

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 26, 1980, according to adjournment.

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 and it was announced that the purpose of the meeting was to allow citizens of the County to be heard on the proposed budget estimate for FY 1980-81.

Approximately 53 citizens were present and a representative from each County department attended to answer any questions relating to their particular department.

The floor was open to allow citizens to be recognized and heard. The following persons were recognized and heard:

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| Mayo Brown | Robert Inman | Larry Gilliam |
| Howard Straughan | Frances Wheeler | Charles Joyner |
| David Ikner | Dave Joyner | Jessie Fisher |
| Mitchell Tyler | Lloyd Ward | Carlton Jernigan |
| Joe Jordan | Frank Young | Hilda Williamson |
| Caletta Faulk | Bob Pittman | |

The general concensus of those present was that all people were having to economize and they felt that the County should not increase taxes, and that it is the duty of the Board to make the decision where the budget estimate should be cut. Strong complaints were directed to the Department of Social Services and the Sheriff's Department. Petitions were presented to the Board by Mayo Brown and David Ikner which contained signatures of citizens in the County who are opposed to increasing the tax rate from \$1.20 per \$100.00 valuation to \$1.30. Howard Straughan, Whiteville, and Mitchell Tyler, Cerro Gordo, supported the Board in their proposal as taxes have not been increased in five years and the Board has to deal with the problem of inflation also.

The Board explained that a number of expenses were mandated upon the County by State and federal agencies and are not under the control of anyone on the County level.

After the hearing there was a short recess.

The Board reconvened and Commissioner McPherson stated that he appreciated the constructive criticism by the citizens who attended the public hearing but was sorry they did not attend the budget work sessions and give input at that time. He stated that he opposed tax increases but that under the present circumstances and with the mandated services required by other governments he felt that the Board had no other choice but to increase taxes to continue the services now offered by the County and that he moved that the following budget ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williamson and unanimously passed as follows:

BUDGET ORDINANCE
FOR 1980-1981

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, this the 26th day of June, 1980, that for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1980, and ending June 30, 1981, the amounts in the following schedule, or so much of each as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated:

Section 1. The appropriations to the Boards of Education, firstly, shall be made from any funds which are dedicated to the use of the schools and, secondly, shall be made from the general county revenues to the extent the Board deems necessary.

Section 2. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated for the operation of the county government and its activities in the GENERAL FUND, the following:

10-410	Governing Body	\$ 41,118.00	
10-430	Elections	48,138.00	
10-440	Finance Department	72,886.00	
10-450	Tax Listing	116,929.00	
10-460	Tax Collector	64,321.00	
10-470	Legal & Professional Services	33,524.00	
10-480	Register of Deeds	73,094.00	
10-500	Courthouse - Building & Grounds	62,756.00	
10-502	County Hall - Building & Grounds	37,732.00	
10-503	Administration Building & Grounds	20,776.00	
10-505	Board of Elections Building (Old Library)	4,400.00	
10-506	Miller Building & Grounds	100,948.00	
10-507	Other Buildings & Grounds	48,666.00	
10-510	Sheriff's Department	563,529.00	
10-515	District Court	7,400.00	
10-520	Law Enforcement Center	184,798.00	
10-525	Emergency Management	26,810.00	
10-540	Inspections	18,621.00	
10-580	Solid Waste Department	267,144.00	
10-589	Dog Warden	35,374.00	
10-590	Cooperative Health	327,171.00	
10-591/599	Clinics	404,826.00	
10-600	Coroner	10,920.00	
10-605	Extension Service	102,612.00	
10-606	Soil Conservation Service	34,802.00	
10-607	Veterans' Service Officer	14,348.00	
10-610	Social Services Administration	828,639.00	
10-611	Social Services Programs	355,320.00	
10-620	Recreation Department	68,728.00	
10-650	Airport	16,250.00	
10-660	Non-Departmental	414,300.00	
		\$ 4,406,880.00	(s)
10-690	Contributions to:		
	Debt Service Fund	725,275.00	
	Public Assistance Fund	633,136.00	
	Economic Development Fund	49,421.00	
	Revaluation Fund	15,000.00	
	Library Fund	148,796.00	

