

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office August 3, 1931, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present were:

J. C. Hooks, Chairman
 D. W. Merritt
 J. R. Blake
 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 the Sheriff summon the following good and lawful men to serve as Jurors at the August term of Court, 1931:

<u>Township</u>	<u>First Week</u>
Bogue	J. L. Schwartz S. A. Smith
Bolton	R. H. Colvin H. B. Jackson
Bug Hill	J. T. Gore J. M. Gore
Chadbourn	W. F. Yates G. H. Doughner W. F. Faulk
Cerro Gordo	Jesse Thompson O. H. Williamson
Fair Bluff	S. C. Scott W. K. Rogers H. C. Enzor
Lees	N. M. Ward L. M. White Randal Ward
Ransom	W. J. Butler J. M. Dale W. L. Hobbs
Tatum	J. D. Stanley C. R. Rabon D. D. Nance
Waccamaw	D. R. Priest W. R. Reaves
Welches Creek	Ira Baldwin O. F. Batten Joseph Brown
Western Prong	Joe D. Brown J. M. Lennon
Williams	J. D. Spivey J. F. Garrell J. C. McPherson I. J. Spivey, Jr.
South Williams	J. A. Gore Noah Duncan H. E. Soles D. A. Stephens
Whiteville	Walter P. High W. P. Marlowe R. B. Fesperman Ralph Richardson

<u>Township</u>	<u>Second Week</u>
Bogue	Albert Batten
Bolton	Rufus Newell
Bug Hill	J. F. Connor
Chadbourn	W. M. Brown F. E. Doege
Cerro Gordo	A. L. Griffin
Fair Bluff	Chas. M. Hammond
Lees	J. H. McKee Austin Coleman
Ransom	Isham Blake Isham A. Cain
Tatum	B. T. Kissam, Sr. R. H. Brooks
Waccamaw	R. J. Pate
Welches Creek	J. G. Pruitt Joe A. Baldwin
Western Prong	Arthur H. Brown Alex Gibson
Williams	W. M. Stephens Seymour Ray
South Williams	J. T. Prince J. H. Anderson
Whiteville	J. E. Thompson J. P. Alford

Ordered: That J. O. Williamson be allowed to pay \$200.00 cash and be given a General County voucher for \$286.07 and that he give Real Estate Mortgage to the County on the P. Lennon home place, Chadbourn, for the balance of \$286.07 due by Williamson under a former order.

Ordered: That Jim Smith, c/o A. C. Coleman, Nakina, N. C., be given \$4.00 per month from the Outside Poor Fund.

Ordered: That Eliza Duncan, Clarendon, N. C., Rt. # 1, be given \$2.00 per month from the Outside Poor Fund. Send to Y. N. Gore.

Ordered: That \$800.00 Note of Lees Township and \$300.00 Note of Bolton Township be paid from the Township Road Funds to the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Company.

Ordered: That the Township Road Funds be transferred from the Farmers & Merchants Bank, Tabor, N. C., to the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, Whiteville, N. C., and that \$5,000.00 State of N. C. Highway Serial Bonds deposited with North Carolina Bank and Trust Company, Wilmington, N. C., subject to the order of Columbus

County be released to Farmers & Merchants Bank of Tabor.

Ordered: That all bids be rejected received this date for mules and horses offered for sale at 11:00 a. m. by Board.

Motion by Blake, seconded by Merritt that office of Welfare Officer filled by Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt be reinstated and salary to be fixed at a later date in a joint meeting of the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education.

Ordered: That R. C. Carson's check for \$341.25 and Mrs. R. C. Carson's check for \$ 39.00 which is presented to pay 1931 taxes Less $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ discount be deposited in General County Fund.

Whereas, it appears that Columbus County has on deposit in North Carolina Bank and Trust Company approximately Fifty Five Thousand (\$55,000.00) Dollars; and

Whereas, said Bank has up as security a depository bond for such deposit one Seventy Thousand (\$70,000.00) Dollar bond and one Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollar bond; and

Whereas, said Bank holds two Columbus County notes in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars each; and

Whereas, said Bank has requested that it be allowed to cancel the Seventy Thousand (\$70,000.00) Dollar bond, keep in force the Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollar, and in addition thereto place one of the Columbus County Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollar notes as a depository bond with the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company of Wilmington, N. C. for safe keeping for the protection of the deposit of Columbus County;

Now, therefore, be it ordered by the Board, that North Carolina Bank and Trust Company be allowed to withdraw its Seventy Thousand (\$70,000) Dollar bond, keep in force its Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollar bond, and place one Columbus County note for Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars with Wilmington Savings and Trust Company of Wilmington, N. C. to protect Columbus County deposit, said note not to be released without a certified copy of an order of the Board of County Commissioners directing such release, and then to be released only to the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners in person and in company with each other, and only in company with each other.

