

The Honorable Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 A.M., Monday, May 2, 1983, it being first Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

L. A. Hinson, Chairman

Junior Dew, Vice-Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Caletta Faulk

James E. Hill, Jr. Attorney

Richard B. Self, Administrator/  
Clerk

ABSENT:

Larry M. Buffkin

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Mr. C. A. McClelland.

PUBLIC HEARING - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Several citizens were present for the second public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant. Mr. C. A. McClelland was spokesperson for the group asking that the Senior Citizens be considered.

The Administrator stated that the Block Grant application for \$747,140.00 would be used as follows: \$148,300.00 for the development of a Senior Citizens' Center with the balance of \$598,840.00 used for housing rehabilitation in the Riverview Community as this has been chosen the target area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to proceed with the pre-application for the Community Development Block Grant.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously the public hearing adjourned and their regular meeting resumed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 18th meeting were approved as recorded upon motion made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously.

COLUMBUS COUNTY YOUTH TASK FORCE

The Administrator presented the Board with the In-School- Suspension Programs that were designated by the Youth Task Force as the Focus of this years CBA Funding. the request are as follows:

West Columbus High School	-	\$15,923.60
Hallsboro High School	-	15,748.00
Whiteville High School	-	10,348.40
Total		<u>\$42,020.00</u>

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the CBA Funding request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to amend the budget in the amount of \$500.00 in transferring

of In-School-Suspension Funds from Recreation Commission to West Columbus High School with no cost to the County.

PROCLAMATION - MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Colene Stanley, Sencland, presented the Board with a Proclamation designating May as Mental Health Month for adoption. Paul Pope with the Mental Health Association was also present.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to adopt the Mental Health Proclamation as follows:

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the President's Commission on Mental Health has documented and reported the high incidence of mental illness: 32 million Americans need some form of mental health services in any one year; and

WHEREAS, emotional illness accounts for more absenteeism from work than any other illness, except the common cold, and mental illness costs American industry over \$10 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, two million children have severe learning disabilities and 5.8 million elderly Americans have significant mental health problems; and

WHEREAS, mental health is far more than merely the absence of mental illness. It involves the ability to balance problems with appropriate coping skills; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health "a great state of mind" - is for Every...body; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina strongly continues its efforts to provide mental health care and services; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Association in North Carolina works to prevent mental illness and promote mental health and advocates improved attitudes toward mental illness and improved services for the mentally ill;

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, May 1983 as MENTAL HEALTH MONTH IN COLUMBUS COUNTY and commend this observance to our citizens.

ATTEST:

/s/ Richard B. Self  
Administrator/Clerk

/s/ L. A. Hinson, Chairman

PRESENTATIONS

The following presentations from County Departments were presented to the Board as to the responsibilities of each department:

Economic Development Commission, Jack Ervin, Director - Verbal and slide presentation. Mr. Ervin also introduced Mr. Bill Tyson, the Regional Representative who was attending.

Register of Deeds, Ila Penny - Verbal

Sheriff's Department, Bill Rhodes, Sheriff - Verbal

At this time, the Administrator introduced Dr. Don Haymon, Professor at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and Assistant Director of The Institute

of Government, who was observing the meeting as the Administrator is working toward a Masters Degree and this is the last phase of exercises before his commencement on May 15, 1983.

NORTH WHITEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOUNDARY APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the North Whiteville Fire District 4-mile boundaries as follows:

NORTH WHITEVILLE FIRE DISTRICT

Beginning at point (1) on Road 1003 at its intersection with the Columbus-Bladen County Lines; thence southeasterly to point (2) on Road 1541, 0.7 mile east of its intersection with Road 1003; thence easterly to point (3) on Road 1544, 1.2 miles north of its intersection with U. S. Highway 701; thence southeasterly to point (4) at the intersection of U. S. Highway 701 and Road 1543; thence southerly along Red Hill Swamp and White Swamp to point (5) on Road 1749, 0.1 mile northeast of its intersection with U. S. Highway 701; thence southerly to point (6) on U. S. Highway 701, 0.1 mile southeast of its intersection with Road 1749; thence northwesterly to point (7) on Road 1585, 0.6 mile south of its intersection with Road 1002; thence westerly to point (8) on Road 1549, 0.6 mile east of its intersection with Road 1547; thence southwesterly to point (9) on Road 1547, 0.6 mile south of its intersection with Road 1549; thence northwesterly to point (10) on Road 1005, 1.6 miles southwest of its intersection with Road 1002; thence northwesterly to point (11) on Road 1002, 0.1 mile northwest of its intersection with Road 1537; thence northeasterly to point (12) on Road 1537, 0.1 mile northeast of its intersection with Road 1002; thence northerly to point (13) on Road 1537, 0.1 mile east of its intersection with Road 1534, excluding property on Roads 1537 and 1532 between this and the preceding point; thence southwesterly to point (14) at the intersection of Roads 1534 and 1532; thence northwesterly to point (15) on Road 1532, 0.2 mile south of its intersection with Road 1003, excluding property on Road 1532 between this and the preceding point; thence northwesterly to point (16) on Road 1533, 0.1 mile south of its intersection with Road 1003; thence northwesterly to point (17) on Road 1003, 0.1 mile southwest of its intersection with Road 1533; thence northeasterly to point (18) on Road 1532, 0.2 mile north of its intersection with Road 1003; thence northeasterly to point (19) at the intersection of Roads 1517 and 1530; thence northerly to point (20) on Road 1519, 0.4 mile southwest of its intersection with N. C. Highway 131; thence northeasterly to point (21) on N. C. Highway 131 at the Columbus-Bladen County Line; thence easterly along the Columbus-Bladen County Line to point (1), the beginning.

NOTE: This description describes an area of Columbus County pursuant to General Statute 153A-233 for insurance grading purposes.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - REVENUE SHARING FUND

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to approve the Revenue Sharing budget amendment in the

amount of \$21,391.00. Federal Entitlements (52-349-00) will be transferred to Interest on Investments (52-329-00) for this amendment.

HOSPITAL & LIFE INSURANCE FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES

The Administrator advised the Board that Blue Cross-Blue Shield has anticipated a 25% increase in insurance premiums for County Employees and he would like to contact other insurance companies for bids on insurance coverage.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to have a survey done by an insurance analyst to compare costs and coverage from other companies and advertise for competitive bids on insurance coverage for less premiums without decreasing the present benefits.

TAX RELEASES

The following tax releases and refunds recommended by the Tax Supervisor were approved upon motion made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously.

Ordered: That the 1981 and 1982 tax listings of Vernon Oliver, South Williams Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,250.00 due to error in transfer from Robert Buffkin.

Ordered: That the 1982 tax listing of J. T. Wooten, Jr., Chadbourn Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$650.00 due to lot not existing.

Ordered: That the 1982 tax listing of McRae Woods Development, Company, Inc., Waccamaw Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,000.00 due to the lot was sold to Gospel Enterprises, Incorporated in September, 1975. During the Revaluation, the lot was listed through error in 1981 to McRae Woods Dev. Company.

Ordered: That the 1982 tax listing of McRae Woods Development Company, Inc., Waccamaw Township, be released on the valuation of \$670.00 due to new survey of property acreage changed from 66.14 to 58.79 acres.

Ordered: That the 1981 and 1982 tax listings of American Home Improvement, Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$4,450.00. The buildings were listed as a Leasehold on S.P. Stanley and L. P. Blackman land, were owned by Murdock Smith. Mr. Smith sold the buildings in 1980 to William Garron Patterson. During the Revaluation, these buildings were improved and picked up on William Garron Patterson, but were never taken off American Home Improvement, & Murdock Smith.

Ordered: That the 1980-1982 tax listing of James Walter and Miriam Tedder, Chadbourn Township be released due to the house partially burning. 1980 valuation \$6,960.00, 1981-82 valuation \$11,200.00.

Ordered: That the 1976-1982 tax listings of Blanche Young Fields, Ransom Township, be cancelled due to the 3.6 acres she has been billed for was sold to John Alsup, February 8, 1974. Valuation 1976-1980 \$500.00. Valuation 1981-82 \$1,520.00.

Ordered: That a refund check be issued to Raymond Francis and Judy Baldwin, Route 2, Box 56A, Whiteville, NC 28472, Welches Creek Township, in the amount of \$67.68 for the year 1982 due to the 2.20 acres was sold to Max F. and Deborah High on July, 1981 and the house burned in 1981.

Ordered: That a refund check be issued to Samuel Todd Collins, Route 1, Box 247B, Hallsboro, NC 28442, Whiteville Township, in the amount of \$66.87, for the year 1982 due to tax lister listing a 1980 Oldsmobile valued at \$8,150; should have been 1970 Oldsmobile valued at \$375.00.

