very difficult when you have 21 people to apply in one day. The Review team is currently fully staffed and their work is timely. We are currently having to use the review staff to try to keep the work from being so far overdue.

Family and Children's Medicaid:

Family and Children's Medicaid continues to remain timely with their applications and redeterminations. There are 2 vacancies in these units and the Federal Marketplace has sent 49 applications on top of what mail-ins and walk-in applications that are taken. Help desk tickets are still having to be sent in when issues cannot be worked out. Caseworkers are also feeling more comfortable with NC FAST. The State has also provided a few webinar trainings that has helped and workers are training amongst themselves when problems arise.

Work First Family Assistance/ Medicaid Transportation and Support Services:

We have had an increase in applications for Work First. This unit continues to remain current in timeframes with their applications and reviews. Medicaid Transportation remains very busy with clients getting to their doctor's appointments. We have interviewed and chosen an applicant for the interpreter vacancy and are anticipate her hire date in December. She will be new to the agency and will have to become familiar with all programs at the agency. Maintenance and housekeeping remain busy with the added number of CIP clients that are coming in the agency.

Child Support/Paralegal:

Child Support was somewhat slower this month; 201 cases were prepared for court this month. We continue to have a vacancy within the unit.

Our paralegal prepared 219 orders for Child Support and reviewed 35 orders that the attorney prepared.

Agenda Item #15: AGING - INCREASE in HOME and COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK

GRANT, SENIOR CENTER GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDING GRANT and TITLE III-D HEALTH PROMOTION/DISEASE

PREVENTION GRANT:

Amanda Harrelson, Director of Aging, requested Board approval of increases in the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG), Senior Center General Purpose Funding Grant (SCGP) and Title III-D Health Promotion/Disease Prevention Grant (EBHP), as follows.

GRANT	AMOUNT	10% COUNTY MATCH	TOTAL
HCCBG	\$8,826	\$981	\$9,807
SCGP	\$26,600	\$8,869	\$35,469
ЕВНР	\$4,338	\$482	\$4,820

Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to approve increases in the above listed grants, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: FINANCE - RESOLUTION and AGREEMENT for DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS with BB&T, FIRST BANK AND SUNTRUST:

Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Officer, requested Board approval and adoption of the Resolution and Agreement for Deposit Accounts with BB&T, First Bank and Suntrust Banks.

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve and adopt the Resolution and Agreement for Deposit Account with BB&T, the two (2) Corporate Authorization Resolutions with First Bank and Deposit Account Resolution and Authorization for Business Entities with SunTrust, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of these four (4) documents will be marked as Exhibit "A", and kept on file in the Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 5, in the Clerk to the Board's Office, for review.

Agenda Item #17: NOTICE and RESOLUTION - CANCELLATION of DECEMBER 21, 2015 BOARD MEETING, UNLESS NEEDED:

William S. Clark, County Manager, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Notice and Resolution to Cancel Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina.

NOTICE and RESOLUTION to CANCEL MEETING of the BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

_____ The **Board of County Commissioners** of Columbus County, North Carolina, unanimously approved on the 7th day of December, 2015, to adopt the following **Resolution**.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the **Board of County Commissioners** of Columbus County, North Carolina, has presently scheduled meetings at 6:30 P.M. on the first Monday and at 6:30 P.M. on the third Monday of each month; **and**

WHEREAS, the **Board of County Commissioners** of Columbus County, North Carolina, is desirous of cancelling the meeting scheduled for the third Monday in December, only.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY, North Carolina, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-40, to cancel the regular meeting of the said Board scheduled for December 21, 2015, be, and the same is hereby canceled, and the next regularly scheduled meeting of the said Board shall be in the Columbus County Commissioners' Chambers, Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, on Monday, January 04, 2016.

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED by the **Board of County Commissioners** that a copy of this **Resolution** and **Notice** shall be placed on the Courthouse Bulletin Board, as well as forwarded to all of the news media who has requested notice.

ADOPTED this the 7th day of December, 2015.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS /s/ **GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**

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

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve and adopt the Notice and Resolution to Cancel Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: RESOLUTION - APPROVAL and ADOPTION of SIGNATORY RESOLUTION by the COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD of COMMISSIONERS:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Signatory Resolution by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.

