

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., January 15, 1973, it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

E. W. Williamson, Chairman

Donald Currie

T. E. Burns

Mayo Brown

W. B. Buffkin

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order and the invocation was given by Rev. Philip Sieck, Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian Church.

The following business was transacted:

Ordered: that the Columbus County Library Board be permitted to dispose of the old bookmobile.

Ordered: that the Columbus County Members attending the C. O. G. Executive Meeting cast their vote in favor of the Communications System Project which will change the law enforcement radio system to UHF from the presently used VHF.

Ordered: that tax listing be extended through March 1, 1973, in the office of the Tax Supvr. in Whiteville.

Ordered: that the Salary of Horace L. Shaw be paid through January.

Ordered: that the following taxes be released upon the recommendation of the Tax Supvr.'s Office:

Taxes listed in the name of McIver Spaulding Heirs, Welches Creek Township, be cancelled for the years 1965 through 1971 due to double listing.

Taxes listed in the name of Super Motor Lines, Inc., Chadbourn Township, be cancelled for the year 1972 due to a clerical error.

Taxes listed in the name of James Curtis Jackson be released for 1971/due to double listing in Whiteville Township of property valued at \$180.00. & 1972

Ordered: that a refund be given to James Curits Jackson for taxes paid for the year 1970, Whiteville Township, due to double listing in the amount of \$3.42.

Ordered: that the Revenue Sharing check received in January 1973 be invested as follows:

\$100,000.00	C. D. - Southern National Bank of N. C., Chadbourn - for 6mos.
\$100,000.00	C. D. - First Union National Bank, Fair Bluff - " "
\$140,049.00	C. D. - Southern National Bank of N. C., Tabor City- " 3 mos.

Ordered: that telegrams be sent to Congressman Rose and Helms, Senator Ervin, and State Commissioner of Agriculture Graham protesting the planned loan of \$12,000,000.00 to Zambia from the World Bank to produce flu-cured tobacco.

The newly appointed Committee for Columbus County Solid Waste Disposal met with the Board to make plans to visit other counties with regards to a county-wide refuse collection and sanitary landfill disposal for Columbus County. Mr. Terry Dover from the Fay-

Fayetteville Regional ~~State~~ Board of Health gave a presentation of recommendations and suggestions which were very informative to the Committee. Based upon this meeting a request is to be sent to Sidney Usry, Chief, Solid Waste Disposal, Raleigh, asking that the Solid Waste Disposal Plan presented by the Council of Governments for Columbus County in July be up-dated to coincide with the ideas and recommendations presented by Mr. Dover. This request is made so that the Columbus County Board can act and get this program underway as soon as possible. The Committee is also to visit Union and Stanley Counties as soon as arrangements are made to gather information that will be helpful to the Board in making decisions on implementing the System in this county.

A report was given by Mr. Griffin, Tax Collector, on the amount of taxes collected through December 31, 1972. The percentage collected as of this report was 78.63% which is above last year 's collections of 73.94%. The Board commended Mr. Griffin on a job well done.

Dr. Douglas, Mr. McKee and Mr. Marcinko of the Regional Mental Health Center gave a report on the services of the Center to Columbus County. Dr. Douglas stated the purpose of appearing before the Board at this time is to find out if Columbus County wishes to continue to participate in their program for another year as they are applying for federal grants which would be affected if the County did not continue with them. Dr. Douglas also stated he had contacted New Hanover County as to the possibility of Columbus County becoming a part of their Center, but the Director said they could not offer any services to Columbus County at this time. Columbus County is in the planning region with New Hanover County. The Board is to reply by March 1, 1973.

Ordered: that Commissioner Brown be appointed as the voting delegate for Columbus County at the meeting of the Association of County Commissioners in Fayetteville, January 19th.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until February 5, 1973, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene M. Suggs
Clerk

Edward Williamson
Chairman