

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., July 5, 1977, Monday being a legal holiday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

C. Waldo Marlowe, Chairman

Junior W. Dew, Vice Chairman

Edward W. Williamson

L. A. Hinson

David L. McPherson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by The Reverend C. B. Hicks, Pastor, Hallsboro Methodist Church.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the June 20th and 21st were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Dew and seconded by Commissioner Williamson.

The following resolution was passed upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Williamson:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus that the Town of Chadbourn be designated as the "lead" organization in accordance with the terms of the Management Agreement of the Columbus County Community Development Office, as entered into on May 3, 1977 by the County of Columbus, Town of Chadbourn, Town of Fair Bluff and Town of Tabor City, and that the designation of the Town of Chadbourn as "lead" organization continue in effect until such time as the Management Agreement is terminated, or written notice is given by any of the participating local government units that a change is desired in the "lead" organization designation.

This the 5th day of July, 1977

/s/ Waldo Marlowe, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AN INCREASE IN THE REPRESENTATION OF THE COUNTIES OF BRUNSWICK AND PENDER ON THE LOWER CAPE FEAR WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, pursuant to tentative agreement heretofore reached by the members of the Authority and the several governmental units represented on the Authority, the Boards of Commissioners for the Counties of Brunswick and Pender have adopted resolutions appointing new members of the Authority, thereby increasing their representation on this Authority to four members and two members, respectively, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the Authority for the representation of such Counties to be so increased;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus that:

Section 1. The Board of Commissioners hereby consents to such increases in the representation of said Counties on the Authority.

Section 2. Paragraph (d) of the Articles of Incorporation of the Lower Cape Fear Water & Sewer Authority shall be amended to provide that the Authority shall have thirteen

members, two appointed by each of the organizing political subdivisions, four appointed by Brunswick County, two appointed by Columbus County, two appointed by Pender County and one appointed by Bladen County.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Thereupon Commissioner Williamson moved the passage of the foregoing resolution entitled: "RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AN INCREASE IN THE REPRESENTATION OF THE COUNTIES OF BRUNSWICK AND PENDER ON THE LOWER CAPE FEAR WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY" and Commissioner Hinson seconded the motion and the resolution was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Marlowe, Dew, Williamson, Hinson and McPherson.

NOES: None

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to appoint Bobbie Dewitt as the Equal Employment Opportunity resource person in compliance with the requirements of the CETA guidelines.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Williamson, and passed to accept the resignation of William Norris, Employee, Extension Service, with regrets.

At 11:00 a.m. bids were opened in response to advertising for repairs and painting the outside of the Courthouse. Only one bid was received, and was opened and recorded as follows:

Faith Paint Company	
Bladenboro, N. C.	\$ 7,685.00

Reference in a letter was made to painting and it was not clear to the Board if the bid included all phases of the specifications. A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed to accept the bid upon the condition that the Attorney confer with the Bidder and clarify the proposal and <sup>if</sup> it is intended to include both repairs and painting, it is acceptable.

Attorney Hill brought it to the attention of the Board that Faulk Plumbing Company had defaulted in their contract with the County for the plumbing at the new hospital. A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed authorizing the Chairman to sign the necessary forms to allow the bonding company, United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, to take over and proceed with the completion of the plumbing contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to allow Mr. Porter 90 days from this meeting date to remove the dwelling from the property on North Thompson Street and Commissioner Hinson will go to the site and designate which tree may be cut to allow the removal of the house.

Bids were opened for the sale of two autos which had been advertised and bids recorded as follows:

1970 Ford	1974 Dodge	
\$ 156.50	\$ 353.50	Herman Price
105.00	-0-	Tom Billington
250.00	325.00	Thomas E. Ward

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed

to accept the bid from Thomas E. Ward for a total of \$575.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to appoint Commissioner Williamson and Col. (Ret.) Walters to review the project applications that have been sent to the County from the Office of Employment & Training. The project applications are to be graded and returned to the OET for final review and approval or disapproval.

As the result of the previous discussions, representatives from the Health Dept. and Social Services met with the Board at the request of the County Attorney to further discuss the cost of contracting with Southeastern General Hospital to receive indigent patients for deliveries. By general consent the Board agreed, and directed the Health Department to continue to send indigent clinical patients to the County Hospital until such time as the Hospital refuses to accept the patients .

The Board expressed concern and hope that as a result of the meeting scheduled on July 6th between the Hospital Trustees, Rescue Squad Chiefs, County Commissioners and others, that more concrete information will be forthcoming and agencies concerned will have a direction to take as a result of the meeting.

The Board discussed specifications for the purchase of pick-up trucks for the Recreation Director and Solid Waste Department. The Attorney was directed to advertise for the purchase of the vehicles to be opened on July 18, 1977.

A report on the results of the survey of the needs and interest of women in the County was presented to the Board by Susan Wood, Chairperson, Council on the Status of Women. A copy of the report was presented to each Board Member for review at their convenience.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to increase the Extension Service Budget by \$5,900 for salary increases.

Upon motion the meeting recessed until 8:00 p.m., July 6, 1977, to meet with the Hospital Trustees, Rescue Squad Chiefs, and others concerning ambulance service in the County. The meeting will convene in the courtroom of the County Courthouse.

APPROVED:

Emogene M. Suggs  
Clerk

Waldo Marlowe  
Chairmen