SIGNATORY RESOLUTION by the COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, in the execution of business matters and other pertinent transactions pertaining to the operations of local government affairs, it is necessary, and legally required, to have on board a Chairman and Vice Chairman to serve on behalf and in the best interest of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, at the first regular scheduled meeting in the month of December, annually, a Chairman and Vice Chairman is voted on and elected from the now seven (7) member Columbus County Board of Commissioners; **and**

WHEREAS, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the said Columbus County Board of Commissioners, or their designee, have due authority to sign, execute and administer any and all documents on behalf, and in the best interest, of Columbus County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by popular vote of the seven (7) member Columbus

County Board of Commissioners, on the 7th day of December, 2015, Commissioner Giles E. Byrd has been duly elected to serve as Chairman and Commissioner Charles T. McDowell has been duly elected to serve as Vice Chairman for the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, or their designee, to sign, execute and administer any and all documents necessary in the normal operation of business and related affairs for the Columbus County Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Columbus County. The aforementioned will serve in these capacities until the first regular scheduled meeting in December, 2016.

ADOPTED this the 7th day of December, 2015.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS GILES E. BYRD, Chairman

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

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve and adopt the Signatory Resolution by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #19: APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEE/BOARDS:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested the following appointments/reappointments/replacements be made to the following boards/committees.

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR. DATE	BOARD ACTION
Animal Control Advisory Council	I II IV VI	Ervin Wooten Leonard Walker Dr. Jeff Burroughs Pat Christley	12/05/2015 12/05/2015 12/05/2015 12/05/2015	Re-Appoint HOLD Re-Appoint HOLD
Board of Health (Columbus County) Motion: McDowell Second: McKenzie	EB V III	Nicole Martin, D.V.M. (At Large) Christy T. Perdue, M.D. George Floyd	12-31-2015 12-31-2015 12-31-2015	Re-Appoint Re-Appoint Re-Appoint
Columbus Regional Healthcare System Board of Trustees (Bylaws - 2 Sitting County Commissioners) Motion: Bullard Second: Prevatte	EB EB	Giles E. Byrd Trent Burroughs	12-01-2015 12-01-2015	Re-Appoint Re-Appoint
EMS Peer Review Committee (Bylaws - 2 County Commissioners) Motion: McKenzie Second: Burroughs	EB EB	James E. Prevatte P. Edwin Russ	1 st Meeting in December	Re-Appoint Re-Appoint
Fire Peer Review Committee (Bylaws - 2 County Commissioners) Motion: Burroughs Second: McKenzie	EB EB	Ricky Bullard Charles T. McDowell	1 st Meeting in December	Re-Appoint Re-Appoint
Planning Board	II			

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:

\$1,007,06

Amount:

into a **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

November 16, 2015 <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 2 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

At 7:38 P.M., Commissioner Russ made a motion to adjourn the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #21: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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

A. **BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

ТҮРЕ	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	10-4310-535300	M&R Vehicles	\$7,109
	10-4310-535300	M&R Vehicles	3,645
Revenues	10-3431-489000	Miscellaneous Revenue-Sheriff	\$10,754
Expenditures	10-4960-531100	Travel	1,000
Revenues	10-3496-440102	No-Till Drill	(1,000)

B. TAX REFUNDS AND RELEASES:

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release Columbus Rescue(10.20)

Property Value					Amount:	\$1,007.00
Burgess, Mary (Heirs)			PROPERTY	/ : 10250	Total:	\$1,695.66
Value: \$31,900.00	Year:	10-14	Account:	06-03620	Bill#: 99999	
Release entire value. So	ld at tax	sale. Relea	se Columbus	Rescue(31.60)		
Property Value					Amount:	\$363.73
Hickman, Carrie			PROPERTY	7: 21273	Total:	\$415.73
Value: \$5,000.00	Year:	06-	Account:	12-11860	Bill#: 99999	
Release value of lot. Car	nnot find	deed to su	pport listing.	Release Evergreen	Fire(41.80)	
release Columbus Rescu				C	, ,	
Property Value	, , ,				Amount:	\$10.30
Housand, Larry			PROPERTY	/: 11156	Total:	\$10.56
Value: \$2,067.00	Year:	2015	Account:	06-19480	Bill#: 39195	
Release value of boat. S	old in 20	14. Releas	se Columbus	Rescue(.26)		
Property Value					Amount:	\$246.93
Leonard, J C			PROPERTY	7: 26749	Total:	\$277.53
Value: \$3,200.00	Year:	06-15	Account:	14-09100	Bill#: 99999	
Release value of lot. Car		deed to su	pport listing.	Release Welches C	reek(24.48)	
release Whiteville Rescu	ue(6.12)				, ,	
Property Value					Amount:	\$411.15
MCCoy, S H c/o Mary I	Brown		PROPERTY	7: 21705	Total:	\$463.15
Value: \$5,000.00	Year:	06-	Account:	12-17100	Bill#: 99999	
Release value of lot. Car	nnot find	deed to su	pport listing.	Release Evergreen	Fire(41.80)	
Property Value Leonard, J C Value: \$3,200.00 Release value of lot. Car release Whiteville Rescu Property Value MCCoy, S H c/o Mary I Value: \$5,000.00	Year: nnot find ue(6.12) Brown Year:	06-15 deed to su 06-	PROPERTY Account: apport listing. PROPERTY Account:	7: 26749 14-09100 Release Welches C 7: 21705 12-17100	Total: Bill#: 99999 reek(24.48) Amount: Total: Bill#: 99999	\$277.53 \$411.15 \$463.15