Bonnie W. Hammond tendered his Bond in the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars with the New Amsterdam Casualty Company as surety for the collection of Delinquent taxes. Approved accepted and ordered recorded, all Commissioners being present and voting therefor.

Ordered: That the following General County bills be allowed

and paid:

A. W. Baldwin	Advance on July Salary	\$75.00
Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt	Supplies for Outside Poor	32.60
Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt	Stove for Outside Poor	12.00
Mae S. Rooks	Advance on July Salary	15.00
C. A. Farley	Conveying Odie Gore to Asylum	10.00
Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt	Food bought for Outside Poor	9.18
Columbus Telephone Co.	Rent & Long Distance Calls	37.65
D. L. Gore	Advance on Salary	75.00
A. S. Sasser	Serving Tax Notices	58.20
R. F. Covington	Advance on Salary	25.00
R. O. Bader	Investigating robbery case	18.92
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	2 days committee work	8.00
A. W. Baldwin	Part of July Salary	75.00
D. N. Blue & Company	Part payment on Audit	250.00
Ella Hilburn	Washing & Scrubbing at Co. Home	5.00
Willard Bowen	Cutting hair & Shaving at Co. "	2.00
H. G. Walters	Milk for County Home	2.00
C. L. Lynch	Work at McRackan Place	3.20
Charlie Baldwin	Trimming hedge at Court House	1.00
R. F. Covington	Advance on Salary	15.00
Odell Watts	Work on court yard square	1.50
J. G. McGowan	Labor at Court House & Co. Home	38.40
C. L. Lynch	Labor at Court House & Co. Home	25.60
R. F. Covington	Advance on July salary	15.00
Julian D. Lewis	Trip to Wilmington, 2 trips to Ral.	75.00
W. G. Spivey	5 yds sand for Court House	2.50
Rachel Cook	July salary	100.00
A. W. Baldwin	Expense re County Notes	7.50
N. C. Bank & Tr. Co.	Interest on \$25,000 to 7/30/31	125.00
W. J. Tate	Labor on Court House	13.50
J. G. McGowan	Labor on Court House	12.80
Cleveland Lynch	Labor on Court House	12.80
A. H. Hammonds	Labor on Court House	6.40
Vernon Thompson	Labor on Court House	3.00
Ella Hilburn	Washing & Scrubbing at Co. Home	6.00
Willard Bowen	Cutting hair & shaving at Co. Home	1.00
Hill Brothers	Ice Cream for County Home	2.30
R. B. McRoy & Co.	Supplies for County Home	66.46
Dr. W. Ross Davis	Dental work	7.50
M. F. Lowe	Registrar of Vital Statistics	36.50
I. L. Green	Registrar of Vital Statistics	20.00
W. C. Stone	Registrar of Vital Statistics	13.50
J. L. Lennon	Registrar of Vital Statistics	26.50
Mrs. B. A. Marlowe	Registrar of Vital Statistics	26.00
J. B. Waddell	Registrar of Vital Statistics	11.50
E. L. Baldwin	Registrar of Vital Statistics	39.00
J. O. Maulsby	Registrar of Vital Statistics	6.00
F. H. Britt	Registrar of Vital Statistics	19.00
Elvira D. Wooten	Registrar of Vital Statistics	20.50
H. S. High	Registrar of Vital Statistics	19.50
W. H. Shelley	Registrar of Vital Statistics	18.00
J. D. Strauss	Registrar of Vital Statistics	9.00
Tecumseh Pierce	Registrar of Vital Statistics	24.00
G. C. Hinson	Registrar of Vital Statistics	40.50
W. L. Pierce	Ribbonew for Reg. of Deeds	2.50
Garrell Brothers	Supplies for County Home	23.41
L. P. Blackman	Capturing stills, etc.	56.75
T. Willoughby	Conveying Charley Gore to Jail	4.70
O. D. Clewis	Conveying Prisoners to Jail	27.70
J. M. Hinson	Conveying Prisoners to Jail	12.60
Ed. Inman	Capturing one still	10.00
G. R. Nelson	Capturing one still	10.00
C. A. Farley	Conveying Thelma Chavis to Goldsboro	15.00
C. T. Hargrove	Conveying Prisoner to Jail	6.20
G. S. Livingston	Conveying Henry Thompson to Jail	3.05
J. D. Norment	Conveying John George to Hospital	17.00
J. M. Hinson	Capturing one still	10.00
A. S. Sasser	Capturing one still	20.00
P. H. Squires	Conveying Martha Freeman to Goldsboro	17.00
Jackson Brothers Co.	Lumber for County Home	11.67
J. E. Thompson & Co.	Rock for Court House	4.40
J. M. Hinson	Capturing still	30.00
Ed. Inman	Capturing still	10.00
L. P. Blackman	Capturing still	10.00
Miss Emiline Cleveland	Salary and Nutrition Expense	67.50
Sarah J. Williams	Salary, Home Dem. Agt.	25.00
J. P. Quinerly	Salary County Agnet	150.00
Leona C. Winesett	Salary assisting Demonstrators	35.00
Mae S. Rooks	Balance July Salary	85.00
John W. Hall	July salary	225.00
C. A. Farley	July salary	100.00
J. L. Memory	July salary	225.00
Mary Memory	July salary	100.00
Ed. Schwartz	July salary	60.00
Geo. E. Collier	July salary	200.00

