

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., January 7, 1974, it being first Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Donald P. Currie, Chairman

Mayo Brown

E. W. Williamson

W. B. Buffkin

T. E. Burns (Absent)

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order and the invocation was given by the Reverend G. B. Vaughn, Pastor, Faith Baptist Church, Whiteville.

The following business was transacted:

Ordered: that an 8' x 8' building be built at the landfill to be used by the employees to get out of unfavorable weather while working at the landfill.

Ordered: that an increase be made in the Budget of the Civil Preparedness on the following items: Travel - Increase \$300.00 and Telephone & Postage - Increase \$360.00.

Ordered: that Mr. Griffin check on the cost of painting the Mental Health Offices in the County Hall and have the work done at a reasonable cost.

Ordered: that the brick sample shown the Board by Mr. Clontz be used in the renovation and repair of the Ward Building.

Ordered: that the following tax releases be made upon the recommendation of the Tax Supervisor: That the 1973 late listing penalty in the name of Thomas Strickland, Cerro Gordo Township, be released due to an error in the Supervisor's Office.

That the 1973 taxes listed in the name of Roscoe Soles, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$4180 due to a clerical error in the valuation of the building.

That the 1973 taxes listed in the name of Four Oaks Mobile Homes, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$1580, due to double listing to Doris Pridgen.

That the 1973 late listing penalty in the name of HARold Leon Norman, South Williams Township, be released due to an error in listing.

Ordered: that the attached schedule be used in making "present use value" appraisals for Columbus County for 1974. Notice of schedule is to be published in the local paper for inspection by the public in the office of the Tax Supervisor.

A letter was presented to the Board from Miss Mildred Griffin stating that she could not serve as Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee. upon motion of Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Brown, Wray Thompson was duly appointed to serve as Chairman of said Committee.

Dr. J. R. Black met with the Board to inform them of revisions that had been made in the reorganization of the Health Department beginning in January 1974. The Board is to appoint four additional local Health Board members and appoint a person to fill the expired term of a member who is to be a doctor. A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Buffkin, and duly passed to delay the appointment of these members until the next meeting.

Mr. Cecil Edwards gave a very favorable report on the activities of the Dog Warden during the month of December. He also stated the recommendations of the State Veterinarian had been met.

A letter was presented to the Board from the County Humane Society requesting that the time to hold dogs picked up by the Warden be held five days instead of three, and that the County Dog Warden pick up dogs in the City of Whiteville. These matters were discussed and the following order was passed:

Ordered: that the holding time for dogs in the dog pound be a minimum of three days and the Dog Warden use his own judgement in holding dogs for a longer period of time. No action was passed on the other request.

Ordered: that the following general county bills be allowed and paid:

