

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 A.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1988 in accordance with a recessed meeting on June 20, 1988, for the purpose of a public hearing on the 1988-89 Columbus County Proposed Operating Budget.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Junior Dew, Chairman

Samuel G. Koonce, Vice Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Ed Worley

Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd

James E. Hill, Jr.
County Attorney

Roy L. Lowe
Administrator/Clerk

Ida L. Smith
Deputy Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the invocation was given by Commissioner Ed Worley.

PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED 1988-89 COLUMBUS COUNTY OPERATING BUDGET

The public hearing was called to order by the Chairman.

The Chairman stated that anyone wishing to speak be recognized by stating their name and the agency or department they were representing. The following persons spoke concerning their respective organizations and departments:

Henry Rowan, Columbus County Sheriff

Dr. Jerry Paschal, Superintendent of Whiteville City Schools

Mitchell Tyler, Superintendent of Columbus County Schools

Jo Anne Vereen, Social Services Director

Amanda Bible, Library Director

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to close the public hearing.

TAX ADMINISTRATOR - OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office for the Tax Administrator, William Dannelly Brooks, Jr., was administered by Jewell G. Thomas, Assistant Clerk of Superior Court.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF COLUMBUS

OATH OF OFFICE

I, William Dannelly Brooks, Jr., do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as Tax Collector, List Taker and Assessor of Columbus County, North Carolina, and that I will not allow my actions as Tax Supervisor/Collector to be influenced by personal or political friendships

of obligations, so help me God.

/s/ William D. Brooks, Jr.

Sworn and subscribed before
me this 29th day of June, 1988.

/s/ Jewell G. Thomas
Ass't Clerk of Superior Court

TAX ADMINISTRATOR - PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to approve the public official bond for William D. Brooks, Jr., in the amount of \$75,000 beginning July 1, 1988 and ending June 30, 1990.

MEETING RECESSED

At 8:30 A.M., the Board recessed for ten minutes.

MEETING RESUMED

At 8:40 A.M., the Chairman called the meeting back to order. The following business was transacted.

INSPECTIONS - APPROVED COUNTY INSPECTORS TO SERVE TOWN OF BRUNSWICK

The Administrator read a letter from the Town of Brunswick requesting the County Inspectors to serve in this capacity for the Town of Brunswick.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to include the Town of Brunswick in the Columbus County inspections program with no cost to the town.

1988-89 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET - ADOPTION CONSIDERED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, and seconded by Commissioner Norris to approve the 1988-89 Proposed Operating Budget as presented with the following change: Appropriate funds in the amount of \$100,000 from fund balance to be expended in schools current expense (salary increases) based on a 74.53%/25.47% ratio County Schools/City Schools.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Worley and seconded by Commissioner Byrd to adopt the 1988-89 Proposed Operating Budget as presented and incorporate a bond referendum to be held in November, 1988 in the amount of \$23,000,000; \$20,000,000 for Social Services Building, and \$3,000,000 for County and City Schools.

AYES: Commissioners Worley and Byrd

NOES: Commissioners Norris, Koonce and Dew

VOTES ON FIRST MOTION:

AYES: Commissioners Norris and Koonce

NOES: Commissioners Dew, Worley and Byrd

MEETING RECESSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to recess the meeting at 9:15 A.M. until 9:00 P.M., June 29, 1988.

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The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 9:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1988 in accordance with a recessed meeting on June 29, 1988 at 9:15 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Junior Dew, Chairman

Samuel G. Koonce, Vice Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Ed Worley

Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd

James E. Hill, Jr.
County Attorney

Roy L. Lowe
Administrator/Clerk

Ida L. Smith
Deputy Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments.

