

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 8:00 A.M., Monday, January 7, 1991, it being the first Monday.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lynwood Norris, Chairman

Ed Worley, Vice Chairman

Junior Dew

Samuel G. Koonce

Mike Richardson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk

Chairman Norris called the meeting to order and John H. Moore, Jr. gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 17, 1990, Board meeting, as recorded.

COUNTY EMPLOYEES - RETIREMENT PLAQUE PRESENTED TO SALLY MARKS

Chairman Norris presented a "plaque of appreciation" to Sally Marks who retired December 31, 1990 as follows:

IN APPRECIATION OF

SALLY G. MARKS

FOR HER LOYAL AND DEDICATED SERVICE

AS A SOCIAL WORKER SUPERVISOR III

FOR THE COLUMBUS COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

November 5, 1962 - December 31, 1990

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR - INTRODUCTION & WELCOME

Chairman Norris introduced William Lee Smith, the Economic Development Director, who became employed with the County on January 3, 1991 and welcomed him and his family to Columbus County.

PUBLIC HEARING - COUNTY-WIDE HOUSING AUTHORITY

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to call a public hearing for the purpose of the creation of a County-wide Housing Authority for Columbus County.

Haynes Graham, representing the Waccamaw Siouan Development Association, explained the advantages of a County Housing Authority and requested the Board adopt a Resolution endorsing a County-wide Housing Authority and allow WSDA to form and administer the Housing Program.

The Chairman requested anyone in attendance to speak in favor of or against the creation of a County-wide Housing Authority for Columbus County.

Several of the Board members directed questions to Mr. Graham and also Emory Worley questioned Mr. Graham.

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

HOUSING - COMMITTEE TO BE APPOINTED

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to appoint a County-wide Housing Authority Committee consisting of ten members to do a study on the issue and prepare a budget for the County-wide Housing Authority and present to the Board of Commissioners for consideration. The Committee will consist of two members from each Board member's respective zone.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - HEALTH DEPT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to approve a budget amendment for the Health Department as follows:

Accept 10-592-45 - Maternal Health Rural OB Care	\$6,500.00
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To be expended:

10-348-0801 Maternal Health Rural OB Care	6,500.00
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ANIMAL CONTROL - ORDINANCE TABLED

Carl Herring, Animal Control Officer and Marian Duncan, Health Director requested the Board's consideration in adopting the proposed Animal Control Ordinance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to table the Ordinance until several items questioned by the Board can be redrafted by the Ordinance Committee, and James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, and present back to the Board for consideration.

FIRE MARSHAL - 1989-90 PROGRESS REPORT

Jimmy Jackson, Columbus County Fire Marshal, gave a progress report for 1989-90 stating that there were 704 fires in 1989 and 574 fires in 1990. The County now has Automatic Mutual Aid which should help reduce insurance rates in the County.

FIRE & RESCUE - REQUEST TO REOPEN PENSION FUND TO VOLUNTEERS

Commissioner Ed Worley questioned Jimmy Jackson about the State Firemen's and Rescue Squad Workers' Pension Fund that will allow qualified members to purchase prior service.

Jimmy Jackson, Fire Marshal, explained that the pension fund was closed effective March 31, 1987 and it will take an act of legislature to get the fund reopened for new members.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to direct the Administrative office to write letters to Senator R. C. Soles, Jr. and Representative Leo Mercer and request that they present this issue to the N.C. General Assembly for consideration of reopening the Pension Fund.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - REPORT ON 911 SYSTEM

John H. Moore, Jr., Emergency Management Coordinator, presented the Board with an update on the 911 emergency telephone service for the County stating that a meeting is scheduled the latter part of the week to meet with all four (4) telephone companies who provide services for Columbus County.

Commissioner Koonce requested that Mr. Moore investigate the possibility of countywide toll free phone service.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - COMMUNICATIONS EVALUATION

Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator, presented the Board with an evaluation of the overall County communications from Piedmont Communications, Fayetteville, N.C. and they have presented an estimate of \$3,371.50 to replace the antenna and coax cable and raise the antenna twenty feet.

The Board concurred to direct the Administrator to receive another bid and present both bids at the next Board meeting.

TAX - WAIVE TAX PENALTY FOR COCA COLA DENIED

Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator and William D. Brooks, Tax Administrator, requested direction from the Board concerning the recent request from Coca Cola Bottling, Incorporated to waive the tax penalty on discoveries that were made on vending machines located in the county that were not listed. Mr. Brooks stated that there have been several ~~discoveries~~ made throughout the County with no waiver of penalties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to deny the request to waive penalties with the stipulation that the penalties end on the day that the request was made by Coca Cola Bottling Company.

