

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., April 19, 1982, it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Junior W. Dew, Chairman

Lynwood Norris, Vice-Chairman

Edward W. Williamson

C. Waldo Marlowe

L. A. Hinson

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 Commissioner Hinson.

The following business was transacted:

The minutes of the April 5th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Norris.

Ruth Worley, George Bryant and Joann Stevens met with the Board to request that the Board take further steps toward implementing the Services for the Aging Agency which was approved on January 18, 1982, as an agency to be the focal point for services for the aging for Columbus County. Mr. Bryant made the presentation to the Board requesting that the Board name a member of the Board of County Commissioners to serve on the Agency Board, give the Agency permission to incur cost and make available the use of a typewriter and copier.

There was a discussion of the request but no decision was made at this time to grant the above requests but will be discussed further later in the meeting or at a later meeting.

The following tax release was approved upon motion by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and upon the recommendation of Ralph Jolly, Tax Supervisor:

Ordered: that the taxes listed in the name of G. L. Harrelson Heirs, South Williams Township, be refunded in the following amounts; 1979 - \$11.40; 1980 - \$12.35; and 1981 - \$19.18, due to an error in listing one acre of land.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed that funds be appropriated in the amount of \$4,000.00 for the summer program for handicapped children which is operated by the County Schools. It was further stipulated that the Board further consider their request of an additional \$1,000.00 for this program when discussing the budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to designate a part of the office space used by the Tax Supervisor's Office, to the Economic Development Commission Office as requested by the Economic Development Board. Commissioner Dew is to have a partition installed back to the first partial partition and

it was further ordered that the carpet be cleaned and that Wallace Clontz, AIA, be contacted for assistance in remodeling the space.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to adopt the salary schedule for County employees under competitive service, which includes Social Services, Health Department and Secretary for Emergency Management, as was recommended by the above Department Heads. The Schedule is the same as the State's 1979-80 salary schedule with one step added at the top.

Robert Clark, Sencland Community Action Director, met with the Board to present his budget request for 1982-83 budget year. His request for services was \$8,348.00 and \$4,252.00 for local match for purchase of three replacement vans. No action was taken at this time but will be considered at budget sessions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to approve the road petition requesting that SR #1530 be paved. The road is 1.5 miles in length, has 15 occupied homes located on it and is located in Western Prong Township.

A motion was made by Commissioner Marlowe, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed to request that the Department of Transportation to apply funds, that had been allocated to SR #1730, to SR #1158 for paving. This request is the result of DOT not being able to obtain the rights-of-way for SR #1730.

In discussions at this meeting, the Board has been informed that funds for Columbus County have been cut from various entitlement programs that have been allocated to Sencland Community Action, Inc. to provide services to Columbus County citizens, especially the aged, handicapped and disadvantaged. The amount of the reduction was pointed out by Ruth Worley and later verified by Robert Clark as approximately \$25,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed that Commissioners Norris and Dew request information from the Council of Governments regarding the reduction in funds for Columbus County for budget year 1982-83.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Williamson and passed that Commissioner Dew consult with Mrs. Vereen on removing a partition in the Social Services Department.

There was a discussion of other office space for the Register of Deeds and Court officials but no decisions were made at this time. Also there was a discussion on re-roofing the jail but no decision was made.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed to give a check for \$62.50 to Eddie Carmichael for immediate relief.

Stuart Sasser met with the Board to present a report to the Board on the mile-

age and general condition of the cars at the Sheriff's Department. He asked the Board for advice on how many cars he should request in his budget estimate. No decision was made on this request. Mr. Sasser stated that he would have 11 cars with over 100,000 miles registered before the end of fiscal 1982.

Upon motion the meeting recessed until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 20, 1982, to meet as a Board of Equalization & Review.

APPROVED:

*Emogene W. Soggs*  
Clerk

*Amiel Dew*  
Chairman