

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 8:00 A.M., June 7, 1984, according to adjournment.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Lynwood Norris, Chairman

Junior W. Dew, Vice-Chairman

L. A. Hinson

Larry Buffkin (Arrived at 8:10 A.M.)

Caletta Faulk

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Richard B. Self, Adm./Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

The Chairman stated the purpose of the meeting was to begin work sessions on the proposed 1984-85 Budget as presented by the Administrator.

The following business was transacted before the Budget session:

FARMERS MARKET

The Administrator stated he has met with Jack Ervin, Economic Development Director, Garland McCullen, Agriculture Extension Agent, and two individual representatives from private enterprises concerning the Farmers Market and they feel that more time is needed for details. The Board reached a general concensus to delay a decision on the Farmers Market and give the group more time to obtain more information on the market.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - SOCIAL SERVICES

A motion was made by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to amend the Social Services Budget as follows:

Accept	10-348-05	State Aid Formula Nursing Home Change	\$13,311
Decrease	10-611-00	Foster Home Care	5,482
Increase	10-690-40	Public Assistance	18,793
Accept	40-336	C.P. & L. Donation	3,641
Increase	40-616-00	Crisis Intervention	3,641
Decrease	40-351-00	Incentive -IV-D	6,207
Decrease	40-397-00	General Fund	18,793
Increase	40-612-00	Aid-Dependent Children Grant	25,000

Budget Session.

CHANGES IN PROPOSED BUDGET

The Administrator advised the Board of the following changes in the proposed budget:

1. Klondyke has withdrawn their request of a tax increase of 2%, which changes their request to 7%, same as last year.
2. Acme-Delco Volunteer Fire Department has requested a tax increase of 2½%, which totals 7½%.
3. Late item - Fairgrounds request \$5,000.
4. Late item - Task Force Against Family Violence request \$1,000.

ACME-DELCO-RIEGELWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - TAX INCREASE REQUEST

Steve Camelin, Fire Chief, Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Volunteer Fire Department, gave a report on the proposed equipment replacement and a financial statement on the Fire Department and requested a 2½% tax increase.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hinson, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to hold a public hearing on June 13, 1984 at 7:30 P.M. at the Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Department concerning the 2½% tax increase and publish notification of hearing in the News Reporter and the Wilmington Star News.

Commissioner Dew made the following recommendations:

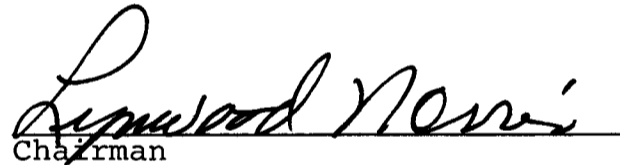
1. Decrease the Administrator's proposed salary from \$36,828 to \$35,136, plus benefits.
2. Decrease the proposed merit increases from \$70,000 to \$66,690; allocating \$26,690 to the lowest paid employees and the remaining \$40,000 for merit increases.
3. The differences of the Administrator's salary and the merit increases which is a total of \$5,000 will allow funding for the Fairgrounds request.

Upon motion by Commissioner Faulk, seconded by Commissioner Buffkin and passed unanimously, the meeting recessed at 10:30 A.M. until 8:00 A.M., June 14, 1984, at which time the meeting will reconvene for budget sessions.

APPROVED:



Administrator/Clerk



Chairman