Property Value					Amou	nt:	\$866.86
Williams, Margie			PROPERTY	': 00000	Total:		\$2,213.19
Value: \$800.00	Year:	06-15	Account:	10-01126	Bill#:	99999	·
Release value of S/W S	HB delet	ed in 2005	. Release Col	umbus Rescue(21.50) r	elease la	ite	
list(88.83)							
User Fee					Amou	nt:	\$0.00
Couch, Jill			PROPERTY	': 93102	Total:		\$218.00
Value: \$0.00	Year:	2015	Account:	16-05101	Bill#:	26931	
Release user fee. Can pi	cked up						
User Fee					Amou	nt:	\$0.00
Jackson, Isabelle Hill &	Jasper		PROPERTY	': 00000	Total:		\$218.00
Value: \$0.00	Year:	2015	Account:	01-46680	Bill#:	81439	
Release user fee. Dwell	ling vaca	nt.					
User Fee					Amou	nt:	\$0.00
Jones, Doris Smith			PROPERTY	': 81448	Total:		\$218.00
Value: \$0.00	Year:	2015	Account:	07-00905	Bill#:	41302	
Release user fee. No Ca	n ever de	elivered.					
User Fee					Amou	nt:	\$0.00
Lovette, Jacquelyn D.			PROPERTY	': 10503	Total:		\$218.00
Value: \$0.00	Year:	2015	Account:	06-00502	Bill#:	44461	
Release user fee. Dwell:	ing vacar	nt.					

Agenda Item #22: COMMENTS:

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

A. **Department Manager:**

Sheriff Lewis Hatcher: stated the following:

- 1. The Legislature has enacted a new bill, Bill Number 562, on gun permits;
- 2. When a person wants to purchase a gun, they will need to go to the Clerk's Office and they will do a background check, and send this information to the Sheriff; and
- 3. The Sheriff is now entitled to more access on the person's mental health if there is any applicable.

B. **Board of Commissioners:**

- 1. **Commissioner Prevatte:** stated the following:
 - 1. I am presently serving on the Eastpointe MCO;
 - 2. At this time, discussion is being conducted on going down to three (3) MCO's, and we presently have twelve (12);
 - 3. The idea of going to PLE's is being discussed;
 - 4. They are introducing the idea of Blue Cross or Humana take over mental health;
 - 5. They are moving in the direction to privatize mental health treatment;
 - 6. It was announced that six (6) MCO's are to survive;
 - 7. We have no public perception in Columbus County about mental health;
 - 8. I would like to thank all the employees of Columbus County for their hard work and dedication; **and**
 - 9. I wish everyone a very nice Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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

- 1. We attended three (1) Christmas parades this weekend, inclusive of Whiteville, and Peace Baptist Church done a very good job of handling the Whiteville Parade, and I think we should send a letter of thanks for the good job;
- 2. We can send the letter with just the Chairman's signature or have all the Board members to sign the letter; **and**

MOTION:

Commissioner Russ made a motion for the Clerk to send a Letter of Thanks to Peace Baptist Church for the fine job they did with the Whiteville Christmas Parade, inclusive of all seven (7) Board members signature, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

3. I would like to wish everyone a very nice Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

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

- 1. I would like to thank everyone for their support during my term as Chairman;
- 2. I would like to congratulate Commissioner Byrd as Chairman and Commissioner McDowell as Vice Chairman;
- 3. I would like to thank everyone for what they do for Columbus County;
- 4. I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year:
- 5. I would like to thank William S. Clark, County Manager, Gary Lanier, Mike Stephens, Gail Edwards, Bobbie Faircloth and Algernon McKenzie for all of the work they do;
- 6. I would like to thank my fellow Commissioners for all they do for Columbus County, and their willingness to work together; **and**
- 7. I would like to thank Sheriff Lewis Hatcher for his hard work and all of the good he has done for Columbus County.

