

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' office at the Courthouse on Monday, June 2, 1930. Members of the Board present were:

D. F. McGougan, Chairman

J. C. Hooks, Sr.

J. R. Blake

D. W. Merritt

H. G. Avant

G. C. Ratcliffe, Clerk

After the reading and approval of the minutes covering meetings held during the month of May, the following business was transacted:

It was discussed by the Board as to whether there should be more than one day assigned to the hearing of tax complaints. The Board finally ordered, however, that, in accordance with an Act of the 1929 Legislature, meeting would be held on the third Monday in June, the date being June 16 this year, for the purpose of hearing all taxpayers who desire to make complaint regarding taxes, valuations, or irregularities. It was further ordered that the Board would meet again on Tuesday, June 17, if after Monday, June 16, it did not feel that the work of adjusting taxes had been sufficiently completed.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund D. M. Newman in Chadbourn Township for the year 1929 on \$ valuation, said refund being granted to cover the tax on the 12-acre Batchelor tract of land which has been double listed.

Ordered: That the following taxpayers, living in Welches Creek Township and in Burney School District, but charged in Bogue No. 1 White School District, be refunded on Special School tax for the year 1929 on account of their claims of not being legally obligated to pay Special School tax in Bogue No. 1 School District:

H. P. Creech, \$5.21; J. S. Creech, \$4.63; Miss O. J. Creech, \$3.25; Miss S. N. Creech, \$2.13; Victoria Creech, \$2.75.

Ordered: That the land in Williams Township originally owned by C. V. Ward be sold under tax sale foreclosure to D. F. Ward in consideration of the payment of \$10.00.

Ordered: That J. W. Ward be given \$2.00 for each of two children, \$4.00 being the amount of voucher, as present relief.

Ordered: That the hospital bill of Estelle Gibson of Bladenboro, N. C., be deferred until July 1, 1930, for further consideration.

Ordered: That Charlie Stewart be allowed \$5.00 as present relief.

Ordered: That if a special term of Court is to be held in Columbus County, the Commissioners will leave the matter of recommending to the Governor for such term to the Judge and Solicitor of this District, rather than for the Commissioners to make such recommendation at this time. The foregoing order was passed after the reading of a letter addressed to the Board of County Commissioners from Solicitor Woodus Kellum, who urged that the Board should take action as recommending such a special term.

Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt made her report to the County Commissioners, the following orders being passed in regard to persons whom she discussed with the Board:

It was ordered that--Letsey Miller, Colored, be admitted to the County Home.

That the \$15.00 allowance of Hick Pate's family be cut to \$10.00 during the summer months.

That a bill of \$6.86 be paid to M. L. Hill by General County voucher for expenses of Miss Laura Raspberry.

That Champ Ward be admitted to the County Home.

That Miss Harriett Holmes not be allowed any financial relief from the County on account of her having several brothers who are able to take care of her.

Ordered: That the one mile of road between Bert Harrelson's filling station and Vann Hinson's place be added to the mileage now being maintained by G. C. White's road force.

Ordered: That J. R. Blake be appointed a committee of one to investigate the cost of fixing road across berry patches which were left during the time the Chain Gang was building the road by W. H. Beck's place and that of Gus Hinson. It is further ordered that said J. R. Blake is hereby authorized and empowered to make whatever contract he may deem advisable in building the road across the places which were left untouched at the time of constructing the road leading from Highway 23 to the Chadbourn and Tabor Highway.

Ordered: That D. F. McGougan be authorized to investigate the cost of repairing road at J. G. Duncan's, also of repairing sand bed and cleaning ditch at or near Henry Stanley's place and that he shall make whatever contract in regard to both projects he deems necessary.

