

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 P.M., September 19, 1988, it being the third Monday.

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 Chairman called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by Reverend Joe Stanley, New Life Baptist Church.

MINUTES APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as recorded of the following meetings: August 1, 1988, August 15, 1988, August 29, 1988 and September 6, 1988.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to accept funds from the State for printing Haz-Mat Books (10-335-0000) in the amount of \$160.00 to be expended in Emergency Management - Repairs to Equipment (10-525-1600).

COUNTY SCHOOLS - RESOLUTION FOR PUBLIC SALE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

The County Administrator presented the Board with a Resolution from the Columbus County Board of Education offering the Principal's house at West Columbus High School to the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County at a fair market price as it is no longer needed or desirable for public school purposes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to reject the property as offered, and approve that the Columbus County Board of Education proceed to dispose of said property according to the procedures as set out in Chapter 160A, Article 12 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

COUNTY SCHOOLS - RESOLUTION APPROVED FOR PUBLIC SALE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

The County Administrator presented the Board with a Resolution from the Columbus County Board of Education offering the Principal's house at Chadbourn Primary School to the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County at a fair market price as it is no longer needed or desirable for public school purposes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to reject the property as offered, and approve that the Columbus County Board of Education proceed to dispose of said property

according to the procedures as set out in Chapter 160A, Article 12 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

APPOINTMENTS - SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Senior Citizen Advisory Council:

Zone 2

B.K. Goins, Route 2, Clarkton, NC - 2 year term

Zone 4

Mertice Dewitt, Route 1, Box 147, Tabor City, NC - 2 year term

PROCLAMATION - EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to proclaim the week of September 18-24, 1988 as "Emergency Medical Services Week".

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

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams devote their lives to saving the lives of others;

WHEREAS, emergency medical services teams consist of emergency physicians, nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics educators, and administrators; and

WHEREAS, the people of Columbus County benefit daily from the knowledge and skill of these trained individuals; and

WHEREAS, advances in emergency medical care increase the number of lives saved every year; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams work together to improve and adapt their skills as new methods of emergency treatment are developed; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams encourage national standardization of training and testing of emergency medical personnel and reciprocal recognition of training and credentials by the States; and

WHEREAS, the designation of Emergency Medical Services Week will serve to educate the people of Columbus County about accident prevention and what to do when confronted with a medical emergency; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services teams by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, in recognition of this event, do hereby proclaim the week of September 18-24, 1988 as

"EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK"

and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 1988.

ATTESTED BY:

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Adm./Clerk
(SEAL)

/s/ Junior Dew, Chairman

PROCLAMATION - REHABILITATION DAY PROCLAIMED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to proclaim September 27, 1988 as Rehabilitation Day in Columbus County.

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

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Division of Vocational Rehabilitation has provided high quality rehabilitation services to the handicapped citizens of Columbus County for over twenty (20) years; and

WHEREAS, various Vocational Rehabilitation services and programs have enabled hundreds of handicapped citizens to attain the highest possible physical, mental, social and vocational potential; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County taxpayers have saved thousands of dollars due to the rehabilitation and employment of the disabled citizens; and

WHEREAS, the successful rehabilitation process depends upon the support and cooperation of the people of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, for twenty (20) years, a successful cooperative program between Vocational Rehabilitation Services and the Whiteville City Schools has assisted eligible students in achieving their highest employment potentials.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County that September 27, 1988 is hereby proclaimed

R E H A B I L I T A T I O N D A Y

Unanimously adopted this 19th day of September, 1988.

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe
Administrator/Clerk

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Junior Dew, Chairman

COUNTY BUILDINGS - FHA YEARLY CONTRACT

The Administrator informed the Board that a Contract with FHA for office space has been received for the Board's approval at the rate of \$120.00 per month for the next year (the same rate as established at the beginning of the contract in 1978).

The Board reached a general concensus to table the Contract until the next Board meeting and directed the Administrator to get more information concerning the utilities and maintenance of the building and discuss with Farmers Home Administration on what cost they feel they can absorb.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - RAPE CRISIS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to approve amending the Rape Crisis budget as follows, with no cost to the County.

Accept 10-361-0000 Rape Crisis Program Grant \$25,000

To be expended as follows:

10-514-02	Salaries	\$18,000
10-514-05	FICA	1,700
10-514-06	Insurance	1,300
10-514-14	Travel	3,000

10-514-57	Miscellaneous	1,000
Accept 10-361-0000	Rape Crisis Program Grant	\$14,989

To be expended as follows:

10-514-14	Travel	\$ 5,500
10-514-32	Supplies	5,500
10-514-57	Miscellaneous	2,500
10-514-74	Equipment	1,489

ADMINISTRATION - ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Administrator presented the Board with the following activity report.

1. With the moving of Columbus County HOSPICE, Inc., the County was able to move the Veterans' Service Office, thus making room to move the American Red Cross offices from the middle of the wing to the lower level where the N.C. Youth Probation Staff is located. This move expanded the Miller Building middle floor for the Columbus County Home Health Agency. Also, Whiteville City Schools is not planning to use a double room next to the Veterans' Office which has now been cleaned and painted and is now available to use as the Inspection's office.

We now have two (2) inspectors housed in one small office in the HUD building where we have only space for one desk, 2 chairs and a file cabinet.

