

COLUMBUS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met at the Cherry Grove Community Center, Columbus County, North Carolina, at 7:30 P.M., October 17, 1995, for the purpose of holding a public hearing to consider defining a new extension to the tax service district known as Cole's Fire, Ambulance and Rescue Service District.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sammie Jacobs, Chairman

Lynwood Norris, Vice Chairman

Spruell Randolph Britt

A. Dial Gray, III

C. W. Williams

C. E. "Gene" Wilson

James E. Hill, Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring
Interim Administrator

Ida L. Smith
Clerk to the Board

ABSENT:

David L. Dutton, Jr.

There were approximately fifty (50) residents present from the Cherry Grove area.

Chairman Jacobs called the meeting to order and Commissioner Williams gave the invocation.

Chairman Jacobs stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to consider a new extension to the service district known as Cole's Fire, Ambulance, and Rescue Service District to provide fire protection and emergency medical service to an area outside the town limits of Fair Bluff that encompasses an area approximately three (3) miles wide and six (6) miles long.

The Chairman stated that each person wishing to speak to be recognized by raising their hand and stating their name.

The Chairman turned the meeting over to Butch Meares, Chief, of the Cole's Fire, Ambulance and Rescue Department.

Mr. Meares welcomed everyone present and stated that the existing tax rate for the Cole's Fire, Ambulance and Rescue is \$0.10 per \$100.00 property evaluation and the extension would generate approximately \$10,000.00 to \$12,000.00 annually. Mr. Meares also stated that a sub-station to house fire equipment is proposed to be constructed on property presently owned by Ralph Strickland.

The following persons commented on the proposed extension service district:

Dan Strickland

Joe Nance

Chuck Powers

James Worley


There being no further comments, the Chairman requested a vote from the persons in favor of and/or opposed to the proposed extended fire service district and the rate of \$0.10 per \$100.00 property.

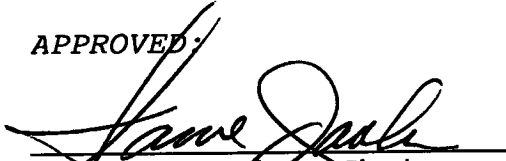
FOR: 50

AGAINST: 0

Chairman Jacobs stated that the Board will take the request for extending the Cole's Fire and Rescue District into consideration.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.


Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

APPROVED:

Sammie Jacobs, Chairman