Ordered: That the following land sale certificates now in the hands of J. D. Lewis, County Attorney, for foreclosure and investigation be cancelled:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
>Don F. Register	Whiteville	1925	\$5.97	Listed by Mary Hill
\Donald Register	Whiteville	1926	5.98	Listed by Mary Hill
>J. B. Price	Ransom	1920	3.44	Not known, not B. J. Price
\C. T. Cartrett	Williams	1926	38.02	Listed by Mrs. Mollie B. Cartrett.
>W. M. Townsend	Tatum	1925	10.85	Listed by Sallie Rabon
>W. M. Townsend	Tatum	1926	10.65	Listed by Sallie Rabon
>W. M. Townsend	Tatum	1927	9.23	Listed by Sallie Rabon

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Mrs. Joe Potter in Chadbourn Township for the year 1929 on \$900.00 valuation on account of her being charged with two lots which were double listed.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Oscar High in Whiteville Township for the year 1929 on one-half of a town lot which through error was charged against the said Oscar High, same being already charged against Margaret and Joe Schulken and E. K. Proctor.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund M. T. Long in Lees Township for the year 1929 on \$300.00 valuation covering property in Lees No. 7. He was charged in Lees No. 10 through error.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund George E. Spaulding in Welches Creek Township for the year 1929 on \$600.00 valuation covering 55-acre tract of M. E. Spaulding property, this tract being the same as the 55-acre tract he has been listing for several years. The error occurred in having the property called in one instance the B. M. Spaulding property and in another, M. E. Spaulding.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Annie M. Edwards in Chadbourn Township for the year 1929 on \$250.00 valuation, refund to cancel receipt No. 993 on account of a 10-acre tract being listed by C. R. Bailey.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund T. B. Shallington in Bolton Township for the year 1929 on \$1,250.00 valuation in order to cancel receipt No. 571 on account of a 50-acre tract of Clark land being listed on both the regular and penalty list.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund W. L. Cribb in Williams Township for the year 1929 on \$600.00 valuation and one penalized poll tax in order to cancel receipt No. 826. This 10-acre tract is listed under the name of J. C. Cribb.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Noah Long Heirs in Bug Hill Township for the year 1929 on \$480.00 valuation special school tax only at

30¢. This land lies in no special school district.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund A. V. Ward in Lees Township for the year 1929 on \$308.00 valuation at 30¢ on Special School tax only. He does not live in a special taxing district.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund B. S. Thompson in Lees Township for the year 1929 on \$500.00 valuation on account of a double listing. This property is owned and listed on regular list by W. M. Davis, also charged against B. S. Thompson.

A delegation filed a petition signed by 113 persons requesting the Board of Commissioners to improve the road known as the Bird Cage road leading from Toon's Bay to the Powell Cross Roads while the Chain Gang is at its present site. The petition stated that the road is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles long and if improved would be a great benefit to many citizens living in that community. The County Commissioners took no action, however, at this time except to say that if they found it possible to work said road they would do so before moving the Chain Gang. The matter, therefore, is to be further considered at a later meeting.

Ordered: That the following General County vouchers be allowed and paid for the Month of May, 1930:

W. J. Newbold	Listing taxes, Waccamaw Twp.	\$66.30
J. E. Thompson	Listing taxes, Bogue Twp.	79.70
G. C. Cox	Listing taxes, Bug Hill Twp.	85.70
Louis F. Ward	Listing taxes, Lees Township	73.90
Miss Pauline Toon	Work in Register of Deeds' Office	52.00
Roy V. Owen	Listing taxes in Western Prong Twp	69.50
Geo. E. Collier	Postage for April	2.00
Lila Mae Dyson	Assisting Tax Collector	6.00
Evelyn Baldwin	Assisting Tax Collector	3.00
A. S. Richardson	4 days on Election Board	12.00
J. A. Baldwin	1 day on Election Board	3.00
J. A. Maulsby, Jr.	1 day on Election Board	3.00
Columbus County News	Tax notices for Tax Collector	10.00
J. T. Blake & Ned Yates	To capturing one complete still	10.00
Western Union Telg. Co.	Telegrams for April	1.29
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight during May	153.02
A. E. Waller	Listing taxes, Fair Bluff Twp.	83.90
McB. Hayes	Distributing Registration books	26.30
I. L. Green	Listing taxes, Cerro Gordo Twp.	81.20
H. G. Avant	3 days on Board	10.50
D. W. Merritt	3 days on Board and mileage	15.00
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	4 days on Board and mileage	16.10
J. R. Blake	2 days on Board and mileage	8.60
D. F. McGougan	4 days on Board and mileage	20.40
A. S. Richardson	Listing taxes, Whiteville Twp.	77.00
W. H. Shelly	Listing taxes, So. Williams Twp.	82.70
W. B. Ward	Listing taxes, Williams Twp.	83.00
J. L. Lennon	Listing taxes, Ramson Twp.	84.50
J. D. Strauss	Listing taxes, Bolton Twp.	69.00
Jetter H. Williamson	Listing taxes, Tatum Twp.	81.80
Julian D. Lewis	10% com. on L. S. C. collected	73.13
Susan Best	Washing & scrubbing at Co. Home	4.00
Willard Bowen	Plowing at County Home	12.37
D. Davis	Cutting wood for County Home	7.00
F. B. Foster	Maintenance at Jail	8.45
Dwight McEwen	Reporting Court Week of May 5, 1930	90.34
John P. Gore	4 days Court Officer	12.00
Frank Davis	Assisting Janitor during Court	3.50
J. A. Baldwin	Listing taxes, Chadbourn Twp.	79.10
Susan Best	Washing & scrubbing at Co. Home	3.50
Willard Bowen	Plowing at County Home	13.12
D. Davis	Cutting wood for County Home	11.00
W. H. Walker	Carpentry work at County Home	4.50

