

S. W. Garrell Wholesale	Groceries and clothing	\$138.08
Garrell Brothers	Groceries	164.62
Stephens & Barnes Furni- Ture Co.	Burial expense of Jas. D. Mercer	35.00
T. S. Lewis	18 bushels corn	18.00
W. N. Wilson	10 bushels potatoes	7.50
Solon Powell	20 heads collards	1.00
Bill Hooks	Hay and meat	25.11
J. C. Hooks, Jr.	20 bushels corn	20.00
Cox Milling Company	4 bushels meal	4.00
H. Edmund	10 bushels potatoes	7.50
J. B. Bruton	Lumber	63.30
J. C. Fowler	23 days operating Tractor	67.39
O. M. Stephens	Truck Driver at Chain Gang	40.00
J. I. Hardee	Team Foreman	40.00
W. L. Burchett	Guard duty	40.00
M. B. McLamb	Guard duty	40.00
J. M. Simmons	Guard duty	40.00
B. A. Marlowe	Superintendent's salary	100.00
McNeill's Drug Store	Drugs	2.70
Sinclair Refining Co.	Gas and Oil	95.62
R. B. McRoy and Co.	Groceries	88.15
Solon Powell	20 heads collards	1.00
O. M. Stephens	Conveying Wimmie Mercer to Hospital	<u>5.00</u>

Ordered: That the following General County vouchers be paid as of this date:

Outdoor Poor for March	\$382.00
Insolvent fees	142.59

Ordered: That the following Bond Interest and Sinking Fund voucher be allowed and paid:

Waccamaw Bank & Trust Company, Proceeds of note date March 23 for School purposes	\$24,531.25
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(See page 310 for orders overlooked when writing up the minutes of this date)

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time adjournment was voted in order until April 17, 1931.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin

Clerk

J. C. Hooks Sr.

Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office/according to adjournment. Members of the Board present were:

J. C. Hooks, Sr., Chairman
J. R. Blake
D. W. Merritt
C. D. Garrell
R. C. Benton

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk.

The following business was transacted:

On motion of R. C. Benton, seconded by D. W. Merritt, that the Tax Collector advertise and sell on first Monday in June, 1931, all Real Estate which there are taxes due for 1930, said Tax Collector to deliver to the Columbus News of Chadbourn, N. C., to be advertised the following Townships: Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Fair Bluff, Tatum and Western Prong. Said paper is to receive fifteen cents per name for the advertising. The News Reporter Company is to advertise the other ten townships and is to receive twenty cents per name for the advertising.

Ordered: That the County pay not exceeding \$25.00 for coffin for M. Q. Strickland.

Ordered: That W. J. Tate have the Doors and Windows screened at the Donald McRackan home now occupied by Dr. F. Johnson.

Ordered: That the Chain Gang with full force be allowed to work three full days on road from T. F. Collier's place to Western Prong swamp leading by R. P. Britt's place.

Ordered: That Julian D. Lewis, County Attorney, confer with Bond representatives relative to Funding County indebtedness.

Ordered: That contract be signed with D. N. Blue and Company for Auditing Register of Deeds, Tax Collector and Auditor.

ORDERED: That the following resolution be recorded relative to renewing a Twenty-five Thousand Dollar (\$25,000.00) note for General School purposes.

Be it ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that one note of the County of Columbus be executed in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), dated April 27, 1931, maturing sixty days after date, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, interest payable at maturity; both principal and interest of said note payable to BEARER at North Carolina Bank & Trust Company of the city of Wilmington, N. C. in anticipation of 1930 taxes, and that said note be sold or hypothecated and the proceeds thereof turned into the General Fund of said County of Columbus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the full faith and credit of the County of Columbus be pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said note at maturity.

NOTE

Sixty days after date the County of Columbus for value received promises to pay to the BEARER hereof at North Carolina Bank & Trust Company in the city of Wilmington, N. C. the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), with interest from date at the rate of six per cent.

This note is issued in pursuance of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County on the 17th day of April, 1931, and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk of said Board as required by law.

It is hereby certified and recited that each and every act, condition and thing required to be done, to have happened and to be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this note, has been done, has happened, and has been performed in full and strict compliance with the Constitution and Laws of the State of North Carolina, and this note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by Law, and the faith and credit of the County of Columbus are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest of this note according to its terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the County of Columbus has caused its corporate name to be signed hereto by the Chairman of its Board of County Commissioners and the corporate seal to be hereto affixed and attested by the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, this April 27, 1931.

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that Horace Lawrence, Chadburn, N. C., was sentenced at the August term of Court, 1930, to the county roads after conviction on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill for a period of six months, and started serving on February 2, 1931; and

WHEREAS, the said Horace Lawrence has been in poor physical condition and unable to do satisfactory work on the county roads and is being used at the county home; and

WHEREAS, the said Horace Lawrence has strawberries which need attention and which will go unattended if he is not allowed to take care of the crop;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that this Board go on record as not opposing any steps District Solicitor Woodus Kellum might take toward relieving the said Horace Lawrence of his duties under sufficient bond for a term beginning May 1, 1931, and ending June 1, 1931.

