

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office February 2, 1931, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present were:

J. C. Hooks, Sr., Chairman

J. R. Blake

C. D. Garrell

R. C. Benton

D. W. Merritt

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

After the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved the following business was transacted:

Ordered: That Estelle Gore, Bug Hill, N. C. be allowed \$3.00 present relief and be referred to Mrs. Barnhardt.

Ordered: That Neal Barefoot of Hallsboro, N. C., be allowed \$5.00 present relief and \$5.00 per month on account of disability.

Ordered: That Luther Sellars' allowance be increased from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per month.

Ordered: That Emery Fiops be allowed a refund for 1930 poll tax on account of disability.

Ordered: That Laura J. Raspberry be referred to Mrs. Barnhardt.

Ordered: That G. S. Livingston be appointed Constable of Chadbourn Township.

Ordered: That Charley Hill be allowed \$3.00 present relief and \$3.00 per month on account of disability.

Ordered: That Johnson Pierce be allowed \$2.00 present relief and \$2.00 per month on account of disability.

Ordered: That C. D. Jordan be allowed \$5.00 present relief on account of disability.

Ordered: That Daniel Cartrett of Guide, N. C., be allowed \$5.00 present relief and referred to Mrs. Barnhardt.

Ordered: That the Richmond Trust Company be allowed an exemption order from paying penalty on taxes in Ransom Township on account of not being informed of taxes.

Ordered: That Lee Chapel Lodge be allowed a refund on \$625.00 valuation on account of property being non-taxable.

Ordered: That the Red Hill Swamp Crew work on Lake Road for two weeks.

Ordered: That Will Gore be allowed \$3.00 present relief and referred to Mrs. Barnhardt.

Ordered: That Matthew Byrd be allowed \$5.00 present relief and \$5.00 per month for three months.

Ordered: That Spicy Pruitt's monthly allowance be reduced to \$2.00 per month.

Ordered: That on motion of R. C. Benton, seconded by C. D. Garrell that the salary of Dr. Floyd Johnson be reduced \$600.00 per annum.

On motion of R. C. Benton, seconded by C. D. Garrell, that at the expiration of contract on June 30, 1931, the office of Home Demonstration Agent be discontinued. Vote of Commissioners, J. R. Blake and D. W. Merritt, No; R. C. Benton, C. D. Garrell, and J. C. Hooks, Sr., Yes.

Ordered: That Mrs. Kate Flynn Mills' 1930 tax be cancelled on account of being listed by George W. Frink.

Ordered: That Mary B. Wallace 1930 tax be cancelled, property listed by P. M. Bowers.

Ordered: That O. P. Corbett be refunded \$38.60 on account of error listing Solvent Credits.

Ordered: That Armour Fertilizer Works be refunded tax on \$1133.00 valuation on account of error listing number of acres.

Ordered: That County bid on G. A. Blue land in Tatum Township be transferred to Mrs. Alice James Benton.

Ordered: That County bid on McLean & Croom land in Welches Creek Township be transferred to Nashfield Moore.

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners that Standard Workmen's Compensation and Employers' Liability policy # 42567 with American Employers Insurance Company wherein County of Columbus is the assured, that an adjusted Rate Endorsement has been submitted to the Board of County Commissioners to be attached to said policy for acceptance; and

Whereas, said endorsement increases the rate on the premium on said policy in the sum of \$205.32 in addition to the \$501.08 already paid on said policy; and

Whereas, the Board feels it for the best interest of Columbus County to cancel said policy and become self-insurers;

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that said policy above described #42567 be cancelled and the insurance company requested to return the unearned portion of the premium already paid; that Columbus County become self-insurers as provided for counties by Law; that American Employers Liability Insurance Company be given ten days notice to cancel said policy; and that a copy of this resolution be sent to said insurance company, to Mr. L. Paul Cook, local agent of said company, and to the Industrial Commission of the State of North Carolina.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund M. V. Hilburn in Waccamaw Township poll tax for the year 1930 in the amount of \$20.00 on account of being listed in both Waccamaw and Bolton Townships.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund D. N. Evans in Lees Township on \$410.00 valuation on account of error in addition, for the year 1930.

Ordered: That J. L. Yates Estate in Chadbourn Township be given a refund on \$600.00 valuation for the year 1929 on account of timber being sold.

Ordered: That J. G. Cox in South Williams Township be given a refund on \$800.00 for the year 1930 on account of Personal Property being listed in South Carolina.

Ordered: That Mrs. T. J. Batten refunded in the amount of \$0.25 in Welches Creek Township for the year 1930 on account of error in charging "Listing Fees".