10-690 Continued:

Schools' Current Expense	\$ 2,387,562.00
Schools' Capital Outlay	293,739.00
College Current Expense	409,192.00
College Capital Outlay	24,300.00
Regional Mental Health Center	117,027.00
Other Agencies	257,940.00
	<u>\$ 9,468,288.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

10-301-80	Advalorem Taxes (1980 Levy at \$1.30 rate)	\$ 4,972,500.00
10-301-00	Advalorem Taxes (Prior Years)	127,840.00
10-311-00	Discounts	(12,000.00)
10-312-00	Refunds	(3,500.00)
10-313-00	Releases	(12,000.00)
10-317-00	Penalty & Interest	35,000.00
10-325-00	Privilege License	2,500.00
10-329-00	Interest on Investments	135,000.00
10-331-00	Rent	3,000.00
10-335-00	Miscellaneous - General Fund	100,000.00
10-335-01	Miscellaneous - Health Department	8,000.00
10-336-00	Donations to Recreation	2,000.00
10-339-00	Intangible Taxes	155,000.00
10-345-00	Local 1¢ Sales Tax	980,000.00
10-347-00	5¢ ABC Tax	25,000.00
10-348-00	State Aid to Emergency Management	10,000.00
10-348-01	State Aid to Veterans' Administration	1,000.00
10-348-02	Special Appropriation to Health & Social Ser.	25,000.00
10-348-03	LEAA- Grant to Sheriff's Department	6,629.00
10-348-04	Specialized Foster Care	9,599.00
10-348-05	State Abortion Aid	20,000.00
10-348-06	100% Day Care for Children	50,304.00
10-348-07	In-Home Services (Chore)	50,233.00
10-348-08	Aid to Counties for Medicaid Expenses	40,000.00
10-348-09	Planning Grant	8,000.00
10-349-00	State & Federal Aid to Health Department	45,000.00
10-349-01	State & Federal Aid to Social Services Adm.	511,064.00
10-349-02	Title XX - Chore Services	78,750.00
10-349-03	Title XX - Day Care for Children	8,750.00
10-349-04	Title XX - Family Planning	19,000.00
10-349-05	Title XX - Legal Aid	1,560.00
10-349-06	Title XX - Transportation	24,841.00
10-349-07	Foster Home Care	22,500.00
10-350-00	State Grants for Family Planning	89,982.00
10-350-01	State Grants for Maternal & Child Care	76,326.00
10-350-03	State Grants for Home Health - Reimbursement	88,471.00
10-350-04	State Grants for Home Health - Seed Money	8,367.00
10-350-04	State Grants for Hypertension Clinics	15,000.00
10-350-05	State Grants for Glaucoma/Diabetes Clinics	27,149.00
10-350-07	State Grants for Crippled Children	6,880.00
10-350-08	W.I.C. Grants	70,000.00
10-350-09	Tuberculosis Clinic Grants	22,651.00
10-351-00	Arrest Fees	25,000.00
10-351-01	Facilities Fees	35,000.00
10-355-00	Building Permits	5,000.00
10-356-00	Register of Deeds' Fees	75,000.00
10-357-00	Sheriff's Commission	1,000.00
10-358-00	Jail Fees - Clerk of Court & Raleigh	11,500.00
10-367-00	Sales Tax Refund	25,000.00
10-391-00	5% Commission of Tax Collections -Riegelwood	700.00
		<u>\$ 8,033,596.00</u> (s)
10-397-00	Contribution from Revenue Sharing	734,672.00
10-399-00	Fund Balance Appropriated	700,000.00
		<u>\$ 9,468,288.00</u>

Section 3. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the LIBRARY FUND, the following:

14-630-11	Telephone & Postage	\$ 4,500.00
14-630-13	Utilities	9,500.00
14-630-14	Travel	1,500.00
14-630-15	Maintenance & Repairs - Building & Grounds	1,500.00
14-630-16	Maintenance & Repairs - Equipment	1,000.00
14-630-17	Maintenance & Repairs - Vehicles	2,000.00