Fire Districts - Appropriate funds to Special District Tax as follows:

45-310-00	Acme-Delco/Riegelwood	\$ 5,500.00
46-310-00	Cole	16,000.00
47-310-00	Klondyke	4,000.00

To be remitted to the Districts:

45-700-92	Acme-Delco/Riegelwood	\$ 5,500.00
46-310-00	Cole	16,000.00
47-700-92	Klondyke	4,000.00

Governing Body:

Decrease 10-660-54	Non-Departmental - Insurance	\$30,858.00
Increase 10-410-54	Governing Body - Insurance	\$30,858.00

BUDGET AMENDMENTS APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments:

Debt Service:

Appropriate 20-399-00	Fund Balance	\$400.00
Expend 20-661-82	Interest on Bonds	\$400.00

Senior Center:

Accept 10-335-00	Misc. Revenue allocated from COG	\$15,319.00
Expend 10-504-74	Capital Outlay for Senior Center	\$15,319.00

Airport:

Appropriate 10-660-9999	Non-Departmental - Contingencies	\$ 7,000.00
Expend 10-650-15	M/R Buildings & Grounds - Airport	\$ 7,000.00

BUDGET AMENDMENT - REGISTER OF DEEDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve an amendment to the Register of Deeds' budget as follows:

Appropriate 10-660-9999	Non-Dep. - Contingencies	\$3,500.00
Expend 10-480-74	- Register of Deeds Computer	\$3,500.00

1988-89 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET ADOPTED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed to adopt the 1988-89 Columbus County Operating Budget as presented with appropriating funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 from Fund Balance to be divided on a 74.53/25.47 ratio for County Schools/City Schools:

AYES: Commissioners Norris, Koonce and Worley

NOES: Commissioners Dew and Byrd

BUDGET ORDINANCE 1988-89

COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina.

SECTION I. BUDGET ADOPTION 1988-89: There is hereby adopted the following Operating Budget for the County of Columbus for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988 and ending June 30, 1989; the same being adopted by fund and activity within each fund as listed.

GENERAL FUND

Revenues:

Current Year Ad Valorem Taxes	\$6,583,618
Prior Year Ad Valorem Taxes	500,000
Refunds	5,000-
Releases	50,000-
Penalty & Interest	95,000
Privilege License	2,000
Excise Tax - RD	32,000
Marriage License	4,100
Children's Trust Fund	1,400-
Interest on Investments	155,000
Rent	2,040
Miscellaneous - General Fund	175,000
Miscellaneous - Health Dept.	8,000
Miscellaneous Revenue - Library	25,000
Miscellaneous - Concessions	30,000
Intangible Taxes	375,000
Local 1 Cent Sales Tax	1,650,000
1/2 Cent Sales Tax	883,650
Second 1/2 Cent Sales Tax	523,148
1/2 Cent Sales Tax - CC Schools	281,570
Second 1/2 Cent Sales Tax	583,450
1/2 Cent Sales Tax - City Schools	99,136
Second 1/2 Cent Sales Tax	201,272
5 Cent ABC Tax	20,000
State Aid - Emergency Management	11,286
State Aid - Veterans Officer	2,000
State Aid - Soil Conservation	12,399
State Aid - DWI	10,000
100% Child Day Care - State	197,561
Aid to Health Department	43,218
Grants to Family Planning	102,839
Childhood Injury Prevention	8,155
Grants - Maternal Care	124,297
Child Health	79,182
Adolescent Health	57,500
Grants - Home Health-Seed Money	21,225
Reimbursements to Home Health	1,170,925
Grants - TC Hypertension Clinic	15,761
Grants - Glaucoma/Diabetes Clinic	41,774
Grant - Health Promotion	17,463
Grant - Crippled Children Clinic	9,663
Grants - TC W.I.C. Clinics	118,355
Grants - Tuberculosis Clinics	29,724
Aid to Social Services Administration	1,267,809
Chore Program - COG	10,726
State Aid to DSS Administration	63,353
IV-D Incentive & Cost Recovery	50,872
Certification Fees	500

Food Stamp Fraud Recovery	8,686
DSS Long Term Screening - COG	331,200
DSS Personal Care	216,000
State Aid - Literacy	105,000
Arrest Fees	40,000
Facilities Fees	50,000
Building Permits	25,000
Register of Deeds' Fees	90,000
Sheriff's Department Commissions	1,000
Jail Fees - Clerk of Court & R	30,000
Refuse Collection	4,224
Reimbursement - Rape Crisis Program	5,205
Inventory Tax	1,203,138
Senior Citizen Tax Exemption	77,432
Sales Tax (Food Stamp Loss)	73,028
Sales Tax Refund	9,000
5% Commission on Tax Collection - Riegelwood	1,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	<u>374,003</u>

