

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., June 2, 1980, it being first 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

Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Commissioner Hinson.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the May 19th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner McPherson.

Commissioner McPherson reported to the Board on the discussions at the Spring Legislative Conference which he attended on May 30th in Raleigh, and the following Resolution was unanimously adopted to be forwarded to Legislative Members and the Governor:

A letter was presented to the Board from Jerry Ramsey, COG Director, stating that State funds would not be available to match a radio for Chadbourn Volunteer Fire & Rescue Squad on a 50% basis as originally applied for in a grant. The total cost of the radio and installation is \$2,600 and the State will pay \$800.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the County appropriate \$1,200 from Surplus to match the grant of \$800 from the State and \$600 from the Squad.

It was further ordered that funds be appropriated from Surplus in the amount of \$1,307 to purchase a radio for Williams Township Volunteer Fire Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to continue the Contract with the Health Department and Dr. Wheatley for mid-wife services and the Chairman is hereby authorized to sign the Contract on behalf of the County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the appointment of Mr. John Wayne Johnson to the Town Planning Board of Lake Waccamaw be approved as requested by the Town Commissioners.

The following tax releases were approved upon motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner McPherson and recommended by the Tax Supervisor:

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Ordered: that the \$3.00 tax/a dog be released on the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Diana Jordan, Whiteville Township.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of E. S. Jacobs, Bolton Township, be released on the valuation of \$53,100 due to an error in listing inventory.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Mrs. T. S. Shelley Heirs, Fair Bluff Township, be released on the valuation of \$9,875 due to an error in listing property in the wrong name. Also property is in the Service District and is to be released.

Ordered: that the 1977, 1978 and 1979 taxes listed in the name of D. J. Strickland, Cerro Gordo Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$320. for property listed that is non-existent.

Ordered: that the 1979 taxes listed in the name of Dixie Equipment Company, Ransom Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$47,400 on equipment that was not leased to Dixie Equipment Company on January 1, 1980.

*See minutes
of June 16/83*

The following terms were approved for the Columbus County Economic Development Commission and to establish the correct terms so that three members' term will expire on a rotating basis of three years each:

E. L. Green, Charles Langston and R. C. Soles, Jr.	- Term Ends	June 30, 1981
Bernice Gerald, Wilbur Freedman and Sam Koonce	- Term Ends	June 30, 1982
Willard Small, Herbert Riggins and Charles Williamson-	Term Ends	June 30, 1983

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the Budget for the Health Department be amended to include \$4,400 from the Division of Maternal and Child Health for the following expenditures:

Increase 10-592-11	\$1,000	Increase 10-592-32	\$1,000
Decrease 10-592-14	1,800	Increase 10-592-46	2,800
Increase 10-592-44	1,400		

No additional County funds are needed for this transaction.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed that Commissioner Williamson work out a schedule with George Bryant, Sencland Community Action, and the Mental Health Department to allow Mr. Bryant to use a room now assigned to Mental Health when not needed by Mental Health.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that Davis Pridgen be hired to replace the shrubbery in front of the Administrative Building that was destroyed during the snow storm in March.

Harry Ward, Member of the Steering Committee of the Fur Trading Association, met with the Board and requested that the Board pass a resolution regulating the harvesting of foxes in Columbus County. He stated that he is visiting surrounding counties promoting a resolution from each county. No action was taken by the Board but they stated that they would consult with the public, local Legislators and the County Attorney for input on the matter before taking any action.

Edd Miller met with the Board and requested that they appropriate \$2,500 in County funds for the Oratorio Society in the upcoming fiscal year and that they designate one-half to each of the following: Summer Music Programs and Annual Christmas Program.

There was general agreement that Paul Hughes extend air ducts to the back offices of the State Parole/Probation upstairs in the Administrative Building, if feasible.

The Board asked the Attorney to contact Frank Stanley before the Thursday night meeting and again request the results of the hearing held for Carlton Cartrette by the Grievance Committee and inquire what his plans are regarding the request for a hearing by Max Walker.

Dewey Walker, who lives on Business 74-76 between Whiteville & Chadbourn, requested that the Board use any influence they may have to oppose the widening of that Highway as he feels it is wide enough to take care of the traffic and several people will lose their property that they worked hard to purchase. The Board stated they would relay the message to the Department of Transportation.

Upon motion the meeting recessed until 7:00 p.m., Thursday, June 5, 1980, to continue unfinished business.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Logg
Clerk

Waldo Merlone
Chairman