Columbus County News Seeman Printery, Inc. Sam C. Carter C. W. Yates Company Burkhead-DeVane Printing Co. J. T. McKenzie Furniture Co. Walker, Evans & Cogswell C. C. Moore Collins Dept. Store R. B. McRoy and Company Mitchell Printing Company Handy Hardware House R. B. McRoy & Company C. A. Farley C. A. Farley C. A. Farley C. T. Whaley J. M. Hinson H. B. Bruton I. R. Norris J. M. Hinson J. M. Hinson W. A. Cribb J. M. Hinson D. H. Rushing J. M. Hinson Mrs. P. K. Avant Cassie Williamson Pauline Toon Mrs. W. G. Prevatte Annie Mae Collier Oscar High J. L. Burney J. L. Burney J. L. Burney Mitchell Printing Co. Thompson Hardware Co. Miss Emiline Cleveland Sarah J. Williams Leona C. Wanesett J. P. Quinerly G. C. Ratcliffe Mae Stanley Mrs. W. R. DeVane John W. Hall C. A. Farley J. L. Memory Mary Memory Ed. Schwartz Geo. E. Collier Rachel Cook E. A. Maultsby Julian D. Lewis Edward K. Proctor #117 MotoreTransport Co. D. L. Gore Jasper Bowen Pross Millican Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt Town of Whiteville Schulken Brothers Mrs. Eudell C. Hayes J. L. Memory B. W. Hammond B. W. Hammond W. A. Memory Tide Water Power Co.	Court Calendars for April Term Supplies for Reg. of Deeds Conveying Dortch Nobles to Jail Erasers Tax Sale Certificate Sheets Burial case for Henry Burney Supplies for C. S. C. Wood for deserted wife and children Exchange of pair shoes (Outside Door) Clothing for Outdoor Poor Supplies for C. S. C. Supplies Supplies for County Home Conveying Mrs. Ella McGwigan to Raleigh Conveying Lemon Strickland from Conway Prisoners to Raleigh Conveying Henry McMillan to Jail Conveying John Hill to Jail Conveying prisoners to Whiteville Conveying Joe Tyson to Jail Conveying James Parker to Jail Conveying Wess Chestnutt to Jail Conveying Thomas Simmons to Jail To capturing one complete still Capturing one still & 1 operator To capturing one complete still Work on Tax Books Work on Tax Books Work on Tax Books Work on Tax Books Assisting Reg. of Deeds Supplies for County Home Farm Support of Jail during May, 1930 For washing at Jail Officer, R. Court & repair work Supplies for Register of Deeds Supplies for County Home Home Dem. Agt. & Nutrition Exp. May salary - Col. Home Dem. Agt. May salary - Stenographer May salary - County Agent May salary - Auditor May salary - assisting Auditor May Salary - Supervisor, Tax Books May salary - Sheriff May salary - assisting Sheriff May salary - C. S. C., etc. May salary - assisting C. S. C. May salary - Janitor, etc. May salary - Reg. of Deeds May salary - assisting Reg. of Deeds May salary - Judge, Recorder's Court May salary - County Attorney May salary - Pros. County Attorney May salary & May appropriation May salary - Tax Collector May salary - Keeper of County Home May salary - Asst. Co. Home Farm May salary - Welfare Officer & Mileage Water for Courthouse Supplies for Board of Elections Assisting C. S. C. during May Postage for May, 1930 Conveying Guy Lennon to Jail Conveying Henry McMillan to Jail Burial exp. of Mrs. Belle Memory Lights during May, 1930	\$7.50 28.72 48.15 1.00 37.50 18.00 3.87 1.50 1.00 3.60 48.35 14.19 61.09 22.00 10.50 23.00 5.00 3.80 11.75 11.75 3.05 3.05 4.25 10.00 20.00 10.00 81.00 81.00 81.00 81.00 50.00 7.15 339.50 1.00 17.40 55.22 25.70 67.50 25.00 50.00 150.00 200.00 100.00 100.00 225.00 100.00 225.00 100.00 60.00 200.00 100.00 100.00 75.00 75.00 10.00 200.00 100.00 30.00 100.00 24.25 3.60 41.00 6.22 5.30 5.30 30.00 36.77 <u>\$5,469.95</u>
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Ordered: That the following General Road bills be allowed and paid for the month of May, 1930:

J. F. Barkley, Agt. H. D. Stephens A. M. Stephens McRay Fowler L. E. Jones J. M. Sellers Sam West W. J. Tate A. H. Hammond Willie Green H. C. Brown W. L. Beasley	Freight & Express for Co. Garage Labor on Tabor and Fair Bluff road Labor on Tabor and Fair Bluff road Labor on Tabor and Fair Bluff road Labor on Tabor and Fireway road Labor on Tabor and Fireway road Labor on Tabor and Fireway road Labor at County Garage Labor at County Garage Labor at County Garage Labor at County Garage Labor at County Garage	\$3.63 30.00 24.00 36.00 36.00 30.00 24.00 60.00 42.00 38.50 42.00 14.00
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G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	\$36.00
D. A. Todd	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	30.00
James Lacewell	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	24.00
R. V. White	Labor on Fireway and Whiteville road	30.00
P. D. White	Labor on Fireway and Whiteville road	25.00
R. E. White	Labor on Fireway and Whiteville road	20.00
B. A. Marlowe	Labor on Old Dock and Hallsboro road	30.23
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on Old Dock and Hallsboro road	26.25
Cordis Blackman	Labor on Old Dock and Hallsboro road	22.00
R. V. White	Labor on Fireway and Whiteville road	31.50
P. D. White	Labor on Fireway and Whiteville road	26.50
R. E. White	Labor on Fireway and Whiteville road	21.00
B. A. Marlowe	Labor on Old Dock and Hallsboro road	32.50
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on Old Dock and Hallsboro road	23.75
Cordis Blackman	Labor on Old Dock and Hallsboro road	18.00
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor and Fair Bluff road	30.00
A. M. Stephens	Labor on Tabor and Fair Bluff road	24.00
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor and Fair Bluff road	36.00
L. E. Jones	Labor on Tabor and Fireway road	36.00
J. M. Sellers	Labor on Tabor and Fireway road	30.00
Sam West	Labor on Tabor and Fireway road	24.00
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	36.00
D. A. Todd	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	30.00
James Lacewell	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	24.00
W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	60.00
A. H. Hammonds	Labor at County Garage	42.00
Willie Green	Labor at County Garage	38.50
H. C. Brown	Labor at County Garage	37.80
Pearl Graham	Labor at County Garage	3.00
Standard Oil Company	Gas and Oil	356.85
Thompson Hardware Co.	Nails for Hallsboro and Old Dock road	4.00
Chadbourn Hardware Co.	Supplies for Chadbourn and Tabor road	5.15
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight and Express for Co. Garage	8.05
G. C. Hinson	Lumber for Whiteville & Fireway road	48.94
		<u>\$1,651.19</u>