Southern National Bank of N.C.	Federal Income Tax Withheld = December (4286)	6,033.80
N.C. Local Governmental Retirement	Retirement December	8,551.01
Mrs. Novella Williams	SFHF Boarding Home Care	100.00
Mrs. Mamie Patrick	Boarding Home Care	85.00
Central Orphanage of N.C.	Boarding Home Care	160.00
Mrs. Randolph McCallister	Boarding Home Care	85.00
Mrs. Henry D. Hill	Boarding Home Care	170.00
Mrs. Louvie I. Hinson	Boarding Home Care	85.00
Mrs. Ned Boswell	Boarding Home Care	340.00
Mrs. Horace Rich, Sr.	Boarding Home Care	425.00
Donald Currie	Meetings & Conferendes - December	244.80
W. B. Buffkin	Meetings & Conferences	132.00
Mayo Brown	Meetings & Conferences	164.40
Public Safety Commission	Salaries, Supplies, Insurance, Misc.	11,846.98
N.C. Public Employees	Social Security for 4th Quarter	17,365.95
N.C. Dept. of Revenue	N.C. Income Tax - 4th Quarter	3,973.23
Tip Top Florist	Account for Commissioners	11.15
Simmons Drug Company	Account for Various Offices	20.80
The Michie Company	Account for Governing Body & Court (4304)	296.40
Doris Johnson	Canvas Day	11.25
Eloise Byrd	81 Registration Applications	40.50
Melvin Long	2 Registration Applications	1.00
Dorothy Suggs	24 Registration Applications	12.00
E. M. Herren	10 Registration Applications	5.00
Wilbur Ray Chestnutt	5 Registration Applications	2.50
H. B. Johnson	17 Registration Applications	8.50
Annie Mae Mayes	4 Registration Applications	2.00
Sarah Heye	23 Registration Applications	11.50
Tucker Ward	70 Registration Applications	35.50
Roscoe Enzor	11 Registration Applications	5.50
Chester Stevens	1 Registration Application	.50
Roland C. Norris	9 Registration Applications	4.50
Allie Simmons	2 Registration Applications	1.00
Doris Butler	5 Registration Applications	2.50
L. V. Connor, Jr.	78 Registration Applications	39.00
George B. Nance	5 Registration Applications	2.50
Thomas Hobbs	5 Registration Applications	2.50
Mrs. E. W. Stanley	4 Registration Applications	2.00
J. L. Stanley	17 Registration Applications	8.50
Elizabeth Baldwin	3 Registration Applications	1.50
Edna Ripple	6 Registration Applications	3.00
Doris Lennon	10 Registration Applications	5.00
Annie Baldwin	3 Registration Applications	1.50
Leo Worley	2 Registration Applications	1.00
Herman Thompson	3 Registration Applications	1.50
Reyge Johnson	Travel	62.80
Bagg & Griffin, Inc.	10 Un-pack Single Stall Voting Booths (4332)	638.04
Burroughs Corporation	Account for Various Offices	262.10
Uptown Office Supplies	Account for Various Offices	189.65
Victor Comptometer Corp.	Maintenance Contracts	114.00
National Cash Register	Maintenance Contract Posting Machine	40.00
Monroe Division	Tax Collector Account	51.00
Columbus County News	Tax Collector Account	84.00
Atlantic Publishing Co.	Account for various Offices	423.18
Gray & Creech, Inc.	Register of Deeds Account	247.04
City of Whiteville	Account for Various Offices	104.62
Whiteville Plumbing Co.	Courthouse Account	74.97
Dover Elevator Co.	Courthouse Account	30.50
James Lynn Company	Courthouse & Annex Account	125.00
Court Square Store	Courthouse Account	9.01
Hyatt Exterminating	Account for Various Offices	32.00
Memory's Supermarket	Account Governing Body & Courthouse	16.29
Martha Smith	Supplies for Christmas Party	5.57
Hyatt Exterminating	Soil Cons. & License Bldg., Soc. Ser. Bldg. (4349)	3,268.00