Ordered: That a refund be granted Cooper River Timber Company

in the amount of \$4.90 for the year 1930 in Waccamaw Township on account of penalty charged in error.

Ordered: That a refund be given Cooper River Timber Company in the amount of \$2.80 in Bogue Township for the year 1930 on account of penalty charged in error.

Ordered: That Mrs. J. F. Rogers, Sr. in Fair Bluff Township for the year 1930 be given a refund on \$430.00 valuation on account of mistake in valuation of town lot.

Ordered: That Cooper River Timber Company in Tatum Township be given a refund in the amount of \$25.34 for the year 1930 on account of error in listing.

Ordered: That the following General County bills be allowed and paid:

J. C. Hooks, Sr.	8 days on Board Committee Work	\$32.00
Sarah J. Williams	Col. Home Dem. Agt. Salary	25.00
Miss Emiline Cleveland	Salary & Nutrition Expense	67.50
J. P. Quinerly	Salary - County Agent	150.00
A. W. Baldwin	Salary - Auditor	150.00
Mae Stanley	Salary - assisting Auditor	100.00
John W. Hall	Salary - Sheriff	225.00
C. A. Farley	Salary - assisting Sheriff	100.00
J. L. Memory	Salary - C. S. C., etc.	225.00
Mary Memory	Salary - assisting C. S. C.	100.00
Ed. Schwartz	Salary - Janitor, etc.	50.00
Geo. E. Collier	Salary - Reg. of Deeds	200.00
Rachel Cook	Salary - assisting Reg. of Deeds	100.00
E. A. Maultsby	Salary - Judge, R. Court	75.00
Julian D. Lewis	Salary - County Attorney	75.00
Jackson Greer	Salary - Pros. Co. Attorney	75.00
D. L. Gore	Salary - Tax Collector	150.00
Jasper Bowen	Salary - Co. Home Keeper	75.00
Pross Millican	Salary - Asst. Co. Home Farm	30.00
Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt	Salary & Traveling Expenses	100.00
#117 Motor Transport Co.	Monthly-Appropriation	10.00
H. McLumdsen	Heater for County Home	10.00
R. B. McRoy and Co.	Supplies for Co. Home & Jail	67.35
V. B. White	Officer Grand Jury	12.00
Mrs. M. T. Moyers	2 heaters for County Home	15.00
David Smith	1 heater for County Home	10.00
Mack Cutler	Hauling ashes from Courthouse	3.00
International Chemical Co.	Formo Flakes for County Home	22.05
Leder Brothers	Clothing for County Home	12.57
Dewey Brothers	Supplies for Boiler at Jail	35.55
Mrs. B. A. Marlowe	Registrar of Vital Statistics	26.50
J. B. Waddell	Registrar Vital Statistics	13.50
M. F. Lowe	Registrar Vital Statistics	29.50
F. H. Britt	Registrar Vital Statistics	20.50
W. H. Shelly	Registrar Vital Statistics	23.50
J. L. Lennon	Registrar Vital Statistics	26.50
H. S. High	Registrar Vital Statistics	19.00
J. O. Maultsby	Registrar Vital Statistics	5.00
G. C. Hinson	Registrar Vital Statistics	52.50
J. D. Strauss	Registrar Vital Statistics	9.50
E. L. Baldwin	Registrar Vital Statistics	48.00
Tecumseh Pierce	Registrar Vital Statistics	30.00
I. L. Green	Registrar Vital Statistics	27.00
W. C. Stone	Registrar Vital Statistics	32.50
A. S. Richardson	$\frac{1}{2}$ cost J. P. Court Case	1.92
Thomason-Ripple Lumber Co.	Lumber for Courthouse	2.12
Bernice Moore	Vance Keyton to Jail	4.90
J. T. McKenzie & Co.	Supplies	104.00
Mitchell Printing Co.	Supplies for R. of Deeds	32.29
Monroe Calculating Mche. Co.	Repairs to Monroe	30.00
James Walker Memorial H.	Bill for Fentrice George	92.00
Winoca Chemical Co.	Janitor's Supplies	6.75
P. H. Squires	Ellis Wright to Chain Gang	5.60
A. M. McCormick	John Page to Jail	6.50
Burroughs Adding Mche. Co.	Ribbon for Tax Department	.75

