

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned until Monday August 6, 1945.

Approved:

M. K. Fuller
Clerk

J. L. Robinson
Chairman

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office August 6, 1945, it being first Monday. Members of the Board present:

J.L. Robinson, Chairman

A.W. Williamson

J.A. Hooks

W.L. Hobbs

L.P. Ward

M.K. Fuller, Clerk

The following business was transacted:

Ordered: that Mr. H.S. Allen be allowed to settle taxes listed to S. Mitchel Heirs, Ransom Township, for years 1928 thru 1944 on the 1945 valuation of \$980.00 and that said taxes due for 1937 and prior years be allowed settled at par plus 6% and 1/2 Court Cost.

Ordered: that 85 ~~acre~~ tract of land valued at \$575.00 listed to H.A. Rankin, Bogue Township, for year 1935 thru 1945, inclusive, be cancelled and the Tax Collector be refunded therefor and that the remainder of the taxes due be allowed paid by Ollie Barefoot and that 1937 and prior years be allowed settled at 6% flat and one-half the Court Cost.

Ordered: that C.W. Smith taxes in Bolton Township for years 1922 thru 1936 be allowed settled on the 1945 valuation of \$130.00 and settled at par plus 6% and 1/2 Court Cost.

Ordered: that 1945 poll listed to E.L. Freeman, Bolton Township be cancelled and Tax Collector refunded therefor due to physical disability.

Upon motion, it is ordered that Tax Sales Certificates for all years and all Uncollected Personal Property and other taxes for the year 1939 and subsequent years, which uncollected items have a total face or par value of \$163,212.06 as at July 1, 1945, be charged to the present Tax Collector Mr. W.D. Brooks. It is further ordered, the uncollected personal property taxes for the years 1930 to 1938, both inclusive, which have a total face or par value of \$62,335.46 heretofore allowed as insolvents be delivered to the County Auditor for further handling as may be directed by the Board.

Commissioner J.A. Hooks introduced the following order authorizing County bonds, which was read:

ORDER AUTHORIZING \$47,000 SCHOOL
BUILDING BONDS

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Columbus County has certified to this Board a resolution passed by said Board of Education on August 6, 1945, showing that it is necessary in order to maintain the constitutional six months' school term to provide the following school improvements in Columbus County:

Erect and equip a new high school building or annex at the Old Dock-Nakina School, the estimated cost of which is \$35,000,

Erect and equip a gymnasium at the Hallsboro school, the estimated cost of which is \$10,000, and

Erect and equip a gymnasium at the Evergreen School, the estimated cost of which is \$10,000;

and

WHEREAS, said resolution represents that \$4,000 is available from a loan from the State Literary Fund to erect a gymnasium at the Hallsboro School and that \$4,000 is available from a loan from said Fund to erect a gymnasium at the Evergreen School; and

WHEREAS, said resolution represents that no other funds are now available and no provision has been made by local tax by which the said school improvements can be provided and requests this Board to order and issue a sufficient amount of County bonds in order that said school improvements may be provided; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners has carefully examined the facts and has determined and hereby finds as a fact that said statements of said resolution are true and that it has become the duty of said Board of Commissioners, acting as an administrative agent of the State in providing a State System of Public schools, to order the issuance of a sufficient amount of County bonds to provide said school improvements in order to maintain the Constitutional six months' school term; now, therefore

BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus:

1. That bonds of Columbus County be issued, pursuant to the County Finance Act, as amended, in an amount not exceeding \$47,000 for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the cost of providing school improvements mentioned in the first preamble hereof in order to maintain the constitutional six months' school term in Columbus County.

2. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually levied and collected.

3. That a statement of the County debt has been filed with the Clerk and is open to public inspection.

4. That this order shall take effect thirty days after the first publication thereof after final passage, unless in the meantime a petition for its

submission to the voters is filed under said Act and that in such event it shall take effect when approved by the voters of the County at an election as provided in said Act.