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

- 1. I would like to thank everyone for what they do for Columbus County;
- 2. I would like to congratulate Commissioner Byrd as Chairman and Commissioner McDowell as Vice Chairman;
- 3. I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year: and
- 4. I would like to thank our staff for what they do to make Columbus County a good place to live.

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

- 1. It is an honor to serve as a County Commissioner;
- 2. Thanks to everyone for attending our meetings and thanks to all of our employees;
- 3. Commissioner Burroughs done a good job as our Chairman; and
- 4. I would like to wish everyone a very nice Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

6. **Vice Chairman McDowell:** stated the following:

- 1. I have received a call about a solar farm on Brinkley Road, behind the Post Office in Delco, and I would like for the Planning Board to check into this:
- 2. I have received a call from a lady about cell phones not being allowed in the new Courthouse;
- 3. We need to discuss getting a shelter at the Veterans Department for the handicap veterans;
- 4. I would like to thank my fellow Commissioners for appointing me as the Vice Chairman; **and**
- 5. I would like to wish everyone a very nice Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

7. **Chairman Byrd:** stated the following:

- 1. The firm has done a good job with the audit;
- 2. I would like to thank you for appointing me as the Chairman;
- 3. Danny, I need to know about the Sandyfield connection;
- 4. Our attorney needs to know that Sandyfield is wanting the cable line;

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MOTION:

Commissioner Russ made a motion that Mike Stephens, County Attorney, is to look into the matter and send a letter, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

- 5. Thank you Deuce for the article in the paper about Sandyfield a week ago; and
- 6. Thank you William S. Clark for the fine job you done last year.

C. County Manager (William S. Clark): stated the following:

- 1. I would like to thank Commissioner Burroughs and Commissioner Bullard for the fine job they did as the Chairman and Vice Chairman; **and**
- 2. I would like to congratulate Commissioner Byrd and Commissioner McDowell as the new Chairman and Vice Chairman, and look forward to working with you.

Agenda Item #23: <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>:

At 8:13 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

	APPROVED:
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	GILES E. BYRD. Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS <u>I</u>, II, III, IV AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Monday, December 07, 2015 7:37 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:

Giles E. Byrd, Chairman Charles T. McDowell, Vice-Chairman Amon E. McKenzie James E. Prevatte Edwin Russ Trent Burroughs Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:37 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

November 16, 2015 <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 November 16, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	GILES E. BYRD, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Monday, December 07, 2015 7:37 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:

Giles E. Byrd, Chairman Charles T. McDowell, Vice-Chairman Amon E. McKenzie James E. Prevatte Edwin Russ Trent Burroughs Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:37 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

November 16, 2015 <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 November 16, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	GILES E. BYRD, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, <u>III</u>, IV AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Monday, December 07, 2015 7:37 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:

Giles E. Byrd, Chairman Charles T. McDowell, Vice-Chairman Amon E. McKenzie James E. Prevatte Edwin Russ Trent Burroughs Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:37 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

November 16, 2015 <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 November 16, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	GILES E. BYRD, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, <u>IV</u> AND V COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Monday, December 07, 2015 7:37 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:

Giles E. Byrd, Chairman Charles T. McDowell, Vice-Chairman Amon E. McKenzie James E. Prevatte Edwin Russ Trent Burroughs Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:37 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

November 16, 2015 <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 November 16, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	GILES E. BYRD. Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V

COMBINATION BOARD MEETING Monday, December 07, 2015 7:37 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:

Giles E. Byrd, Chairman Charles T. McDowell, Vice-Chairman Amon E. McKenzie James E. Prevatte Edwin Russ Trent Burroughs Ricky Bullard

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:37 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

November 16, 2015 <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 November 16, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

	APPROVED:
JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board	GILES E. BYRD, Chairman