AGRICULTURE EXTENSION - APPROVAL OF 4-H FUND BANK ACCOUNT

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to designate the Agriculture Extension 4-H Agent, William E. Triplett, to maintain a bank account for the 4-H Club with the Finance Officer, Gayle Godwin also having signatory authority. Resolution is on file in the office on the Clerk to the Board.

LOWER CAPE FEAR WATER & SEWER - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR INTER-BASIN TRANSFER

The Administrator presented a bill from the Lower Cape Fear Water and Sewer Authority requesting the County make an additional payment of \$3,653.29 in reference to legal cost in the interbasin transfer litigation.

The Board reached a general consensus to table the request for additional funding until the Administrator can obtain more information concerning the interbasin water transfer legal fees.

RAPE CRISIS - REQUEST FOR FUNDING DENIED

The Administrator presented a request from Angelia Rhodes, representing Rape Crisis, in the amount of \$5,000.00 for financial support of the Domestic Violence volunteer work in Columbus County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Koonce and passed unanimously to deny the request as this is a state funded program.

TAX RELEASES & REFUNDS

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

Eloise G. Bass; H-5-35A, acreage reduced to 6.9 acres. (Refund for year 1989). Amount \$35.25, valuation \$4,700, year 1990, account #13-01480.

Robert Mitchell & Judy Bowen; clerical error. Listed in due time. Amount \$17.54, year 1990, account #16-01400.

Roscoe Bozeman; F-2-39, old house demolished for year 1990. Amount \$10.20, valuation \$1,500, year 1990, account #12-02085.

Anita Cavanaugh; H-2-61B double-listed to H-2-61A, Mabel Bradley #12-02100. Amount \$27.88, valuation \$4,100, year 1990, account #12-05460.

Mrs. Alta Hayes; N-10-87 billed with house listed to Tommy Gore on #03-09600 on map N-10-85-B. Also, Mrs. Hayes overpaid and is due a refund. Amount \$556.32, valuation \$68,695, year 1990, account #03-10860.

John H. Jacobs Heirs; unidentified property double-listed to Thomas & Clemmon Jacobs. Amount \$656.96, valuation \$81,560, years 1981-90, account #15-19940.

Algernan McKenzie; vehicle listed in Guilford County. Amount \$6.89, valuation \$920, year 1990, account #01-56246.

Melvin T. & Hilda Ray; 1987 Buick double-listed to GMAC. Amount \$47.92, valuation \$6,390, year 1990, account #01-75060.

George Perry & Mary Ella Shaw; vehicle double-listed to Mary Ella Shaw on 15-33543. Amount \$24.26, valuation \$3,110, year 1990, account #15-33400.

Tabor City Furniture Outlet; business equipment and machinery billed to Tabor City Family Medicine on 06-39083. Amount \$581.94, valuation \$85,579, year 1990, account #06-03990.

Trinity Baptist Church % Harry Simmons; WH-3-781 is tax exempt. Amount \$155.20, valuation \$19,600, year 1990, account #01-83417.

Don Wayne & Francis Williamson; clerical error. Amount \$30.00, valuation \$4,412, year 1990, account #07-19180.

James Henry Yeomen; HB-3-18, house double-listed to James & Louise Elkins. Amount \$125.06, valuation \$16,900, year 1990, account #11-31163.

United States of America/FHA; 0-1-26 and 0-1-24 properties owned by FHA on 1/1/90, not sold on 7/1/90, tax exempt. (N-2-18 was sold 2/21/90). Amount \$601.80, valuation \$88,500, account #14-17161.

Mrs. W. F. Bordeaux; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption on \$6,400 valuation. Amount \$45.90, valuation \$6,400, year 1990, account #15-03420.

Harvey D. & Flora Cross; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption on H-7-27. Amount \$81.60, valuation \$12,000, year 1990, account #13-09500.

Barber McLelland; failed to receive senior-citizen's exemption on CH-1-157. Amount \$81.60, valuation \$12,000, year 1990, account #13-26141.

Hollon M. & Dorothy Norris; failed to receive the Disability Exemption on F-10-7. Amount \$88.80, valuation \$12,000, year 1990, account #06-27820.

John B. Thurman; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption on HB-3-253. Amount \$8,160, valuation \$12,000, year 1990, account #11-27660.

Doris Jean Bass; 1978 Chevrolet wrecked and demolished prior to 1-1-86. Amount \$23.65, valuation \$2,500, year 1986, account #17-01250.

