

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., June 7, 1976, it being first Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Donald P. Currie, Chairman

C. Waldo Marlowe, Vice-Chairman

Edward W. Williamson

Mayo Brown

W. B. Buffkin (Absent)

Sankey W. Robinson, Attorney

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman and the invocation was given by Commissioner Brown.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the May 17th meeting were approved as recorded.

Ordered: that the resignation of E. M. Griffin, Tax Collector be accepted and a letter of appreciation be sent to him for his service to the County.

Ordered: that Paul Hughes, Building Custodian, be allowed to purchase a riding lawn mower and tools to repair air conditioners. Funds are to be transferred from MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS TO BUILDINGS & GROUNDS in the Courthouse Budget to cover the cost which totals \$1,057.

Ordered: that the Accountant advertise for applications for positions of Tax Collector and Secretary/Administrative Assistant to the Rental Housing Administrator to be received until June 18th.

Ordered: that taxes listed in the name of S. W. Pierce Heirs, Bogue Township, be released on the valuation of \$7220. due to double listing. Property is also listed to Charles P. Long, Bogue Township.

RESOLUTION ENDORSING 'NO-WAKE' AREA IN CANAL
AT LAKE WACCAMAW

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, in cooperation with the Town of Lake Waccamaw, recognizes the dangers to small boats and damage by erosion to the banks of the Canal at the Lake and to the natural wildlife habitat of water foul caused by excessive speed by power boats; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners denounce such speeds in the Canal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby request and advise all interested citizens of the County to join with the Town of Lake Waccamaw to pursue, through the proper authorities, the establishment of a 'NO-WAKE' area in the Canal in its entirety, adjoining the Canal Cove Road.

The foregoing resolution was unanimously passed in conjunction with the Town of Lake Waccamaw having passed a like request.

Ordered: that the Hospital Board of Trustees be allowed to purchase equipment for the new hospital in the original amount of \$404,000 not to include sales tax.

Ordered: that the Accountant be allowed to adjust funds between line items in the various departments not to exceed the total budget appropriation for each individual department.

Ordered: that Reverend Tommy Beaver be approved to serve of the Board of Directors of Region 'O' Family Resources, Inc. Reverend Beaver was recommended by the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors.

Ordered: that the County Attorney draw a Resolution to create a Recreation Feasibility Study Committee to make a study of the County's available recreation resources and make a recommendation to the Board the course of action they should take on instituting a county operated recreation program.

The Finance Officer presented the Budget Estimate for FY1976-77 to the Board for their consideration and a copy was filed with the Clerk to the Board for public inspection. Also, an advertisement was placed in the NEWS REPORTER announcing a public hearing to be held on the Budget Estimate at 8:00 p.m., June 21st in the Courthouse in Whiteville for all citizens to have an opportunity to be heard concerning the Proposal.

At 2:30 p.m. it was announced that bids would be opened for the construction of a parking lot on the Fletcher Property. Only one bid was received and was not opened. The County Attorney was instructed to readvertise bid openings for June 21st at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Jerry Nealey met with the Board to inquire why fiberglass septic tanks could not be used in Columbus County. County Sanitarian, Cecil Edwards, was contacted to appear before the Board and informed Mr. Nealey that a request would have to be made to the State Health Dept. and if approved by the State, request be made to the County Health Department for further approval.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until June 21, 1976, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Suggs
Clerk

Donald R. Cant
Chairman