

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 A.M. June 22, 1987, for the purpose of a Public Hearing on the 1987-88 Proposed Operating Budget.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Ed Worley, Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Samuel G. Koonce

Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Roy L. Lowe

Administrator/Clerk

Ida L. Smith
Deputy Clerk

ABSENT:

Junior Dew, Vice Chairman

NEWS MEDIA PRESENT:

Clara Cartrette, The News Reporter

Deuce Niven, The Tabor City Tribune

Joel Broadway, The Wilmington Star News

There were seven (7) other persons in attendance.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and requested that the Board take action on the following items before the public hearing.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - CONTRACTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to draft a letter to Medical Alert Services and J. L. Stanley Ambulance Services requesting that they furnish the Columbus County Emergency Management Coordinator, Howard Stanley, monthly reports on transportation services for indigent care patients. Upon receiving these reports, Mr. Stanley will approve monthly payments for these contract services.

RESOLUTION - SUPPORT OF HB 1052

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adopt a Resolution supporting HB 1052 as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

The Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, unanimously adopted the following resolution at their regular meeting on the 22nd day of June, 1987;

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County cognizant of the fact that certain changes are needed with respect to the "Certificate of Need Law"; and

WHEREAS, Senator Bob Etheridge has introduced Senate Bill 786 which is identical to House Bill 1052; and

WHEREAS, this Bill correctly addresses some of the problem areas of the Certificate of Need Law.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, that they do hereby endorse the passage of House Bill 1052 and request the legislators to proceed forward in the passage of same.

Adopted this 22nd day of June, 1987.

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe

Administrator/Clerk

/s/ Ed Worley, Chairman
Columbus County Board of
Commissioners

RESOLUTION - SUPPORT OF SB 504

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adopt a Resolution in support of SB 504 as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

The Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, unanimously adopted the following resolution at their regular meeting on the 22nd day of June, 1987;

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, Columbus County, North Carolina is an agricultural land in Southeastern North Carolina with its main agriculture crop being related to the tobacco industry; and

WHEREAS, the Border Belt Tobacco Industry has a research station located in Columbus County, Whiteville, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it has been estimated that tobacco field research cost approximately Twenty Eight Thousand (\$28,000.00) Dollars per acre and that a large amount of this investment can be due to drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, Senator R. C. Soles, Jr. has sponsored a Senate Bill 504 for the appropriation of Four Hundred Fourteen Thousand (\$414,000.00) Dollars for the construction of irrigation systems at the Piedmont and Border Belt Tobacco Research Stations; and

WHEREAS, many residents of Columbus County depend upon tobacco for their livelihood.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that they do wholeheartedly and without reservation endorse Senate Bill 504 and request that all Legislators work for and sponsor this Bill towards final passage by the North Carolina General Assembly.

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe

Adminisrator/Clerk

/s/ Ed Worley, Chairman
Columbus County Board of
Commissioners

1987-88 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET HEARING

The public hearing was then called to order by the Chairman.

The Chairman stated that anyone wishing to speak be recognized by the Chairman. The following persons spoke concerning their respective organizations and departments:

Dr. W. C. Burns, Health Department

Jo Anne Vereen, Social Services

Amanda Bible, Library

Garland McCullen, Agriculture Extension

Dempsey Herring, Recreation

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to close the public hearing.

RESUME REGULAR SESSION

The following business was transacted in regular session.

HEALTH DEPT. - CONTRACT APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrd, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve a contract agreement entered into by the Home Health Agency and Linda Nance for Registered Nurse services at the rate of \$23.00 per reimburseable visit and \$10.00 per hour for auditing discharge records.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:17 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adjourn into executive session to discuss personnel.

RESUME REGULAR SESSION

At 8:23 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to adjourn executive session and resume regular session. No action was taken.

MEETING RECESSED

Immediately, a motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to recess the meeting until 7:30 A.M., June 29, 1987.

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