The Board thereupon designated the County Accountant as the officer to file with the Clerk the statement of debt and assessed valuation required by the County Finance Act to be filed before the final passage of the bond order this day introduced.

Thereupon the County Accountant filed with the Clerk, in the presence of the Board, the statement of debt and assessed valuation as required by Section 13 of the County Finance Act.

The order authorizing \$47,000 School Building Bonds was thereupon passed on first reading.

And thereupon the Board fixed 2:30 o'clock, P.M., August 21, 1945, as the hour and date for the public hearing as required by Section 16 of the County Finance Act, and directed the Clerk to publish the bond order which had been introduced this day, together with the appended note as required by Section 16 of said Act, in the News Reporter, not later than the 10th day before said date.

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Ordered: that the County Accountant be instructed and authorized to transfer from undistributed 1945 Prepaid taxes the sum of \$4,500.00 to the Whiteville City School General Fund and \$500.00 to the Whiteville City School Vocational Education Fund, and that said advances are to be deducted in subsequent 1945 tax distributions as said levy is collected.

Ordered: that the County Accountant be instructed and authorized to open a new and separate account with the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company., County Depository, which account shall be called the Columbus County Schools Undistributed Current Expense Fund. It is further ordered that funds for school current Expense shall be deposited therein, which are Fines, Forfeitures and Penalties deposited by the Clerk of Superior Court, Mayors and Justice of the Peace and advalorem taxes deposited by the Tax Collector in his monthly distribution. And it is further ordered that the County Accountant shall monthly distribute the funds accumulated in the Columbus County School Undistributed Current Expense Fund in accordance with the per Capita enrollment percentage for the County unit and the Whiteville city units by the issuance of a check on said account signed by the Chairman of the Board, Clerk to the Board and countersigned by the County Accountant.

Ordered: that delinquent Tax Collector J.L. Davis, be allowed 10% Commissions on 1944 personal taxes collected by him until September 1st.

Ordered: that the Sheriff summon the following good and lawful men to serve as juror at the August term of Court, 1945.

Bogue	J.W. Pierce Sr. Garland Ward Clarence Jackson Charlie Crawford
Bolton	S.A. Dowless Jr. W.H. Barefoot O.B. Davis
Bug Hill	R.L.H. Gore J.C. Gore L.E. Reaves
Cerro Gordo	Neil M. Greene C.R. Turbeville J.J. Powell Willie Strickland
Chadbourn	N.B. Stephens Walter R. Davis B.H. Collier W.J. Tate, Jr.
Fair Bluff	Dempsey Coleman D.M. Miller Charlie C. Nobles
Lees	D.G. Formy Duval Henry Long J.K. Best
Ransom	Max Mayers E.M. Peterson W.L. Rawls
Tatum	D.D. Nance Macon W. Shaw Andrew Shaw
Waccamaw	L.W. Chauncey Jr. J.A. Singletary
Welches Creek	W.E. Barnhill J.M. Baldwin J.H. High
Western Prong	M.W. Pridgen Harley Brown
Williams	Dennis Williams W. E. Edwards Zeno Ray A.M. Godwin
South Williams	N.A. Fipps E.A. Wright Yancey Nobles R.B. McKee
Whiteville	E.A. White Jess Thompson Henry Schroeder Louis F. Ward."

 Ordered: that the following refunds be granted:

E.L. Freeman	To Cancel Poll Tax as per order of Board 8-6-45	1945 Taxes	2.00
C.W. Smith	To Adjust Taxes as per order of Board 8-6-45	1922 "	10.49
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1926 "	17.08
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1927 "	10.72
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1928 "	8.48
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1929 "	6.28
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1930 "	6.54
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1931 "	5.08
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1932 "	8.20
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1933 "	4.90
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1934 "	7.56
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1935 "	7.63
C.W. Smith	" " " " " "	1936 "	2/94

Ordered: that the following General County bills be allowed

and paid, (Nos. 17 thru 138)