14-630-21	Rent - Equipment	\$	1,000.00
14-630-26	Advertising		200.00
14-630-31	Automotive Supplies		2,500.00
14-630-32	Office Supplies		3,000.00
14-630-53	Dues & Subscriptions		250.00
14-630-54	Insurance & Bonding		1,600.00
14-630-57	Miscellaneous Expenses		1,300.00
14-630-74	Capital Outlay		<u>36,000.00</u>
		\$	<u>65,850.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

14-335-00	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$	5,000.00
14-348-00	State Aid		32,000.00
14-349-00	Federal Aid		<u>3,500.00</u>
			40,500.00 (s)
14-397-10	Contribution from General Fund		<u>25,350.00</u>
		\$	<u>65,850.00</u>

Section 5. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND, for the payment to recipients of public assistance, the following:

40-612-00	Aid to Dependent Children Grants	\$	230,018.00
40-613-00	Medicaid Grants		386,489.00
40-614-00	Special Assistance to Adults		59,904.00
40-615-00	Foster Home Care		<u>20,446.00</u>
		\$	<u>696,857.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

40-348-00	State Aid- Foster Home Care	\$	17,138.00
40-349-00	Equalizing Fund		36,713.00
40-351-00	Incentive & 4-D		<u>9,870.00</u>
			63,721.00 (s)
40-397-10	Contribution from General Fund		<u>633,136.00</u>
		\$	<u>696,857.00</u>

Section 6. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND, the following:

44-495-11	Telephone & Postage	\$	1,740.00
44-495-13	Utilities		720.00
44-495-14	Travel (\$2,400 in General Fund)		9,600.00
44-495-21	Rent for Office Space		3,000.00
44-495-26	Advertising		4,000.00
44-495-32	Office Supplies		720.00
44-495-45	Contract Service		240.00
44-495-53	Dues & Subscriptions		825.00
44-495-57	Miscellaneous Expenses		300.00
44-495-73	Capital Outlay - Improvements		<u>2,500.00</u>
		\$	<u>23,645.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

44-329-00	Interest on Investments	\$	<u>2,000.00</u> (s)
44-397-00	Contribution from General Fund		11,405.00
44-399-00	Fund Balance Appropriated		<u>10,240.00</u>
		\$	<u>23,645.00</u>

Section 7. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the ACME-DELCO FIRE DISTRICT FUND, the following:

45-668-91	Contribution to Fire District	\$	<u>5,228.00</u>
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ESTIMATED REVENUE:

45-310-00	Special District Tax (7½¢)	\$	<u>5,228.00</u>
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Section 8. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the

REIGELWOOD SANITARY DISTRICT FUND, the following:

46-668-45	Contract Service	\$	8,549.00
46-668-57	5% Commission on Collections		450.00
		\$	<u>8,999.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

46-310-00	Special District Tax (30¢)	\$	<u>8,999.00</u>
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Section 9. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the

COLE'S SERVICE DISTRICT FUND, the following:

47-668-45	Contribution to Service District	\$	<u>4,187.00</u>
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ESTIMATED REVENUE:

47-310-00	Special District Tax (10¢)	\$	<u>4,187.00</u>
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Section 10. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the

HUD SECTION EIGHT RENTAL ASSISTANCE FUND, the following:

50-618-00	Administration & Rental Expenses	\$	<u>681,394.00</u>
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ESTIMATED REVENUE:

50-349-00	Federal Grant	\$	<u>681,394.00</u>
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Section 11. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND, the following:

51-670-80	Administration & Projects	\$	<u>500,000.00</u>
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ESTIMATED REVENUE:

51-399-80	Community Development Grant	\$	<u>500,000.00</u>
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Section 12. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the

REVENUE SHARING FUND, the following:

52-440-00	Administrative Expenses	\$	1,000.00
52-660-10	Contribution to General Fund		734,672.00
52-666-74	Schools' Capital Outlay		216,000.00
		\$	<u>951,672.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