Whiteville Plumbing Company	Account for A.S.C. Bldg	(4350)	211.49
Rose's Stores, Inc.	Account for Courthouse		2.06
Harvey Williams, D.S.	December Travel		62.70
Broadcast & Communications	Account Sheriff & Civil Defense		279.36
Harrison Typewriter	Account Sheriff & Social Services		56.05
Ralph's Alignment	Account Sheriff's Dept.		50.25
A. L. Ben Duke	Reinbursement for 4 License Tags		8.00
Memory Twins Service Sta.	Gas Sheriff's Dept. December		446.27
King Photo	Account Sheriff & Extension Service		25.55
Nowell's	Clothing Allowance for Sheriff		350.00
National Sheriff's Assoc.	Membership Dues & Acc. Death Insurance	(4360)	17.50
Hub's Auto Supply	Account Sheriff's Dept.		9.74
Ashley Electric	Wiring Gas Pumps, Jail - 1/2 Sheriff's Dept.		100.82
Dewey Strickland	Installing 2 Gas Pumps - 1/2 Sheriff's Dept.		263.78
Jimmy Norris Heating & A.C.	2 Service Calls Jail		106.10
Town of Bolton	Rent for Magistrate's Office		60.00
Town of Fair Bluff	Rent for Magistrate's Office		75.00
Williamson Ins. Agency	Rent for Magistrate's Office		85.00
J. Howard Stanley	December Travel		150.00
Brown & Brown	Material & Labor Dog Pound	(4369)	275.00
Dr. D. W. Pittman	Dogs to Sleep		6.00
Dixie Farm Supply	Account Dog Warden		18.39
Southeast Pathology	Professional Services		150.00
Dr.M. W. Thompson	Professional Services		150.00
Buell Lanier	Travel & Telephone		99.92
Clempson Green	Travel		13.60
Norris Economy Drugs	Account Coroner		19.00
Edward W. Williamson	Social Services Board Meeting		28.00
Clemmon L. Jacobs	Social Services Board Meeting		30.40
Pauline N. Moore	Social Services Board Meeting		25.50
Edward Williamson	Re-issue Social Services Board Meeting		28.00
Roscoe Enzor	December Travel		72.86
Sally Marks	December Travel		63.53
Doris G. Lennon	December Travel		49.32
Helma T. English	December Travel		65.98
Mary B. Pickett	December Travel		48.13
Claire P. Duncan	December Travel		27.43
Alice S. Wright	December Travel	(4387)	78.86
Charles E. Tatum, Jr.	December Travel		33.70
Linda P. Baldwin	December Travel		34.03
Kathryn S. Worrell	December Travel		36.12
Jo Anne P. Vereen	December Travel		58.40
Mariegene L. Palmer	December Travel		43.38
Margaret V. Hair	December Travel		53.67
Rebecca J. Williamson	December Travel		32.27
Brenda Pierce	December Travel		52.95
Griffin J. Johnson	December Travel		20.50
Brown & Brown	Repairs to Social Service Bldg.	(4397)	4,620.19
Xerox	Account Social Services		41.60
Pitney Bowes	Account Social Services		40.00
American Industries	Account Social Services		648.72
A. W. Fowler	Account Social Services		5.00
Mrs. H. B. Jackson	Clothes for Brenda Hilburn		18.99
Charles Young	1 year Subscription Star News - Ext. Service		38.40
C.D. Raper	Reimbursement for Supplies		16.15
Singer Co.	Account for Extension Service		12.50
Tranquil-Air	Operator Supplement		500.00
Bernard Peal	December Rent Employment Security Office		150.00
Mrs. Matthew Ward	Out Door Poor		5.00
Department of Conservation & Dev.	October Expenditures		1,291.16
Southeastern Regional Mental Health Center	3rd Quarter Budget Appropriation		10,649.75
Columbus County Library	2nd Half - Budget Appropriation		7,650.00
Aid to Aged	3rd Quarter - Budget Appropriation		4,601.75
Aid to Dependent Children	3rd Quarter - Budget Appropriation		8,748.00
Aid to Disabled Fund	4th Quarter - Budget Appropriation		7,564.50
Medicaid Fund	3rd Quarter - Budget Appropriation		19,918.00
Southeastern Community College	3rd Quarter - Budget Appropriation - Curr. Exp.		41,357.50
Southeastern Community College	3rd Quarter - Budget Appropriation - Cap. Outlay		6,212.50
E. W. Williamson	Meetings & Conferences - December		274.88
Group Insurance Services	Hospital & Life Ins. - Prepair - Withheld	(4419)	1,124.78
Colonial Life & Accident	Accident Insurance Withheld		263.50
Carolina Telephone & Tel.	Account Various Offices		799.11
Floyd's Insurance Agency	Insurance Voting Machines		179.00
Carolina Power & Light	Account Various Offices		680.17
Franklin Baking Company	Account Law Enforcement Center		63.00
Sealtest Foods	Account Law Enforcement Center		148.38
Hills Super Market	Account Law Enforcement Center		33.52
American Industries	Account Law Enforcement Center		633.63
Columbus County Hospital	Services for Inmates		47.80
N. C. Dept of Revenue	Sales & Use Tax - Quarter Ending 12-31-73		587.57
Annie Ruth Strickland	Reimbursement for Postage - Mileage		26.32
The News Reporter	Account Various Offices	(4431)	1,018.32

Farmers Oil & Fertilizer Co.	Account Various Offices	(4432)	1,311.35
Gore's Carpet & Drapery Center	Carpet Clerk of Court		125.05
Sasser Heat & Appliance	Service A.C. - Clerk of Court		16.50
Rose's Stores	Account Courthouse		4.50
Floyd's Insurance Agency	Insurance for Auto's Sheriff's Dept.		252.00
Pearl H. Fowler	Travel & Expenses - December		33.58
Tomlinson's Store	Account Social Services		23.17
Collier Gas Co.	Gas for Employment Security Commission		60.11
Brown & Brown	Labor & Materials Roof, Bd. of Elections	(4440)	1,773.30
Postmaster, Whiteville	Postage for Various Offices		1,000.00
T. E. Burns	Meetings & Conferences During December	(4442)	93.60

Ordered: That employees under the State Competitive Service System reduce their work week to 35 hours beginning February 1st which is the work week for most county employees. This includes Social Service and Health Department employees.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until January 21, 1974, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Suggs
Clerk

Donald P. Curtis
Chairman