Ordered: That the following General County bills be allowed

and paid:

J. F. Barkley, Agt.	Freight for County Home	\$8.94
A. W. Baldwin	Expense to Wilmington re Notes	7.00
R. F. Covington	Advance on Salary -Tax Supervisor	50.00
Sarah J. Williams	Salary, Home Dem.Agt.Col. for Mch.	25.00
E. A. Maultsby	Advance salary - Judge,R.Court	50.00
Ella Hilburn	Washing,etc. at County Home	3.50
J. C. Nye	Advance on Tax listing Wac. Twp.	15.00
A. S. Richardson	Advance on Tax listing Whiteville Township	25.00

Ordered: That the following General Road vouchers be allowed

and paid:

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	35.20
W. L. Beasley	Labor at County Garage	35.20
J. G. McGowan	Labor at County Garage	36.80
W. J. Tate, Jr.	Labor at County Garage	5.00
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	29.70
L. M. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	24.75
Cordis Blackman	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	19.80
R. V. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	28.35
P. D. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	23.62
R. E. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	18.90
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway	35.70
H. D. Stephens	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	23.63
L. E. Jones	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway	23.63
A. M. Stephens	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway	18.90
J. M. Sellers	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway	17.10
H. B. Buffkin	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway	18.90
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	32.40
D. A. Todd	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	27.00
B. B. Ward	Labor on Chadbourn and Tabor road	21.69
A. S. Sasser	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	27.00
Marvin Council	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	22.50
Theodore Reeves	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	1.80
V. A. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	31.05
L. M. Marlowe	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	25.87
Cordis Blackman	Labor on Hallsboro & Old Dock road	20.70
McRay Fowler	Labor on Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd	40.80
H. D. Stephens	Labor, Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	27.00
L. E. Jones	Labor, Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	25.88
A. M. Stephens	Labor, Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	20.70
J. M. Sellers	Labor, Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	20.70
H. B. Buffkin	Labor, Tabor, F. Bluff & Pireway rd.	20.70
W. J. Tate	Labor at County Garage	54.00
A. H. Hammond	Labor at County Garage	32.00
Willie Green	Labor at County Garage	38.40
H. C. Brown	Labor at County Garage	33.60
W. L. Beasley	Labor at County Garage	27.20
J. G. McGowan	Labor at County Garage	38.40
G. C. White	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	32.40
D. A. Todd	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	27.00
B. B. Ward	Labor on Chadbourn & Tabor road	19.80
A. S. Sasser	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	29.70
Marvin Council	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	24.75
Theodore Reeves	Labor on Red Hill Swamp road	1.80
R. V. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	31.05
P. D. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	25.88
R. E. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	20.70
D. Ward	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	3.75
Berk Reaves	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	3.12
Robt. White	Labor on Whiteville & Pireway road	.75

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until the next regular Meeting.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin

Clerk

J. B. Hanks

Chairman

(Orders overlooked when writing up minutes of meeting on April 6, 1931.)

Ordered: That J. E. Creech be given a refund on \$1010.00 valuation for 1930 on account of his not living in a special school district.

Ordered: That Mrs. Mattie Scott be given a refund on \$2000 valuation for 1930 on account of error in listing stock.

Ordered: That Mrs. Maggie Scott be given a refund on \$2000 valuation for 1930 on account of error in listing stock.

Ordered: That A. S. Sasser be given a refund on \$1750.00 valuation for 1930 on account of error in listing.

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County by residents and citizens, together with the township road board of Tatum Township, that there is a link of road extending over about one and one-half miles leading from highway No. 20, turning to the right on the said highway from Chadbourn to Lumberton at the Edwin Wright place (now the Griffin) farm and leading to the W. K. Fields home place near Boardman, which has not been put on the new State road map; and

Whereas, the said link of road is one over which two school trucks have to travel daily and over which a mail carrier has to travel daily; and

Whereas, under the provisions of the Public Local Law, it is necessary that all roads in Columbus County over which mail carriers have to travel on their daily routes shall be maintained and kept in good condition.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that State Senator W. H. Powell and Representative D. F. McGougan be requested to use their best efforts toward getting the said route leading from highway No. 20 at the Edwin Wright (now Griffin) farm and extending now to the W. K. Fields home place put on the new State road map, which it is proposed the State will maintain.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to Senator Powell and a copy to Representative McGougan and a copy recorded in the minutes of this board.

Whereas, the County of Columbus has on deposit in North Carolina Bank & Trust Company of the City of Wilmington, North Carolina, approximately \$67,000.00 on which said bank is paying said county interest at the rate of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent; and

Whereas, on several occasions said bank has aided the county in financial matters as well as having aided in an advisory capacity; and,

Whereas, it has been requested by said bank that during this period of depression that only 3% interest be paid the county rather than $3\frac{1}{2}\%$;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that North Carolina Bank & Trust Co. be instructed to pay temporarily 3% on said deposit rather than $3\frac{1}{2}\%$, and that this arrangement continue in force at least until notes of Columbus County held by said bank are retired; and that said new interest rate is to commence as of April 1, 1931.

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office May 4, 1931, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present were:

J. C. Hooks, Sr.

J. R. Blake

D. W. Merritt

C. D. Garrell

R. C. Benton

A. W. Baldwin, Clerk

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

Ordered: That Polly Morgan c/o Luther Hammond be allowed \$3.00 present relief and \$3.00 per month.

Ordered: That William B. Fipps be allowed \$3.00 present relief and \$3.00 per month.

Ordered: That Rock Smith be allowed not to pay poll tax for 1931 on account of disability.

Ordered: That the following be allowed present relief by request of Mrs. Barnhardt:

Pency Clark \$5.00

Chas. Henry Long \$5.00

Ordered: That 60 acres of land in Lees Township listed by L. Baggett be valued at \$200.00 for the year 1931.