E. A. Maultsby	July salary	\$75.00
Julian D. Lewis	July salary	75.00
Jackson Greer	July salary	75.00
D. L. Gore	July salary (Balance salary)	75.00
Jasper Bowen	July salary	75.00
Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt	July salary-Welfare Officer	100.00
#117 Motor Transport Co.	Appropriation for July	10.00
R. F. Covington	Bal. July salary	42.00
C. A. Farley	Support of Jail during July	230.40
Horace Shaw	Washing for Jail	1.00
Mitchell Ptg. Co.	Supplies for Reg. of Deeds	5.14
Miss Mary Lou Powell	Work on Tax Books	65.00
Miss Pauline Toon	Work on Tax Books	67.50
Mrs. H. S. Barksdale	Work on tax books	67.50
Miss Mamie Brown	Work on tax books	67.50
Mrs. Lina Horne	Work on tax books	37.50
T. M. McKenzie & Co.	Burial cases for Outside Poor	42.00
J. L. Memory, C.S.C.	Postage for July	1.72
Town of Whiteville	Water for Court House	33.50
Thompson Hardware Co.	Supplies for County Home	4.55
News Reporter Co.	Supplies	154.40
Tide Water Power Co.	Lights during July	25.87
Hyman Supply Co.	Supplies for Court House	99.19
Dow Hickman	Fresh Fish for County Home	2.00
H. C. Moffitt	Attending Pension Board Meeting	6.00
Rev. J. M. Marlowe	Attending Pension Board Meeting	9.00
McNeill's Drug Store	Drugs	19.80
H. G. Walters	Milk for County Home	1.60
W. E. Sarvis	Burial Expense of Tom Barnes	7.95
Columbus Telephone Co.	Long Distance Calls and rent	45.95
Schulken Brothers	Supplies for McRackan house	4.05
Vineland Ice Co.	Ice during July, 1931	17.68
Local Government Com.	Expense re County Notes	5.98
Columbus County News	Advertising tax notices	9.00
J. L. Powell & Co.	Fertilizer for County Home	4.50
P. H. Squires	Conveying Dudley Bracey to Jail	14.20
Oscar High	Supplies	11.90
Julian D. Lewis	10% com. on L. S. C. collected	54.04
Thomason-Ripple Lmbr.Co.	Lumber for County Home	4.36
Lockwell Smith	Expense re Miss Pency Clark	1.00
Memory Company	Supplies	7.33
D. W. Merritt	3 days on Board and mileage	15.90
J. R. Blake	1 day on Board and mileage	4.30
R. C. Benton	3 days on Board and mileage	14.70
C. D. Garrell	3 days on Board and mileage	16.50
J. C. Hooks, Sr.	4 days on Board and mileage	16.00
A. W. Baldwin	Advance on August Salary	100.00
R. F. Covington	Advance on August Salary	60.00
Mrs. Agnes Barnhardt	Supplies for Outside Poor	33.99
Tide Water Power Comp.	Lights for Jail	5.41
J. O. Williamson, Jr.	Loan on house and lot in Chadbourn	286.07
Cleve Lynch	Shearing & trimming feet of mules	3.00
R. F. Covington	Advance on August salary	30.00
W. J. Tate	Labor at Court House	24.75
A. H. Hammonds	Labor at Court House	12.80
W. J. Tate, Jr.	Labor at Court House	3.75
Cleve Lynch	Labor at Court House	2.40
Mae S. Rooks	Advance on August salary	40.00
Insolvent Fees		81.15
Outside Poor		<u>310.00</u>

Ordered: That the following General Road vouchers be allowed

and paid:

