

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., January 21, 1980, it being third Monday.

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 (Part-time)

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by The Reverend Walter Jones, Columbus Baptist Association.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the January 7th and 14th were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Hinson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed that the biannual audit required by HUD for the Section Eight Rental Assistance Program be included in the regular County audit Contract with Moore & Price, PA.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed that Darlene Troy, CETA employee with Social Security Administration, be paid \$3.24 per hour which is the beginning salary for a Clerk II under the County's Pay Plan. This motion is subject to the approval of funds by the State CETA Office. (Approved by phone per Sarah Birdsong, State CETA Office - 1/21/80)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed to approve a budget amendment in the AFDC Fund to include additional federal funds in the amount of \$25,714.00 and State Funds in the amount of \$12,293.00. This is due to a change in the allocation of the Equalizing Fund distributed through the State office.

Mrs. Vereen also requested that the mileage allowance for travel be increased from 17¢ per mile to 19¢ per mile. She stated that her budget would not have to have an additional increase in funds for this item for the remaining part of this fiscal year. As other budgets will be affected by this increase, Commissioner McPherson asked that the Finance Officer check each budget and report on the necessary increase in funds, if any, at the next Board meeting.

Letters had been received by each Board Member from the Sheriff's Department requesting increases in salaries for two officers and verbally for one secretary.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed to reclassify James Howard Turbeville and James Smith as Deputy II positions and set the salary of Turbeville on step four and Smith on step five of the pay scale for that job title. It was also decided to pay William Sibbett at a rate of \$3.50 per hour, which is the rate approved for the new slot assigned the Sheriff's Department for an additional secretary. This is to become effective February 1st.

The following tax releases were approved upon motion by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and recommended by Ralph Jolly, Tax Supervisor:

Property Owner	Township	Valuation
Sedo Heirs & Minnie Miles	Whiteville	\$ 1,200.00
First Union National Bank Trustee for Dr. Lawrence Floyd	Cerro Gordo	5,000.00
Herbert E. Ezzell	Whiteville	1,150.00
James Floyd Cartrette	Western Prong	650.00
Raymond Banks Watts	Whiteville	1,500.00
Daniel F. Thompson	Whiteville	2,500.00
Earl Robbins	Whiteville	400.00
Jimmy Lee & Doris T. Fowler	Cerro Gordo	8,460.00
Lonnie Pittman	Tatum	750.00
Joe Lee Godwin	Williams	2,000.00
Elizabeth W. Baldwin	Western Prong	1,000.00
Frances Nance & Raymond Heflin	Cerro Gordo	8,470.00
Rube Spivey	Williams	1,700.00
Vance & Alma Long	Bug Hill	4,710.00
Don & Debbie C. Mercer	Williams	850.00
W. B. Hayes	Cerro Gordo	800.00
David Blackman	Whiteville	1,210.00
John Lowery Stevens	South Williams	560.00
Ernest Paul Hardee	Whiteville	800.00
E. Theodore Hinson	Williams	1,500.00

The above were released due to duplication of property improvements made after January 1, 1979, correction made to give advantage of exemption for Elderly & Permanently Disabled, or error in appraisal.

Other releases approved are as follows:

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Trigon Corp., Bogue Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,440.00 due to error in listing a lot that is non-existent.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Louise McDonald, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$2,360.00 due to error in appraising a carport which does not exist.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Teresa Powell, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of three dogs, \$9.00, as Mrs. Powell did not own any dogs on January 1, 1979.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Jesse Lee Malpass, Ransom Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,200.00 due to double listing.

Ordered: that the 1978 taxes listed in the name of Stephen Lloyd Hinson, Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$7,930.00 due to an error in transfer of two lots which should be listed to Hugh Mack Williamson.

Ordered: that the taxes listed in the name of Clara Jernigan Cartrette, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$3.00, one dog, due to an error in listing a dog which Ms. Cartrette did not own in 1979.

Ordered: that the taxes listed in the name of Will Stephens Heirs, Chadbourn Township, be cancelled for the years 1973 through 1979 due to double listing.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Horace Rogers, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of one dog, \$3.00, because he does not own a dog.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Paul Lee & Marjorie Bullard, Fair Bluff Township, be released on the valuation of \$7,878.00 due to double listing.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Louise McDonald, Whiteville Township, in the amount of \$84.96 due to error in appraising a carport that does not exist in 1979.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Jesse Lee Malpass, Ransom Township, in the amount of \$43.20 due to double listing property valued at \$1,200.00 in 1979.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Clyde Rudolph and Amanda Williams, Whiteville Township, in the amount of \$21.30 due to an error in listing the wrong model of auto in 1979.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Howard Lofton Cox, Jr., Bug Hill Township, in the amount of \$9.72 due to an error in appraising land in 1979.

Ordered: that a refund be given to William Ernest Nance, Tatum Township, in the amount of \$15.00 due to an error in paying the wrong tax receipt for 1979 taxes.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Teresa Beck Heirs, Williams Township, in the amount of \$7.20 due to an error in appraising a heating system that does not exist for 1979 listing.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Willie Bellamy, Chadbourn Township, in the amount of \$141.79 for the years 1969 through 1972, due to double listing.

Mr. B. A. Mills met with the Board to discuss some problem right-of-ways on secondary roads that have been approved for improvements. He asked their assistance in getting the right-of-ways signed and stated that he or a right-of-way agent would visit the problem sites with the Board Members. It was agreed to visit several of the roads in question and if the right-of-ways could not be obtained for a specific road that is on the approved list, the funds would be released and designated to another road for improvements after this effort has been made.

Robert Clark, Colene Stanley and Kermit Ward, SENCLand administrators of the Focal Point on Aging Program met with the Board to update them on the status of the Program and request funding for next fiscal year. There is also a need for additional funding for the last quarter of this fiscal year unless State funds that are left over can be reappropriated. The estimated cost for a quarter is \$6,000.00 The Board made no commitment at this time.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until February 4, 1980, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W Suggs
Clerk

Waldo Marlowe
Chairman