Ordered: That the following Chain Gang vouchers be allowed and paid for the month of May, 1930:

Bill Hooks	750 lbs. of Hay	\$9.38
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight and Express	5.72
G. C. Hinson	Lumber	186.21
G. S. Nobles	Pigs and potatoes	50.50
Wilson Edwards	Hay and corn	35.78
G. A. Priest	Vegetables	19.66
Henry Merritt	1500 lbs. hay	13.50
Wilson Edwards	Corn meal and hay	28.00
R. S. Britt	Vegetables	20.96
Wilson Edwards	corn, hay and corn meal	52.60
Will Applewhite	Work on Tractor	74.75
Alton Edwards	Work on Tractor	78.00
H. C. Edwards	May salary - Superintendent	125.00
Seymour Ward	Putting down pump	8.10
M. B. McLamb	Guard duty	11.61
Fred Strickland	Guard duty	27.09
J. B. Long	Guard duty	40.00
Otto Edwards	Guard duty	40.00
Frank Britt	Team foreman	40.00
F. H. Ross & Company	4 doz. sheets	42.00
Thompson Hardware Co.	Supplies	9.10
E. F. Craven Company	Supplies for Tractor and Grader	298.64
Standard Oil Company	Gas and Oil	209.44
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight and Express	15.33
McGougan Electric Co.	Parts for light plant	7.65
Guiton's Drug Store	Drugs for Chain Gang	2.85
		<u>\$1,451.87</u>

Ordered: That the following Bond Interest & Sinking Fund voucher be allowed and paid for the month of May, 1930:

Bank of Whiteville	\$6,015.00
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Ordered: That the following Outdoor Poor vouchers be allowed and paid for the month of May, 1930:

Total Outdoor Poor for month of May	\$329.60
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Ordered: That the following Jury Tickets be allowed and paid for the month of May, 1930:

Total Jury Tickets for May \$324.60

Ordered: That the following Insolvent Fees be allowed and paid for the month of May, 1930:

Total Insolvent Fees for month of May \$222.88

There being no further business to come before the Board at this meeting, adjournment was voted in order until Monday, June 16, 1930.

G. C. Ratcliffe
Clerk

Approved:
D. F. McManis
Chairman

According to adjournment, the Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' office on Monday, June 16, 1930, all members of the Board being present.

The purpose of this meeting was to hear taxpayers in whatever complaints they might have to make regarding taxes, valuations, and irregularities for the year 1930 only. The following changes in acreage, valuations, and listings were made:

BOGUE TOWNSHIP

Mrs. M. T. Baldwin	\$2400	Home reduced to \$2200
Mrs. Thos. Brown	\$4000	Reduced to \$3400 - Home
S. T. Dew	\$1700	Reduced to \$1500 - Home
J. W. Doors, Jr.	\$475	Reduced to \$300 - 37.9-acres