It is my recommendation that the Inspectors be moved from the HUD building to the Miller building and that a County employee be transferred laterally to the combination Inspections/Veterans office to provide support service to the needs of both offices.

2. When the N.C. license plate office closed, maintenance renovated the area to provide badly needed space for the DSS Food Stamp Program. The office is being occupied today by Food Stamp employees.

3. Concerning the position of Fire Marshall, it is my recommendation that the County re-advertise and state the acceptable salary range is to be based on qualifications, including experience.

4. When the ASCS office moves from the Agriculture Extension building, move Soil Conservation in the Extension Building, bring the 4-H offices down stairs to the first floor, making more available space for the courts, when needed.

Adult probation has requested the use of the space now occupied by Soil Conservation and this would free up office space for a Fire Marshal office on the second floor of the Administration Building.

5. The Blue Ribbon Capital Needs Study Committee is doing real well and should have a formal report ready for the Commissioners by the first Monday in December, 1988. The Committee meets twice monthly and is beginning to look at existing properties occupied by the County and the two school systems.

6. In order to better serve the citizens of Columbus County, the County needs to employ a full-time qualified-certified electrical inspector and adopt an updated schedule of fees to be charged - including building permits, insulation permits, plumbing permits, electrical permits, mechanical permits and mobile home installation fees.

INSPECTIONS OFFICE RELOCATION AND SECRETARY APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve relocating the Inspections office to the Miller Building, beside the Veterans' office. Further, approved the transferring of Sherry Connor from the Tax Office to fill the position of a Secretary for the Inspections/Veterans offices.

FIRE MARSHAL - READVERTISE

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the Administrator readvertise for the position as Fire Marshal with the minimum salary of \$20,016, which could be increased based on the applicant's qualifications and experience.

INSPECTIONS - ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

The Board reached a general concensus to delay the employment of an electrical inspector until a job description and an updated proposed fee schedule is prepared. At that time, the Board will consider the position.

DOT - REQUEST MEETING CONCERNING SR 1001, 1735 & 1740

Commissioner Byrd stated that intersections of State Roads 1001, 1735 and 1740 intersecting with four-lane 74-76 East of Whiteville, is very dangerous and would like for the Board to consider requesting officials from the North Carolina Department of Transportation attend a Board meeting to discuss these roads.

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrd, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to direct the Administrator contact the Department of Transportation requesting that they attend a future Board meeting to discuss the situation that exists on State Roads 1001, 1735 and 1740.

TAX RELEASES AND REFUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the tax releases and refunds as recommended by the Tax Administrator.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Robert & Ruby Simpson (heirs), Bolton Township, be released on the valuation of \$5,000; billed incorrectly.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Thomas C. Hughes, Bug Hill Township, be released on the valuation of \$10,960; failed to receive the senior-citizens's exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Peggy L. Kellihan, Cerro Gordo Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,120; motor vehicle was price incorrectly.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Nancy Pegese, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$9,990; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Joseph McPherson, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$12,000; failed to receive the disability exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Doris Scipio Dees, Chadbourn Township, be released in the amount of \$21.49; billed incorrectly with Klondyke Fire District.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Veona V. Martin, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,030; failed to receive the senior citizen's exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Josephine G. Patterson, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$19,600; house should be listed to L.B. Gamble Heirs.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Leonard R. (Sr.) & Glenni Odham, Fair Bluff Township, be released on the valuation of \$5,770; house burned prior to 1-1-88.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Federal Paper Board Company, Inc., Tatum Township, be released on the valuation of \$6,000; no bulk-barns on property.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Willie Jr., & Miriam Davis, Ransom Township, be released on the valuation of \$2,680; mobile home was already listed.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of J.D. & Vera Hinson, Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,930; due to listing error.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Kenneth Duncan, South Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$12,000; failed to receive the disability exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Frances I. McMaster, South Williams Township, be released on the valuation of \$12,000; failed to receive the disability exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Oliver & Letha Hilbourn, Waccamaw Township, be released on the valuation of \$8,260; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of C.E. & Eloise Wilson, be released on the valuation of \$25,350; incorrect pricing.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Thomas John & Rose Tarquinio, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$5,730; motor vehicle was sold 11-87.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Ernest Paul & Pauline Hardee, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$12,000; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Michael Bartley, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$7,425; personal property (tobacco equipment) was priced incorrectly.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of C.L.G., Inc., Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$22,479; billed incorrectly.

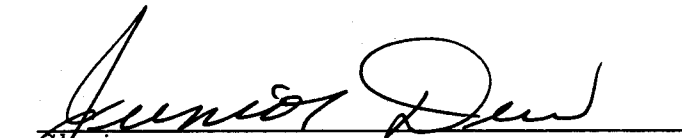
Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of J.W. Cook & Sons, Inc., Whiteville Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$335,210; requested that real property and personal property be billed separately.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Hubert Etheridge, Route 4, Box 293C, Whiteville, NC 28472, Lees Township, in the amount of \$20.82, for year 1988 due to double-listing.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Sarah Ruth Turbeville, Route 1, Box 275, Evergreen, NC 28438, Tatum Township, in the amount of \$227.59 for year 1988 due to incorrect billing.

APPROVED:


 Administrator/Clerk


 Chairman

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 Columbus County Board
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