M.K. Fuller	To July	Salary - Purchasing Agent & Auditor, travel	250.80
E.K. Proctor	"	- County Attorney	98.50
Venie Harrelson	"	- Tax Supervisor	136.90
W.D. Brooks	"	- Tax Collector	264.20
Joanne Baldwin	"	- Assisting Tax Collector	101.00
Leona C. Quinerly	"	- " "	140.20
A.B. Brady	"	- Tax Attorney	145.20
H.D. Stanley	"	- Sheriff	268.80
W.H. Bullard	"	- Assisting Sheriff	212.80
L.R. Wayne	"	- " " & Travel.	217.80
Horace Shaw	"	- Fingerprint Expert & Mileage	123.50
Bertha Long	"	- Assisting Auditor	140.20
A.M. Auger	"	- Janitor	116.80
Leo L. Fisher	"	- Register of Deeds	252.20
Anna Belle Lane	"	- Assisting Register of Deeds	141.00
Gladys G. Wooten	"	- " "	108.50
Kathleen Hayes	"	- " "	101.00
Annie Lou Cowan	"	- County Home Keeper	88.50
Lou Sibbett	"	- Worker at County Home	35.00
Jane Bass	"	- " "	35.00
Rosier Williams	"	- County Farm Supt	50.00
McAddo Williams	"	- " Farmer	100.00
Johnsler R. Nunn	"	- Welfare Officer & Mileage	249.75
Frances H. Elliott	"	- Caseworker & Mileage	159.37
Mrs. Richard E. Weaver	"	- Assisting Welfare Officer	112.70
Margaret Lee McDaniel	"	- " "	81.00
A.E. Powell, Postmaster	"	- To Postage - Welfare Office	30.00
J.P. Quinerly	"	- Ass't Farm Agent	98.50
Hazel Soles	"	- Assisting Farm Agent	101.00
Kyard Brown	"	- " "	15.00
C.D. Raper	"	- County Farm Agent	145.20
Genevieve Eakes	"	- Home Dem Agent	88.50
Dorothy Davis	"	- Clerical Assistance A.A.A.	13.00
Marie C. Collier	"	- " "	64.50
Mrs. Allyn Smith	"	- " "	13.00
Mabel B. Townsend	"	- Ass't C.S.C.	168.60
W.E. Harrelson	"	- Judge of Rec. Court	165.20
Joe W. Brown	"	- Prosecuting Atty	145.20
R.M. Garrell & W.B. Roberts	"	- Error overpayment #1408 So. Wms	35.16
J.L. Robinson	"	- Board meetings & Mileage	12.00
A.W. Williamson	"	- " "	13.00
J.A. Hooks	"	- " "	10.40
W.L. Hobbs	"	- " "	16.00
L.P. Ward	"	- " "	13.20
Kate O. Gilmore	"	- 4 days work on Tax Books	14.00
Lois F. Lewis	-26	" "	89.80
Reba R. Mercer	- 4	" "	14.00
Myrtle Nance	- 4	" "	14.00
Bessie Powell	-4	" "	14.00
Mary Williamson	- 8	" "	28.00
Elizabeth N. Worley	- 4	" "	14.00
The News Reporter Co., Inc.	"	- July Account	97.40
W.D. Brooks	"	- To Reimbursements	15.25
J.L. Davis, Deputy Tax Collector	"	- Commissions on Tax Collections	323.77
M.K. Fuller,	"	- To Reimbursement - Petty Cash Fund	131.33
M.K. Fuller,	"	- " "	.80
Business Equipment Co	"	- To Repairs to Adding Machine	6.80
Oscar High	"	- To Account to Date	123.32
The Selig Company	"	- To 2 Cs Rolled Towels	10.62
Kay Chemical Co	"	- To Duster & Refill	4.24
Tide Water Power Co	"	- To Light Account	101.50
Mrs. George C. Greene	"	- To 10 days Assisting Reg. of Deeds	35.00
Keys Printing Co	"	- To Invoice No. 83374	7.61
Joe D. Sikes	"	- " Investigation - C Singletary	5.00
Paul B. Avant	"	- " Investigations & Inquest	
		- Eloise W. Kirksey etal	74.20
Mrs. J.P. Quinerly	"	- " Clerical Assistance- "	6.00
Sig Smith	"	- " Inquest - Eloise W. Kirksey	3.00
James B. Lattay	"	- " " "	3.00
K.M. Holmes	"	- " " "	3.00
J.P. Long	"	- " " "	3.00
C.R. Singletary	"	- " " "	3.00
John Lewis	"	- " " "	3.00
Ballard Fore	"	- " " - Geo. Polite	3.00
D.M. Carter Jr	"	- " " "	3.00
C.V. Fipps	"	- " " "	3.00
J.W. Hughes	"	- " " "	3.00
Howard Jenkins	"	- " " "	3.00
A.J. Nobles	"	- " " "	3.00
J.P. Quinerly	"	- " " - Jeff Randall etal	19.00
Leona C. Quineerly	"	- " " - Pink Evans	3.00

