

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 a.m., October 18, 1982, it being third Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Junior W. Dew, Chairman

Lynwood Norris, Vice-Chairman

C. Waldo Marlowe (Part-time)

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 meeting of October 4th, 8th and 13th were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Hinson and seconded by Commissioner Norris.

A letter was presented to the Board concerning the available office space at the Courthouse. Commissioner Dew had met with Mike Easley, Assistant District Attorney; Lacy Thompson, Clerk of Superior Court; William G. Rhodes, Sheriff Nominee; and Frank Stanley, President of Columbus County Bar Association to discuss the assignment of office space in the Courthouse. Those meeting with Mr. Dew agreed on the assignment of space as was set out in the letter but did not contain signatures of those listed above as requested by Mr. Dew. The Clerk was instructed to contact those who had not signed the letter before November 1, 1982, and at that time the Board will take action on the assignment of office space.

Commissioner Marlowe came to the meeting at 10:20.

The following persons met with the Board and presented further information concerning the building of two facilities, one at Old Dock and one at Chadbourn Elementary Schools: Mitchell Tyler, Supt., Columbus County Schools; John F. Carter and Walter Batten, Members of Board of Education; Edward L. Williamson, Attorney for Board of Education; Robert Ezzell, Finance Officer for Schools; Bill Brown, Architect, Littles & Associates; J. C. Fomyduval, Principal, Old Dock School; C. W. Williams, Principal, Chadbourn Elementary School; Willie J. Wall, Advisory Board Member at Chadbourn School and Fred Tedder, Maintenance Supervisor for the County Schools.

A presentation was made by Mr. Brown showing the building plans and various alternatives and options that could be made to adjust to the available funds if funds are not available to finish both buildings. He stated the completed buildings would cost an estimated \$219,000 each but with certain deductible alternates could be built for \$200,000 each. He also stated that if two projects were started at the same time there would be a savings of about \$25,000. No commitment was made by the Board at this time but they told the group that they would give them an answer within two weeks.

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

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Jerry Wayne Williamson, Tatum Township, be released on the valuation of \$580.00 due to an error in listing the valuation of a house and lot.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Ben O. Wright, Williams Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$3,900.00 due to property being listed to him that he does not own. The property is owned by B. B. Wright and is on the late listings.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Chester E. Bullard, Tatum Township, be released on the valuation of \$30,970.00 due to listing woodland as cleared land.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Virginia Davis, Waccamaw Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$17,730.00 as land has been sold to Cecil Knight and is on the late listings.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Charles B. & Elizabeth Andrews, Waccamaw Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$4,895.00 due to an error in listing personal and real property.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Mable Pate, Waccamaw Township, be released on the valuation of \$575.00 due to an error in listing the model of her car.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Robert Allen & Judie D. Waddell, Fair Bluff Township, be released on the valuation of \$11,455.00 in the Cole's Service District as they do not own property within the District.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of B. C. & Thelma Jenrette Heirs, South Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$400.00 due to an error in listing a tobacco barn.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Marion Keith Ward, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$3,925.00 due to an error on the valuation of a car.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of B. W. Peal, Chadbourn Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,400.00 due to double listing two lots.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Bobby & Selma K. Nobles, Bug Hill Township, be released on the valuation of \$3,650.00 due to buildings having burned in 1981.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Orby Devon Tyree, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,920.00 due to an error in appraising the property as cleared land when it should have been classified as new land and woodland.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Joseph Elwood Coleman, Sr., Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$7,600.00 due to errors in pricing two cars and the double listing of one car.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Jewel Grainger, South Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$900.00 as property has been sold and she owns no personal property.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of E. C. & Lina McDaniel, Welches Creek Township, be released on the valuation of \$2,500.00 due to listing two bulk barns that are not in the County.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Frank Gross, Jr., Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$8,500.00. This lot is on the late listing in the name of X. Brown Heirs and Frank Gross.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Henry L. Spaulding, Welches Creek Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$5,170.00 due to an error on property card. The property is correctly listed on the late list.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Dempsey & Victoria Hinson, Fair Bluff Township, be released on the valuation of \$32,360.00 in the Cole's Service District as only 11.3 acres is located in the District.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of F. M. & Hannah Carroll, Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$3,000.00 due to an error in transferring a leasehold.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Barbara H. Dickens & Carol H. Brock, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$12,390.00 due to an error in listing a house.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Xerox Corporation, Chadbourn Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,410.00 due to an error in picking up the valuation of property listed.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Xerox Corporation, Ransom Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$6,390.00 due to an error in picking up the valuation of property listed. Correct valuation is on the late listing.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of William Donald Stevens, Bug Hill Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$900.00 due to an error in transferring 1.56 acres of land.