Dept. Conservation & Dev.	Forestry Expenditures	\$81.55
R. F. Covington	Salary - Tax Supervisor	125.00
A. T. Massey Coal Co.	47.8 tons Coal	71.70
Dwight McEwen	Court Stenographer	111.34
C. A. Farley	Support of Jail for January	484.20
Avant and Sholar	Hauling 47.8 tons coal	47.80
News Reporter Company	Supplies	163.34
Jackson Hill	Cutting wood for Co. Home	4.87
Ella Hilburn	Waiting on sick at County Home	8.00
Jno. P. Gore	Superior Court Officer	18.00
Memory Company	Supplies for Jail and Courthouse	13.89
A. S. Richardson	Inquest of Alva Strickland	5.00
Frank Davis	Assisting Janitor during Court	3.00
Julian D. Lewis	Com. on L.S.C. collected & cancelled	292.78
P. H. Squires	Special Court Officer	18.00
J. L. Memory	Postage for C. S. C.	4.34
Town of Whiteville	Water for Courthouse	24.50
I. R. Norris	Capturing one complete still	10.00
A. S. Sasser	Capturing one complete still	20.00
C. A. Farley	Capturing one complete still	10.00
Columbus Telephone Co.	Rent & Long Distance Calls	47.40
Elvira D. Wooten	Registrar of Vital Statistics	22.00
News Reporter Co.	Adv. Land Sale for Taxes bid in by Columbus County	700.50
R. B. McRoy and Co.	Food for Columbus County Home	9.15
McNeill's Drug Store	Drugs for Jail and Co. Home	23.35
Dept. of Labor & Ptg.	Revaluation forms for Tax Dept.	123.40
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight and Express	170.90
J. J. Edwards	Conveying Prisoners to Jail	14.10
Leon Blackman	Marvin Gappins to Court	3.05
J. H. Piggott	Douglas Davis etal to Jail	4.25
W. A. Cribb	Daisy White to Jail	3.80
J. M. Hinson	Ted Norris to Jail	6.10
P. H. Squires	W. E. Millinor to Court	7.10
I. F. Green	Forney Hammonds to Jail	4.25
C. A. Farley	Conveying Prisoners re Stolen Goods	10.00
W. H. Hickman	Fees in J. P. Court Case	1.35
McDaniel Lewis	Exp. Hospital Bond Issue	50.00
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	3 days on Board and mileage	14.50
J. R. Blake	4 days on Board and mileage	17.20
C. D. Garrell	2 days on Board and mileage	11.00
D. W. Merritt	2 days on Board and mileage	10.60
R. C. Benton	2 days on Board and mileage	9.80
C. A. Farley	Aman Soloman to Whiteville	9.75
I. F. Green	Forney Hammonds to Jail	4.25
Dr. H. H. Hodgin	Operation for Lonnie Spivey	15.00
Leona C. Winesett	Stenographer for Demonstrators	35.00
W. J. Tate	Exp. trip Wilmington re Boiler	7.12
Tide Water Power Company	Lights	56.32
Ella Hilburn	Washing & House Work at Co. Home	12.00
Hemmingway Russ	Cutting wood at County Home	2.00
D. N. Blue & Company	Part payment on Audit	500.00
David Smith, P. M.	Stamps for Farm Agent's office	5.00

Ordered: That the following General Road bills be allowed and paid:

W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	54.50
A. H. Hammond	Labor at County Garage	32.30
Willie Green	Labor at County Garage	38.70
H. C. Brown	Labor at County Garage	38.70
W. L. Beasley	Labor at County Garage	29.10
D. F. Buffkin	Labor at County Garage	3.75
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor, Fair Bluff & Pireway	40.80
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway Rd.	24.75
L. E. Jones	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	24.75
A. M. Stephens	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	21.60
J. C. Fowler	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	19.80
J. M. Sellers	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	19.80
R. V. White	Labor on Whiteville and Pireway road	25.65
P. D. White	Labor on Whiteville and Pireway road	21.37
R. E. White	Labor on Whiteville and Pireway road	17.10
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor Road	29.70
D. A. Todd	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	27.00
B. B. Ward	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	21.60
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	22.50
J. W. Hayes	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	14.40
H. E. Stanley	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	7.50
B. A. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	33.75
L. M. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	22.50
Cordis Blackman	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	18.00
E. F. Craven Company	Supplies for County Garage	8.11
Penn. Rubber Company	Supplies for County Garage	235.42
Hyman Supply Company	Supplies for County Garage	34.24
Avant & Sholar	Supplies for County Garage	2.70
Newport Culvert Company	Culverts for General Roads	325.60