R.R. Jordan	- To Inquest - Pink Evans	3.00
S.M. Hinson	- " "	3.00
F.B. Foster	- " "	3.00
Coy Barefoot	- " "	3.00
J.T. Stanley	- " "	3.00
F.B. Hill	- " "	3.00
Sam Weaver	- " - Jeff Randell	3.00
John Wallace	- " "	3.00
Pete Holden	- " "	3.00
Rocky Smith	- " "	3.00
H.T. Hood	- " "	3.00
Leder Brothers	- Clothing for prisoner.	12/36
J.C. Lennon	- To July Account	53.25
Worrell Mfg Co	- Invoice No.9595	103.05
Schulken's	- To July Account	3.20
Floyd-Barkley Agency	- To 5 Bags Fish Meal	25.00
H.H. Horton & Son	- To Repairs	7.00
W.B. Hobbs	- To Roofing, Felt and Nails	52.90
F.C.X. Service	- To July Account	23.15
Mrs. M.A. Waddell	- To Welfare Board Meeting & Mileage	7.00
K. Clyde Council	- " "	6.20
Storr Engraving Co	- To July Account	35.90
Western Union	- To Telegrams	/38
The News Reporter Co.,	- To July Account	7.60
Columbus Telephone Co	- " "	6.50
Capital Printing Co	- " "	2.85
A.F. Powell Jr.	- To Rent - Seed Loan Office	20.00
Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co	- Withholding Tax for July '45	524.00
S.Preston Douglas	- Partial Payment on Audit	500.00
M.K. Fuller,	- To Reimbursement	.70
A.M. Auger	- " "	4 70
Earl Thomas	- To Inquest - Jeff Randell	3.00
Rosier Williams	- To July Support of Jail	315.40
Columbus Cold Storage Co	- To Services	19.07
Columbus Telephone Co	- To Telephone Account	55.40
Columbus County News., Inc	- To July Account	39.50
Town of Whiteville	- July Water Account	22.70
The Columbus County News	- Purchase 14,500 Postal Cards - Tax Notices	145.00
Scarborough Builders Supply Co	- To Lumbar Account	115.43
M.K. Fuller,	- Reimbursements - Petty Cash Fund	61.75
Court Insolvents		27.45
OutDoor Poor	- Monthly Allotments	57.00

Ordered: that the Chairman and Clerk be authorized to sign Bond Interest & Redemption Fund Voucher in the amount of \$ 2,770.17 to pay debt service due September 1, 1945:

		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Exchange</u>
3-1-39	County Hospital 3½%	\$2,000.00	\$490.00	\$3.23
3-1-39	County Hospital 3¼%		276.25	.69
Total:		\$2,000.00	\$766.25	\$3.92

On motion of Commissioners J.A. Hooks, seconded by Commissioner W.L. Hobbs, it is order that State offer for Negro agent be accepted with the understanding that no expense be to County, other than office rental for agent. A. W. Williamson votes No.

Upon motion meeting was adjourned until Tuesday August 21, 1945.

Approved:

M. J. Fuller
Clerk

J. L. Robinson
Chairman