Ordered: that the 1981 and 1982 taxes listed in the name of James Powell Heirs, Welches Creek Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$2,630.00 due to error in copying information on abstract. Property is non-existent.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Ossie & Mamie Spaulding Heirs, Welches Creek Township, be released on the valuation of \$8,280.00 for Senior-Citizen Exemption.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Ossie & Mamie Spaulding Heirs, Welches Creek Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,150.00 due to an error in listing model of car.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Republic Mortgage Insurance Company, Fair Bluff Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$19,400.00 due to error in listing lots that have been sold. Lots are on late listing in the name of James Allard & Deanna D. Smith.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Willard Iverson Norris, Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$9,620.00 due to double listing a mobile home.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of James Clarence Floyd Heirs, Tatum Township, be released on the valuation of \$5,600.00 for Senior-Citizens Exemption.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Ruby M. Best, Bogue Township, be released on the valuation of \$6,490.00 for Senior-Citizens Exemption.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Ruth Hagan, Fair Bluff Township, be released on the valuation of \$7,690.00 for Senior-Citizens Exemption.

Ordered: that the 1978 taxes listed in the name of Carolina Model Homes, Bolton Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,680.00 for a house being removed from the property in 1977.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Etta Newell Goins, Welches Creek Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$750.00 due to double listing five acres of land.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Barclays American Leasing Company, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$735.00 due to an error in listing the model of a truck.

Ordered: that the 1978 taxes listed in the name of X. Brown Heirs & Frank Gross, Whiteville Township, be cancelled in the amount of \$72.37 for the discovery penalty. The years 1974 through 1978 were all put on the 1978 tax bill.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of Hatch Construction & Realty Company, Waccamaw Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,200.00 due to double listing a lot.

Ordered: that the 1982 taxes listed in the name of John H. Jacobs, Jr. and Gloria Jacobs, Bogue Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$6,700.00 due to an error in transferring one acre of land.

Ordered: that a refund be given to Leota Cain, Whiteville Township, for 1982 taxes, in the amount of \$12.90

Ordered: that a refund be given to Barclays American Leasing, Whiteville Township, for 1981 taxes, in the amount of \$9.78.

Joe Floyd of the Floyd's Insurance Agency, met with the Board to review the coverage on the County buildings and contents.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Marlowe and passed to make the following changes: Add \$50,000.00 to the contents of the PCA Building; Get County Hall and Miller Buildings re-rated because of the changes in heating and cooling systems at both buildings; Add contents to the Riegelwood Branch Library after consulting with the Library Director, Amanda Bible.

There was a short discussion concerning the liability insurance for public officials and county employees. Attorney Hill recommended that the County obtain retroactive coverage

to cover any claims that may be made against the County in the change over from a "claims made" policy to an "occurrence" policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to add the above coverage.

Commissioner Dew stated that he was in the process of finding office space for the Employment Security Office in Chadbourn and had three places to visit that could be made available to the County for office space. A letter was presented to the Board which had been written to the Employment Security Commission Office in Chadbourn from the Whiteville Chamber of Commerce asking that the Office be moved to Whiteville as Whiteville is the County seat and is centrally located.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until November 1, 1982, at 10:00 a.m. which is regular meeting time.

Emogene W. Seeger
Clerk

APPROVED:

Junius Dew
Chairman