52-329-00	Interest on Investment	\$	10,000.00
52-349-00	Federal Grants		941,672.00
		\$	<u>951,672.00</u>

Section 13. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated in the

REVALUATION FUND for the purpose of providing for an octennial revaluation of property tax values, the following:

70-690-11	Telephone & Postage	\$	4,000.00
70-690-32	Office Supplies		12,000.00
70-690-45	Revaluation Contract - Carroll-Phelps		89,125.00
70-690-57	Miscellaneous Expenses		500.00
		\$	<u>105,625.00</u>

ESTIMATED REVENUE:

70-397-00	Contribution from General Fund	\$	15,000.00
70-399-00	Fund Balance Appropriated		90,625.00
		\$	<u>105,625.00</u>

Section 14. There is hereby levied a tax rate of one dollar thirty cents (\$1.30) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property listed for taxes as of January 1, 1980, located within Columbus County, North Carolina for the purpose of supplementing the revenue of Columbus County. This rate is based on an estimated total valuation of property for the purpose of taxation of \$425,000,000.00 and an estimated collection rate of 90%.

Section 15. There is hereby levied a tax rate of seven and one-half cents (7½¢) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of the property listed for taxes as of January 1, 1980, located within the special fire district for raising of revenue for Acme-Delco Special Fire District. This rate is based on an estimated total valuation of property for the purpose of taxation of \$6,970,387.00, and an estimated collection rate of 90%.

Section 16. The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund between the objects of expenditures within a department without limitation and without a report being requested.

Section 17. Copies of this Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, Finance Officer and the Tax Supervisor for the direction in the carrying out of their duties.

TOTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION	\$ 13,348,000.00
Less Interfund Transfers	2,144,838.00
Net Budget Appropriation	\$ 11,203,162.00

AYES: /s/ C. Waldo Marlowe
 /s/ Junior W. Dew
 /s/ Edward W. Williamson
 /s/ L. A. Hinson
 /s/ David L. McPherson

ATTEST: /s/ Emogene W. Suggs, Clerk

This the 26th day of June, 1980.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to reappoint Roscoe Enzor as Tax Collector for 1980-81.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and approved to add SR 1436 and 1371 to the list of priorities for improvements of secondary roads in the 1980-81 program if funds become available.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed to reimburse the Library Fund for expenses incurred in mailing notices to Library patrons concerning the availability of restricted library cards for minors if their parents or guardians desire restricted cards.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed to approve the following budget amendment for the Health Department:

Increase WIC funds in the amount of \$49,924.00 and increase the following objects of expenditures by the following amounts:

10-599-02	Salaries	\$ 37,114.00
10-599-05/06		
07	Fringe Benefits	6,946.00
10-599-11	Telephone & Postage	814.00
10-599-14	Travel	2,100.00
10-599-32	Office Supplies	975.00
10-599-34	Education Supplies	300.00
10-599-46	Medical Supplies	375.00
10-599-74	Equipment	1,300.00

This amendment is necessary due to federal funds and County fiscal year not being the same dates.

The following line items transfers were approved for the Whiteville City Schools under Section 16 of the Budget Ordinance:

4-9100-02-532	High School Roofing	Decrease	\$ 13,000.00
4-9100-02-522	High School Landscaping	Increase	1,269.63
4-9100-06-532	Miscellaneous Roof Repair	"	9,546.41
4-9200-01-541	Computer	"	51.90
4-9300-01-551	Maintenance Truck	"	632.16
4-9990-01-699	Miscellaneous Expenses	"	1,500.00

The above are transfers in the Capital Outlay Budget.

Transfers in the amount of \$83,000.00 were approved in the Current Expense Budget and are on file with the County Finance Officer.

It was agreed by the Board that the penalty and interest on the late listings picked up by Steve Whitacre, Carroll-Phelps, Company, be released for 1979 taxes in all townships. It was further agreed that no taxes, penalty or interest be added in the Cole's Service District on the above for 1979 tax purposes.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until July 7, 1980, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Emogene W. Logg
Clerk

Waldo M. Monroe
Chairman