

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their office, Nov. 29, 1954, at 7:30 according to adjournment.

The Chairman announced that they would go to the Columbus County Hospital to convene with the Board of Trustees of Columbus County Hospital, Inc.

The following members were present:

L. P. Ward, Chairman

Lacy R. Thompson

Charles R. Council

W. B. Buffkin

L. P. Stephens

Alice S. Burns, Clerk

On motion of Commissioner Council, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and carried it is ordered that the following lease be signed by the Chairman and Clerk to Board and thereafter recorded in the office of The Register of Deeds:

NORTH CAROLINA

COLUMBUS COUNTY

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 29th day of November, 1954, by and between Columbus County, acting by and through L. P. Ward, W. B. Buffkin, Lacy Thompson, L. P. Stephens, and C.R. Council, Commissioners of Columbus County, parties of the first part, and the Columbus County Hospital, Incorporated, party of the second part;

WITNESSETH:

That the parties of the first part in consideration of the party of the second part agreeing to operate the hospital upon the property hereinafter described and to pay into the treasury of Columbus County, ^{ANY} and all profits that may arise from such operation after paying for improvements and additions, provided that no buildings shall be added without the consent of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and in further consideration of one dollar to them in hand paid, the receipts of which is hereby acknowledged, and the party of the second part agrees that a certified public accountant shall annually audit the books of the party of the second part, said certified public accountant to be selected by the party of the second part but subject to the approval of the parties of the first part and that a certified copy of the audit report shall annually be filed with the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, that the Board of Trustees of the party of the second part shall have an annual meeting with the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County at the

time the audit report is submitted, that the membership of the Board of Trustees of the party of the second part shall be not less than seven (7) and that at least one member thereof shall reside in each county commissioner's district or zone and that said trustee shall receive no compensation as such, and in consideration thereof the said parties of the first part hereby bargain, lease and grant to the party of the second part, without power of subletting or assignment, for the period of ten (10) years from the first day of December, 1954, the following described property, real and personal, in the County of Columbus, State of North Carolina, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land situated in the Town of Whiteville, at the intersection of Thompson Street with Jefferson Street in said town, and acquired by Columbus County by purchase from W. E. Miller and others and fully described in a deed from said Miller to the County of Columbus, together with all buildings, equipment and appliances connected with or used in connection with the hospital and nurses' home situate thereon, said equipment consisting of all personal property belonging to Columbus County now located on said property or used in connection therewith, as well as all equipment, instruments and other personal property that may be furnished for the full equipment of said hospital property and useful and necessary for the proper operation thereof for hospital purposes. The party of the second part, in accepting this lease agrees that all personal property purchased by it and used in connection with the operation of the hospital and nurses' home as well as all replacements thereof is and shall be and remain the property of Columbus County subject to the terms of this lease.

To have and to hold said land and property to the said party of the second part without right of subletting or assignment for the aforesaid period, and upon the conditions hereinbefore recited and with the further condition that this contract of rental shall terminate upon the party of the second part failing to abide by the terms hereof or refusing to operate said hospital, or if the same shall be discontinued in its operation for an unreasonable time.

The lessor agrees that the lessee shall enjoy said premises during said term free from the adverse claims of any person and to keep the premises in good repair and supplied with sufficient equipment for the successful operation of a hospital for the care and treatment of proper cases for

hospitalization for the citizens of Columbus County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Commissioners of Columbus County, pursuant to an order duly entered of record at a special meeting of the commissioners of Columbus County at which meeting all of the commissioners were present and acted throughout on the 29th day of November, 1954, duly authorizing the Chairman of the Board and Secretary to execute this lease in duplicate originals in the name of the county, the Chairman of said Board and Secretary have this 29th day of November, 1954, caused the name of Columbus County to be affixed hereto and witnessed by the secretary of the Board and the seal of the County, and attested by the signature of the chairman of said Board, all in pursuance to said order and on said date, and in testimony whereof, the said Columbus County Hospital Incorporated, has caused this instrument to be signed in duplicate originals, in its corporate name by its President and attested by its Secretary, and sealed with its common corporate seal, on the day and year first above written.

Witness: COLUMBUS COUNTY (SEAL)

/s/ Alice S. Burns
Secretary of the Board of
Commissioners of Columbus County

By /s/ L. P. Ward (SEAL)
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners
of Columbus County

Attest: COLUMBUS COUNTY HOSPITAL, INCORPORATED

/s/ J. L. Robinson (Asst.)
Its Secretary

By /s/ E. L. Vinson
Its President

NORTH CAROLINA
COLUMBUS COUNTY

This 29th day of November, 1954, personally came before me, Jewel W. Dunivant, Asst. Clerk of Superior Court of Columbus County, Alice S. Burns, who being by me duly sworn, says that she knows the official seal of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and is acquainted with L. P. Ward, who is Chairman of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and that she, the said Alice S. Burns, is the Secretary of the said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, and saw the said Chairman sign the foregoing instrument, and saw the said official seal of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County affixed to said instrument by the attestation of the execution of the said instrument in the presence of said Chairman of said Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, all by order of said Board.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 29th day of November, 1954.

/s/ Jewel W. Dunivant
Asst. Clerk of Superior Court

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COLUMBUS COUNTY

This 29th day of November, 1954, personally came before me Elizabeth J. Teboe, a notary public, E. L. Vinson, who, being by me, duly sworn, says that he is president of the Columbus County Hospital, Incorporated, and that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument in writing is the corporate seal of the corporation, and that said writing was signed and sealed by him in behalf of said corporation by its authority duly given. And the said E. L. Vinson acknowledged the said writing to be the act and deed of said corporation.

Witness my hand and seal.

/s/ Elizabeth J. Teboe (SEAL)
Notary Public

My commission expires 3-8-55

Ordered: that order passed on Nov. 17, 1954, and recorded in Minute Book No. 13 page 564, withdrawing budget appropriation for 3 deputies in Sheriff's Dept. be rescinded, thereby restoring budget appropriation to cover 3 deputies as the newly proposed list of deputies appears to be distributed to serve the county.

The following bids for painting upstairs apartment at county home building were opened and read:

S. P. Stanley, Jr.	\$424.00
W. J. Phillips	540.00

On motion of Commissioner Council, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, and carried the bids were tabled and work of painting the above described apartment was postponed indefinitely.

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned until Dec. 6, 1954.

Approved:

Alice L. Burns
Clerk

L. H. Ward
Chairman