Hugh A. Barnes	Supplies for County Garage	510.32
Motor Bearings & Parts Co.	Supplies for County Garage	34.25
Standard Oil Company	Gas and Oil	112.92
Sinclair Refining Co.	Gas for Red Hill Swamp road	85.17
McRay Fowler	Supplies for Tabor, F.B. & Fireway rd.	5.13
McArthur Brothers	Lumber for Tabor, F.B. & Fireway rd.	48.65
Columbus Telephone Co.	L. Distance calls for County Garage	1.20
Columbus Motor Company	Supplies for County Garage	24.54
G. R. Mitchell	Damage his land - sand pit	25.00
J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight and Express, Co. Garage	3.76
W. J. Tate	Repair Trips, various projects	19.95
Tide Water Power Co.	Lights for County Garage	5.11
R. V. White	Labor on Whiteville & Fireway road	29.70
P. D. White	Labor on Whiteville & Fireway road	24.75
R. E. White	Labor on Whiteville & Fireway road	19.80
A. S. Sasser	Labor on L. Waccamaw Project	12.12
Marvin Council	Labor on L. Waccamaw Project	10.13
Jutty Ford	Labor on L. Waccamaw Project	8.10
W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	54.00
A. H. Hammond	Labor at County Garage	38.40
Willie Green	Labor at County Garage	38.40
H. C. Brown	Labor at County Garage	38.40
W. L. Beasley	Labor at County Garage	36.80
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Fireway rd.	40.80
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Fireway rd.	27.00
L. E. Jones	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Fireway rd.	27.00
A. M. Stephens	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Fireway rd.	21.60
J. C. Fowler	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Fireway rd.	7.20
J. M. Sellers	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Fireway rd.	21.60
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	32.40
B. B. Ward	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	21.60
D. A. Todd	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	27.00
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	31.05
L. M. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	26.37
Cordis Blackman	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	20.70
J. W. Hayes	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	12.69

Ordered: That the following Chain Gang bills be allowed

and paid:

Alton Edwards	Operating Tractor	64.35
Will Applewhite	Operating Road Machine	64.35
H. C. Edwards	Superintendent's salary	100.00
J. I. Hardee	31 days team foreman duty	40.00
M. B. McLamb	Guard duty	40.00
Charlie Powers	Night guard duty	32.25
R. B. McRoy and Co.	Food for Chain Gang	17.50
Chadbourn Hardware Company	Saw files	11.35
Ed. Stephens	10 bushels potatoes	7.50
J. A. Baldwin	12 bushels Irish Potatoes	15.00
The One Price Store	Shoes for Chain Gang	12.60
E. H. Hickman & Company	Food for Chain Gang	103.63
S. E. Hooks	20 bales hay	11.34
Cox Milling Company	Meal for Chain Gang	10.00
Thompson Hardware Co.	Supplies for Chain Gang	13.80
Kin Batten Farm	29 bushels corn	29.00
S. W. Garrell Wholesale	Provisions and supplies	53.00
Standard Oil Company	Oil for Chain Gang	27.50
Sinclair Refining Company	Gas for Chain Gang	92.97
Oscar High	Bedding for Chain Gang	39.50
E. L. Watts	Conveying escaped convicts	25.00
F. E. Boege	Moving house of G. I. Hinson	35.00
G. I. Hinson	Assisting moving house	15.00
R. B. McRoy and Company	Food for Chain Gang	12.40
McNeill's Drug Store	Drugs	7.95
W. J. Tate	Mileage repair trips	15.30

Ordered: That the following General County bills be paid:

Insolvent Fees for January	\$212.01
Outdoor Poor vouchers for January	278.00
Jury Tickets for January	795.40

Ordered: That the following land sale certificates now in

the hands of the County Attorney for investigation be cancelled:

Name	Township	Year	Amt.	Reason
George McLelland	Chadbourn	1921	\$4145	Land now Negro Cemetery
Kelly McMillian	Whiteville	1926	19.28	Listed twice this on White list.

J. E. Williams	Ransom	1928	\$9.28	✓ This paid by J. E. Williams which was James Williams tax.
Mrs. G. W. Brown	Tatum	1928	79.56	✓ This paid to G. C. Ratcliffe

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until Monday, March 2, 1931.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin Clerk *J. C. Hooks Sr* Chairman

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- J. R. Blake
- R. C. Benton
- D. W. Merritt
- C. D. Garrell

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

The minutes of last meeting being read and approved the following business was transacted:

Ordered: That L. H. High, Sr. be admitted to the County Home.

Ordered: That J. J. Smith be paid \$25.00 for additional work on Wild Cattle Swamp Road when work is completed and inspected by C. D. Garrell.

Ordered: That D. W. Merritt be appointed as Committee to investigate Hallsboro and Old Dock Road by request of L. Shipman.

Ordered: That C. D. Jordan tax matter be deferred until a later date.

Ordered: That O. D. Clewis be appointed Constable of Cerro Gordo Township.