Geraldine Jones Greene; penalty already applied on account #17-16118. Amount \$100.00, year 1990, account #17-16118.

Charla Sue Tedder; vehicle double-listed to Marvin Tedder on #11-37076. Amount \$161.34, valuation \$8,200, year 1989, account #17-37076.

Shirley Ann Thompson; 1976 Ford and 1974 Mercury junked prior to 1988. Amount \$10.52, valuation \$1,050, year 1988, account #17-37545.

Leamon Paul and Patricia Ward; does not own a 1980 Toyota. Amount \$108.53, valuation \$1,140, year 1989, account #17-39286.

John Wallace Young; 1977 Chevrolet junked in 1987. Amount \$12.64, valuation \$1,690, year 1988, account #17-42445.

Release the 1990 "user fees" for the following:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>
John D. & Judith Ball	\$30.00	03-00520
A.W. Barnhill	30.00	11-01240
Clarence & Lenora B. Benton	30.00	01-04760
Jerry Truman & Addie Blackwell	18.00	10-01040
Mrs. W.F. Bordeaux	30.00	15-03420
Robert Mitchell & Judy Bowen	30.00	16-01400
Charles W. & Mary Burris	60.00	01-10960
Giles & Eloise Byrd (Seasonal)	100.00	11-04800
Giles Byrd	30.00	08-02240
Eva Lee Edmund	12.00	01-22807
Billy F. & Shirley Floyd	18.00	10-05385
Kenneth Earl & Jane Gore	30.00	07-06620
Elwood H. Hardin	18.00	13-17860
John W. & Diane Hardwick	20.00	11-12150
Scott & Lisa Hooks	30.00	13-19940
Verne L. Hufman	30.00	15-19100
Ernest Mayo Kissam, Jr.	30.00	12-14280
Horace (Heirs) & Bertha McKee	30.00	07-11540
Philip & Doris Marlowe	30.00	03-16280
Jerry D. Mitchell	30.00	08-12845
Pierce & Co., Inc.	60.00	11-19320
Thomans L. Price	30.00	11-21600
Bonnie Ray Prince	30.00	09-24220
Joseph B. Shulken	18.00	08-16220
Elton H. Soles	30.00	01-87140

Mrs. Dorothy D. Spivey	18.00	13-37660
Elson H. & Retha Stevens	18.00	06-36860
Calton & Ella L. Thompson	72.00	01-93200
Taft & Beulah Jane Turbeville	30.00	09-30880
E. Ben & Martha Ward	30.00	02-01301
Robert E. & Jean Ward	30.00	09-32580
R.W., Jr. & R.W., III Weaver	18.00	13-42947
James Willard White	30.00	03-29160
Miss Mae Worley	30.00	10-19220
James Henry Yeomen	30.00	11-31163

Joe Blake & Ann Barefoot; property not in the Whiteville Rescue District. Amount \$5.20, valuation \$26,000, year 1990, account #11-00980.

Giles & Eloise Byrd; Property not in the Whiteville Rescue District. Amount \$1.78, valuation \$8,900, year 1990, account #14-02740.

Giles & Eloise Byrd; property not in the Whiteville Rescue District. Amount \$112.76, valuation \$563,790, year 1990, account #11-04800.

Leamon D. & Lillian Cribb; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$4.01, valuation \$34,410, year 1990, account #03-04280.

Everline & Annie Davis; property not in the Brunswick Fire District. Amount \$10.53, valuation \$62,640, year 1990, account #01-19580.

Linwood T. & Martha Edge; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$67.76, valuation \$124,700, year 1990, account #03-05580.

William Frederick Ehlers; property not in the Whiteville Rescue District. Amount \$18.07, valuation \$90,360, year 1990, account #14-04840.

Monroe Jr. & Monroe Sr. Enzor; property not in the Cole Fire District. Amount \$21.50, valuation \$21,500, year 1990, account #10-04780.

John Wayne & Diana Hardwick; property not in the Yam City Fire District. Amount \$10.32, valuation \$25,800, year 1990, account #09-12740.

Helen F. Holden; property not in the Brunswick Fire District. Amount \$9.48, valuation \$63,200, year 1989, account #01-29960.

Willie M. Long; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$14.09, valuation \$47,710, year 1990, account #03-15080.

T.M. McKenzie, L. Moore, D. Pridgen; clerical error on WH-4-44, 56, 57, 62, 63, & 58. Amount \$13.72, year 1990, account #01-56380

Junior & Alene McPherson; property is in Waccamaw Township (LW-4-32). Amount \$25.97, valuation \$43,280, year 1990, account #09-19160.

