

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., August 4, 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 McPherson.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the July 21st meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner McPherson and seconded by Commissioner Hinson.

Robert "Chip" Leavett, Finance Officer for Whiteville City Schools, and Sam Stell, Supt., met with the Board to request a special appropriation for re-roofing the north and east wings of Edgewood Elementary School. The projected cost is \$46,000.00 but the request is for \$20,000.00 special appropriation.

After a discussion with Mr. Leavett, a motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed that a member of the Board talk further with the above administrative officials and get additional data on the overall situation and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed to delegate Commissioner McPherson to the above task.

The following Resolution was unanimously passed upon motion by Commissioner Williamson and seconded by Commissioner Dew:

WHEREAS, it is unwieldy and time consuming to seek out all members of the Board of Commissioners to validate each ministerial act,

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Columbus County Commissioners is hereby authorized and empowered to execute all contracts on behalf of Columbus County with Carolina Power & Light Company for electric service to any and all facilities owned or operated by the County.

This the 4th day of August, 1980.

Columbus County, North Carolina

/s/ Waldo Marlowe

/s/ Junior Dew

/s/ Edward W. Williamson

/s/ L. A. Hinson

/s/ David L. McPherson

At the request of Sandy Shaw, Manager, Town of Chadbourn, the following motion was unanimously passed :

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

that the Board of County Commissioners hold a public hearing to determine whether or not to create a fire district in the Chadbourn area. If it is determined that a need exists the Board will follow the proper procedure, pursuant to the General Statutes of North Carolina, to establish said district which will be known as the Klondyke Fire District.

The following tax release was approved upon motion by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and recommended by the Tax Collector:

Ordered: that a refund check be given to Eva George, Whiteville Township, for taxes paid in error by her attorney for 1979 taxes.

Attorney Hill discussed the offer from James F. Jackson and Associate, Inc. to increase the limits of liability from \$300,000 per incident to \$1,000,000 per incident under the County's Public Officials and Employees Professional Liability Insurance Program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to increase the County's coverage as stated above and appropriate \$231.00 from Surplus to cover the cost of the increase.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed to reappoint W. C. Sealey, Jr. to serve on the Industrial Facilities and Pollution Financing Authority, and appoint Dr. Jerry Paschal to replace Martin Carter, who does not wish to continue to serve. The above terms will expire in 1986.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that the County continue to be the Sponsor for Title II-D and Title VI Projects for CETA contracts in Columbus County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed that the Chairman be delegated the authority to work with any department head to close County offices for funerals of members of families of County Employees.

A motion was made by Commissioner McPherson, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed that Lowrimore Warwick & Company be employed as a consultant in the selection of computer hardware and software to be used by various departments of the County and that time be allowed for department heads to visit installations of possible selections being considered by the County. Commissioner Williamson stipulated that Veneda Ray be allowed to have input in the selection of the above to be used by the Finance Department.

The Inspection Report made by the State Jail Consultant was reviewed by the Board.

There was a discussion concerning allowing the land behind the Legion Stadium to be used by the Stadium as an east ingress/egress. The Board decided to delay action on this matter until they could review maps of County property in that area.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until August 18, 1980, at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

*Emogene W. Suggs*  
Clerk

*Walter McPherson*  
Chairman