TOTAL GENERAL FUND **\$18,283,087**

Expenditures:

Governing Body	\$ 105,587
County Administrator/Clerk	107,426
Elections	120,830
Finance	126,308
Tax Listing	403,970
Legal & Professional	58,980
Register of Deeds	127,399
Economic Development	112,915
Courthouse & Grounds	80,818
Robinson Building	4,220
County Hall & Grounds	61,609
Administrative Building	46,502
Senior Center	10,390
Miller Building	191,184
Public Buildings	155,630
Sheriff's Department	992,519
Victim Services	5,205
District Court	6,920
Law Enforcement Center	429,568
Emergency Management	47,616
Fire Marshall	30,770
Inspections	52,264
Solid Waste Disposal	497,834
Health Promotion	17,463
Childhood Injury Prevention	8,155
Adolescent Health	57,500
Child Health Care	79,182
Cooperative Health	499,163
Family Planning	102,839
Maternal & Child Health	124,297
Home Health	1,192,150
Hypertension	21,189
Glaucoma/Diabetes	41,774
Tuberculosis	34,929
Crippled Children	9,663
W.I.C.	118,355
Dog Warden	65,855
Coroner & Acting Medical Ex.	15,045
Extension Service	214,473
Soil Conservation Service	42,224
Veterans' Service Officer	27,964
Social Services Administration	1,593,486
Social Service Programs	1,063,796
Recreation Department	188,959
Library	454,219
Airport	23,650
Non-Departmental	176,132
Special Appropriations	<u>8,334,161</u>

TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES **\$18,283,087**

AGING FUND

Revenues:

Miscellaneous	\$ 70,140
Donations	4,600
Federal Grant	183,187
County Appropriation	44,581
TOTAL	\$ 302,508

Expenditures:

Aging Fund	\$ 46,500
Case Management	25,876
SCDF/SCDNF	37,722
Nutrition	155,388
MHRF/MHRNF	2,300
Transportation	34,722
TOTAL	\$ 302,508

DEBT SERVICE FUND

Revenues:

Transfer from General Fund	\$ 561,545
Contribution from Hospital	100,000
Contribution - Schools	32,400
TOTAL	\$ 693,945

Expenditure:

\$ 693,945

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND

Revenues:

Crisis Intervention - CP&L	\$ 2,147
State Aid-Foster Home Care	16,749
Equalizing Fund	46,781
Crisis Intervention	65,926
State Foster Care	18,415
Emergency Assistance Program	67,665
Incentive & 4D	44,211
Transfer from General Fund	1,524,041
TOTAL	\$ 1,785,935

Expenditures:

A.F.D.C.	\$ 643,195
Medicaid	704,323
Special Assistance	305,110
Foster Care	19,918
Crisis Intervention	68,073
Adoption Assistance	900
State Foster Care	36,829
Special Assistance - Blind	7,587
TOTAL	\$ 1,785,935

H.U.D. FUND

Revenue:

Annual Contribution	\$ 1,184,437
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Expenditure:

\$1,184,437

REVALUATION FUND

Revenues:

Contribution - General Fund	\$ 15,000
Fund Balance	80,450
	<u>\$ 95,450</u>

Expenditures;

\$ 95,450

FIRE TAX

Revenues:

Cole's Service District Tax	\$ 10,150
Inventory Tax	8,000

Expenditures: TOTAL	\$ 18,150
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Remittance to District	\$ 18,150
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Revenues:

Klondyke Fire District Tax	\$ 34,100
Inventory Tax	3,000

Expenditures: TOTAL	\$ 37,100
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Remittance to District	\$ 37,100
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Revenues:

Acme-Delco Fire District Tax	\$ 30,000
Inventory Tax	550

Expenditures: TOTAL	\$ 30,550
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Remittance to District	\$ 30,550
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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

All Capital Projects Continued

INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

Department Contribution	\$ 135,129
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Expenditures:	\$ 135,129
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$22,566,291
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$22,566,291
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SECTION II. TAX RATE LEVY: There is hereby levied for the fiscal year 1988-89 an ad valorem property tax on all property having a situs in Columbus County as listed for taxes as of January 1, 1988, at a rate of Ninety-one cents (0.91) per one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value of such property pursuant to and in accordance with the Machinery Act of Chapter 105 of the North Carolina General Statutes and other applicable laws. The estimated revenues from the ad valorem property tax are based on an estimated collection during the 1987-88 fiscal year of Ninety-one and 47/100 (91.47%) of the levy and the estimated taxable base of \$790,941,808.