Ordered: That a refund check be issued to McRae Woods Development Company, Inc., % James R. Parker, P. O. Box 164, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450, in the amount of \$8.60, for the year 1981 due to the lot valued at \$1,000.00 was sold to Gospel Enterprises, Incorporated in September, 1975.

Ordered: That a refund check be issued to Willie E. and Sarah E. Martin Route 2, Box 83AA, Riegelwood, NC 28456, Ransom Township, in the amount of \$6.38 for the years 1981 and 1982 due to the .50 acres does not exist.

Ordered: That a refund check be written to Pioneer Savings and Loan, 415 South Madison Street, Whiteville, NC 28472 in the amount of \$296.85. Pioneer paid the wrong tax receipt on Shephard Keith and Beatrice P. Hayes' name. Mr. Hayes paid the one Pioneer should have paid; now Pioneer request a refund because they do not have a lien on the property they paid taxes on.

Ordered: That a refund check be written to Pioneer Savings and Loan, 415 South Madison Street, Whiteville, NC 28472 in the amount of \$54.95. Pioneer paid Harold Wayne Pate's 1982 tax receipt for this amount; should have been \$68.46. Pioneer paid the \$68.46 and Mr. Pate paid the \$54.95 and now the refund is in order.

1983-84 PROPOSED BUDGET PRESENTATION

The Administrator presented the Board with the 1983-84 Proposed Budget complete with all departments in the amount of \$14,875,057.00. The appropriations are supported by an ad valorem tax rate of .86 cents which is the same as adopted for FY 82-83.


The Administrator highlighted the budget to the Board and they are to set a meeting to begin the review and work sessions.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

APPROVED:

  
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Administrator/Clerk

  
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Chairman

The Board of Equalization and Review met in their said office at 9:00 A.M., April 20, 1983 according to adjournment.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

- L. A. Hinson, Chairman
- Junior W. Dew
- Lynwood Norris
- Larry Buffkin
- Caletta Faulk
- Vance T. Maultsby

Ralph Jolly, Clerk

The following parcels were presented to the Board for consideration:

- Mrs. Curlie Mercer                      Cerro Gordo Township      69.98 Acres  
Route 1, Box 18  
Cerro Gordo, NC
- Donell & Kate T. Dixon              Chadbourn Township      55 Acres  
P. O. Box 464  
Chadbourn, NC

Upon motion, the meeting adjourned until May 2, 1983 at 9:00 A.M. to continue meeting as a Board of Equalization and Review.

Ralph Jolly  
Ralph Jolly, Clerk

APPROVED:  
L. A. Hinson  
L. A. Hinson, Chairman

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The Board of Equalization and Review met in their said office at 9:00 A.M. May 2, 1983 according to adjournment.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

- L. A. Hinson, Chairman
- Junior W. Dew
- Lynwood Norris
- Larry Buffkin
- Caletta Faulk
- Anne Williamson
- Vance T. Maultsby

Ralph Jolly, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the following changes were approved by the Board on properties.

Property Owner	Township	Description	Valuation	
			From	To
A. Weldon Lewis	Chadbourn	1 Acre & Bldg.	\$58,130	\$43,930
A.R. & Sarah Carter	Chadbourn	Lot & Bldg.	5,250	No Change
Jesse C. Fisher	Whiteville	63 Acres & Bldg.	161,840	143,580
R. L. Cumbee	Whiteville	84 Acres	98,980	97,480
Ervin W. Stocks	Bogue	3 Lots & House	54,200	52,260
Kate B. Williamson	Cerro Gordo	48 Acres	18,660	17,900
		25.85 Acres	41,240	No Change
		2 Lots	950	No Change
		1 Lot	1,500	No Change
Kate B. & Neal Williamson	Tatum	28 Acres	10,570	10,470
Neal Williamson	Cerro Gordo	14.6 Acres	5,210	No Change
Mrs. Curlie Mercer	Cerro Gordo	69.98 Acres	49,980	47,050
Donell & Kate Dixon	Chadbourn	55 Acres	23,890	21,030

Upon motion by Junior Dew, seconded by Lynwood Norris and passed unanimously the meeting adjourned until the next fiscal year for Equalization & Review which will be set and advertised according to law.

Ralph Jolly  
Ralph Jolly, Clerk

APPROVED:  
L. A. Hinson  
L. A. Hinson, Chairman