

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 10:00 A.M., May 7, 1984, it being first Monday.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Lynwood Norris, Chairman

Junior W. Dew, Vice-Chairman

L. A. Hinson

Larry Buffkin

Caletta Faulk

James E. Hill, Jr. Attorney

Richard B. Self, Adm./Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Father Richardson, Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 16, and April 17 meetings were approved as recorded upon motion by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously.

LUMBER RIVER DEDICATION

Dempsey Herring, Recreation Director, invited the Board to attend the official dedication of the Lumber River Recreation Trail in Fair Bluff on May 16, 1984, at 9:30 A.M.

DIVISION OF FOREST RESOURCES - PRESENTATION

Laird Davison and Melvin Brown, N. C. Forestry Representatives, requested the Board to support a program that would provide a quarter of a million dollars in forestry management in Columbus County with operating cost of approximately \$20,000 to the county annually. Mr. Davison reported he would need an answer by June 8 when the General Assembly convenes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Hinson and passed unanimously to write a letter to the N. C. Forestry Service supporting the program with no firm committment until after budget time.

BUCKHEAD RESCUE SQUAD - ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Howard Stanley, Emergency Management Coordinator, requested the Board to allow the Buckhead Rescue Squad, Bolton, N.C. to operate in Columbus County and accept their Articles of Incorporation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to allow the Buckhead Rescue Squad to operate in Columbus County and accept the Articles of Incorporation.

INDIRECT COST PLAN - DAVID GRIFFITH & ASSOCIATES

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to continue the contract with David M. Griffith & Associates to prepare our Indirect Cost Allocation at an annual cost of \$7,000 and authorize the Chairman sign the necessary documents.

AWARD OF BIDS FOR STATION WAGONS - LIBRARY

The Administrator presented bids for the purchase of station wagons for the Library as follows excluding sales tax:

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| Fair Bluff Motors | 2 | 1984 Escort Station Wagons   | \$14,800.00 |
| Wheeler Chevrolet | 2 | 1984 Cavalier Station Wagons | 15,707.98   |
| Scott Motor Co.   | 2 | 1984 Cavalier Station Wagons | 15,877.18   |
| Quality Motors    | 2 | 1984 Escort Station Wagons   | 14,562.00   |

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Buffkin and passed unanimously to accept the lowest bid from Quality Motors, Whiteville, N. C.

Commissioner Dew stated, for the record, funds for one station wagon was donated by an anonymous donor and funds for the second wagon was appropriated by the State.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - LIBRARY

A motion was made by Commissioner Buffkin, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to approve the following Library budget amendment:

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| Accept   | 10-348-3100 | State Aid to Libraries Supplement | \$ 790.00 |
| Accept   | 10-348-3100 | LSCA Enrichment Grant Supplement  | 1,403.00  |
| Accept   | 10-348-3100 | LSCA Quiz Bowl Grant              | 111.00    |
| Increase | 10-630-1400 | Travel                            | 111.00    |
| Increase | 10-630-3300 | Books                             | 1,403.00  |
| Increase | 10-630-3306 | Processing                        | 790.00    |

BUDGET AMENDMENT - AGRICULTURE EXTENSION (IPM PROGRAM)

A motion was made by Commissioner Buffkin, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to amend the Agriculture Extension Budget in the amount of \$1,575.00 for IPM Program Contract Agent (10-605-45). Funds will be expended for conducting a summer pest, weed and disease survey on 350 acres of farmland.

TAX RELEASES

The following tax releases and refunds recommended by the Tax Supervisor were approved upon motion by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously:

Ordered: that the 1984 tax listing of Luberta Jones White, Chadbourn Township, Late Listing, be released on the valuation of \$700.00 due to mobile home is listed in Tatum Township on the Regular Listing, under the name of Mary Jones White, which is the same.

Ordered: that the 1983 tax listing of E. S. & Juanita Jacobs Etal, Ransom Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$1,620.00. They were billed twice for the same property.

Ordered: that the 1982 and 1983 tax listings of George T. Munn, Ransom Township, be released on the valuation of \$5,340.00 and for 1980 tax listing be released on the valuation of \$3,600.00. The house valued at \$4,940 and the shed valued at \$400.00 is property of Vina Mae Keaton and will be rebilled to her on the Late List.

Ordered: that the 1983 tax listing of Michael B. & Dorothy F. Norris, South Williams Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$7,510 due to the lot and house valued at this amount is property of Lacy Duncan effective January 1, 1983 and will be billed to him.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Homer J. and Ruth Daniels, Route 1, Box 57, Riegelwood, N. C. 28456, Ransom Township, in the amount of \$21.50 for the year 1983. The house valued \$10,350.00 was damaged by fire before January 1, 1983 and the valuation was reduced from \$10,350.00 to \$7,850.00.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Eddie Arnold Spaulding, P. O. Box 457, Hallsboro, N. C. 28442, Waccamaw Township, in the amount of \$12.12 for the years 1981, 1982 and 1983. Mr. Spaulding is being billed for 10.6 acres; should be 9.56 acres.

MILLER BUILDING BOILERS - AUCTION

The Administrator reported that the auction held at the Miller Building to sell two boilers on April 16, 1984 at 12:00 Noon, produced no bidders. We will continue to explore a way to dispose of the property.

AIRPORT DONATION FOR TRACTOR - ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

The Administrator announced that the Columbus County Airport has received a donation in the amount of \$23,000.00 from an anonymous donor for a tractor and requested the Board's approval to advertise for bids.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to allow the Administrator to advertise for bids and for the Airport Authority to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:48 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to adjourn into executive session to discuss an attorney/client matter. No action was taken.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

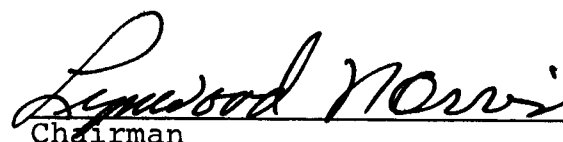
At 11:07 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously to adjourn executive session and reconvene regular session.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Faulk and passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 11:08 A.M.

APPROVED:

  
Administrator/Clerk

  
Chairman