Lee H. & Lina Milligan; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$9.34, valuation \$121,980, year 1990, account #03-16620.

Audrey Rudolph Pridgen; property not in the Hallsboro Fire District. Amount \$59.33, valuation \$98,890, year 1990, account #14-12380.

J.W. Reeves; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$17.65, valuation \$22,060, year 1990, account #03-18660.

John David & Sadie Ward; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$10.43, valuation \$54,940, year 1990, account #03-27120.

Virgil V. Ward; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$13.04, valuation \$16,300, year 1990, account #03-28040.

Harold B. & Elizabeth Wells; double billed for the Whiteville Rescue District. Amount \$10.12, valuation \$50,600, year 1990, account #02-03881.

Mrs. Rebert E. White; property not in the Old Dock Fire District. Amount \$100.43, valuation \$140,160, year 1990, account #03-29220.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Eloise G. Bass, 5204 Amity Springs Drive, Charlotte, NC 28212, in the amount of \$35.25, for year 1989.

H-5-35-A acreage reduced to 6.9 acres. Valuation \$4,700, account #13-01480.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Alice Hayes, Route 1, Box 354, Nakina, NC, 28455, in the amount of \$91.20, for year 1990. Billed incorrectly (N-10-87) with house already listed to Tommy Gore on N-10-85 (Mrs. Hayes overpaid). Amount \$91.20, valuation \$13,412, year 1990, account #03-10860.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Ray Martin, Route 3, Box 209, Chadbourn, NC 28431, in the amount of \$1.87, for year 1990. Personal property (2 trailers) double-listed on account #13-26915. Valuation \$250, account #13-26915.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Allie W. Meares, Route 1, Box 128-B, Whiteville, Nc 28472, in the amount of \$75.03, for year 1990. Failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption on I-10-50. Valuation \$10,140, account #09-20220.

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Mrs. Winnie Mae Nobles, Route 1, Box 53, Cerro Gordo, NC 28430, in the amount of \$88.80, for year 1990. Failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption on F-8-22. Valuation \$12,000, account #13-30945.

GOVERNING BODY - BOARD MEETING TIME CHANGE

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution:

**NOTICE AND RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, at their meeting on the 7th day of January, 1991, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, have presently regularly scheduled meetings at 7:30 P.M., on the third Monday of each month; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County North Carolina, are desirous of changing the time and the date for the meeting for the third Monday in January, 1991, only.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-40 that the Board shall meet at 8:00 o'clock, A.M. in the Board Room of the Columbus County Administrative Building, 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, on the third Tuesday, January 22, 1991, due to the third Monday being a Legal Holiday.

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that a copy of this Resolution and Notice shall be placed on the Courthouse Bulletin Board, as well as mailed to all of the news media who has requested notice.

ATTEST:

/s/ Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

/s/ Lynwood Norris, Chairman

Columbus County Board of
Commissioners

SOCIAL SERVICES - SCREEN BUILDING ARCHITECTS

The Board reached a general consensus to direct the Administrator to screen the architect firms to prepare plans for the Social Services Building to three and present to the Board for consideration of approval.

MEETING RECESSED

At 9:20 A.M., the Board concurred to recess the meeting to allow time for Senator R.C. Soles, Jr. and Representative Leo Mercer to address the Board.

MEETING RESUMED

At 9:40 A.M., Chairman Norris called the meeting back to order.

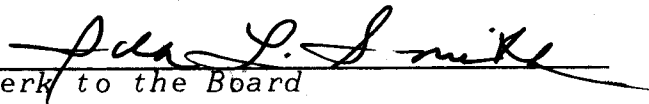
GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION - SENATOR R.C. SOLES, JR. & REPRESENTATIVE LEO MERCER

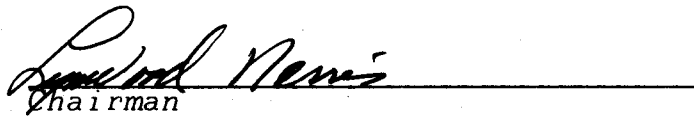
Senator R.C. Soles, Jr. and Representative Leo Mercer stated that the General Assembly will go back in session on January 30, 1991 and they need to know what the Board's concerns are. Senator Soles further stated that the Board can present items of concern for 30 - 60 days, beginning January 30, 1991. Also, Senator Soles and Representative Mercer invited the Board, County Attorney, County Administrator, and Clerk to the Board to the swearing-in ceremonies at 12:00 Noon at the State Capitol and the reception at 3:00 P.M. at the Brownstone Inn, Raleigh, NC.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:55 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED:


Clerk to the Board


Chairman