Special district tax rate for purposes of providing fire protection are also levied as follows:

Acme Delco	\$.10
Klondyke	.07
Cole	.10

Building inspection fees are amended as reflected by Board action.

SECTION III. SCHEDULE B LICENSES: The business license fees are hereby continued for Fiscal Year 1988-89.

SECTION IV. SALARIES: The following provision shall govern salary and wage compensation for Fiscal year 1988-89.

Pay Plan

There is hereby continued a pay plan applicable to all County employees.

The pay plan shall have a range of eleven (11) steps with each step after the first step divided into two equal parts.

All County employees' salaries are hereby adjusted as a cost-of-living as follows:

Employees making less than \$10,152	7.2%
Employees making \$10,152 or more	4.8%

SECTION V. BUDGET CONTROLS: The Board of Commissioners in approving the proposed budget, has utilized to the fullest extent possible its revenue sources and the County Administrator is herein directed to initiate steps to insure that the budget fixed herein is lived within.

SECTION VI. APPROPRIATIONS: The amount of the General Fund proposed for fiscal year 1988-89 is hereby appropriated to the County Administrator for the operation of the Columbus County Government and its departments and agencies for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988 and ending June 30, 1989. In administering the program authorized under this ordinance, the County Administrator is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund between objects of expenditures within a department without limitation and without a report being requested and between departments within a fund not to exceed TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS. Appropriations for land and new buildings included in this ordinance may be expended only after release by the Board of Commissioners. The Chairman of the Board and the Administrator/Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreements within funds included in the Budget Ordinance for the following purposes:

(1) Grant agreement to Public and Non-Profit Agencies; (2) leases of normal and routine business equipment; (3) consultant, professional, or maintenance service agreements; (4) purchase of apparatus, supplies, and materials where formal bids are not required by law; (5) agreements for acceptance of state and federal grant funds; and (6) construction or repair work where formal bids are not required by law.

SECTION VII. RESTRICTED REVENUES: The Finance Officer is hereby directed to fund appropriations which have specified revenues prior to the funding with General Fund monies. This is to include, but not limited to fires and forfeitures, ABC profits and Forestry revenues.

SECTION VIII. ENCUMBRANCES: All outstanding Encumbrances from Fiscal year 1987-88 are to be carried forward to Fiscal Year 1988-89.

SECTION IX. PUBLIC PURPOSE LIMITATION: In accordance with Article V of the North Carolina Constitution which states in part, that "Power and Taxation shall be exercised...for public purpose" and/or decisions of the State Supreme Court, the County Administrator shall require the following before releasing public funds to other governmental agencies or private groups:

(1) The activity in question is for a public purpose;

- (2) The activity in question is one the County is authorized to undertake or for which the County has specific statutory authorization for giving financial aid to the agencies in question; and
- (3) Through appropriate means the County retains some degree of control over the expenditure of its funds.

SECTION X. This Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 1988.

Adopted this the 19th day of June, 1988.

Motion by Commissioner Koonce, and seconded by Commissioner Norris.

AYES: Commissioners Norris, Koonce and Worley

NOES: Commissioners Dew and Byrd

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe
Clerk to the Board

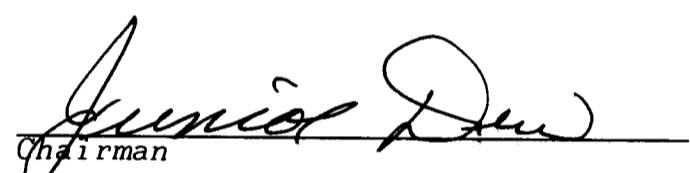
/s/ Junior Dew, Chairman
Columbus County Board of
Commissioners

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 P.M.

ADJOURNED:


Administrator/Clerk


Chairman

APPROVED
Columbus County Board
of Commissioners

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