W. J. Tate	Collecting road machinery	\$36.00
A. H. Hammonds	Collecting road machinery	6.40
H. C. Brown	Collecting road machinery	3.20
W. L. Beasley	Collecting road machinery	14.40
Vernon Thompson	Collecting road machinery	18.00
R. J. Boswell	Collecting road machinery	15.00
J. G. McGowan	Collecting road machinery	25.60
Lowe Marlowe	Collecting road machinery	1.75
Pearl Graham	Collecting road machinery	2.00
Jim Hardee	Collecting road machinery	1.50
Coy Fowler	Collecting road machinery	1.50
W. J. Tate	Collecting road machinery	10.00
W. L. Beasley	Labor at County Garage	6.40
W. J. Tate	Collecting road machinery	54.00
A. H. Hammond	Collecting road machinery	16.00
Vernon Thompson	Collecting road machinery	34.50
Casey Baldwin	Collecting road machinery	7.50
W. J. Tate, Jr.	Collecting road machinery	5.00
Pearl Graham	Collecting road machinery	2.00

W. J. Tate	Collecting road machinery	4.50
A. H. Hammonds	Collecting road machinery	6.40
Tide Water Power Co.	Lights for County Garage	<u>7.88</u>

Ordered: That the following Chain Gang bill be allowed and paid:

McGougan Electric Co.	Supplies for Chain Gang	\$3.40
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Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund W. G. Paulding in Whiteville Township for the year 1930 on \$400.00 valuation on account of error in valuation of trucks.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Bank of Chadbourn in Chadbourn Township for the year 1930 on \$9,232.00. This was Corporate Excess tax ordered cancelled by State Department of Revenue.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Mary Freeman in Bolton Township for the year 1930 on account of over valuation on cows.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund Mrs. Lola Etheridge in Lees Township for the year 1930 \$2.00 dog tax on account of error in listing dogs.

Ordered: That the Tax Collector refund S. N. Teddar in Bogue Township for the year 1930 \$2.00 poll tax on account of his being a disabled World War Veteran.

Ordered: That H. L. Strickland in Cerro Gordo Township for the year 1930 on \$2,456.00, charged in Cerro Gordo District at 30¢ instead of Gapway # 8 at 10¢.

Ordered: That G. A. Powell & A. G. Floyd in Cerro Gordo Township be refunded on \$4500.00 valuation for the year 1930 reducing valuation to \$1500.00 by order of Board June 15, 1931.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time adjournment was voted in order until August 18, 1931.

Approved:

W. B. Baldwin Clerk

J. C. ... Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office August 18, 1931, 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 J. R. Blake seconded by R. C. Benton, that no bills be paid by the County only on first Mondays.

Ordered: That the Tax Supervisor be notified to fill out 1931 tax receipts and make quarterly payment receipts on all taxes instead of excepting taxes under twenty dollars as per order formerly passed.

Ordered: That the Board of Education be permitted to include in their Budget not to exceed \$450.00 for the purpose of adding two rooms to the New Hope School, providing the Board of Education consolidates Sugar Berry, Antioch and Pleasant Plains with New Hope. It is further ordered provided the three buildings are torn down that they be used as far as possible towards building the two rooms to New Hope School if they should be needed. Yes, Blake, Benton, Garrell; No, Merritt. Hooks not voting.

Ordered: That A. W. Baldwin, Auditor, notify N. C. Bank & Trust Company to release and deliver to Farmers and Merchants Bank \$5,000.00 securities deposited as Bond for Township Road funds.

Bonnie W. Hammond, Deputy Tax Collector tendered his Bond in the sum of One Thousand(\$1,000.00) Dollars with the New Amsterdam Causalty Company as sureties, approved accepted and ordered recorded. All Commissioners being present and voting therefor.

Leon P. Blackman, Troy C. Boswell, Calvin T. Hargrove, Martin V. Hilburn, John M. Hinson and Everett L. Watts tendered their joint Bond in the sum of \$1000.00 each with the Fidelity and Causalty Company of New York as sureties, approved, accepted and ordered recorded, all Commissioners being present and voting therefor.

Ordered: That the State Highway Commission be given the privilege

of leasing certain County property East of the County Home property and on the East side of the road known as the Whiteville and Pine Log road for a period of five years, with the privilege at the expiration of said lease of leasing same for another period of five years. It is understood that there is to be no charge for the use of said property.

Ordered: That the Eastern half of the present Garage building located near the County Home and known as the County Garage be turned over to the State Highway Commission for its use, so long as the same is used as a State Highway Garage under the present State Road Law. It is understood that the County Board of Education will have for its use the Western half of said garage together with the shed. The State Highway Commission is to have sufficient space adjoining garage to park whatever trucks may be on the grounds for repairs.

Ordered: That for a valuable consideration, Columbus County hereby transfers its bid to O. H. Baldwin and wife, Lizzie Baldwin.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, adjournment was voted in order until Tuesday, August 25, 1931.

Approved:

A. W. Baldwin

Clerk

J. C. Hooks Sr

Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office August 25, 1931, 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: