

COLUMBUS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC at 7:30 P.M., July 21, 1997, for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting, it being the third Monday.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

C.W. Williams, Chairman

Lynwood Norris, Vice Chairman

Spruell Randolph Britt

David L. Dutton, Jr.

A. Dial Gray, III

Sammie Jacobs

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring
Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

The meeting was called to order by Chairman C.W. Williams and the invocation was given by Commissioner C.E. "Gene" Wilson.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt, and passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the July 7, 1997 Board Meeting as recorded.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to approve the following consent agenda items.

Tax Release:

Rodney Fowler: Leasehold K-12-3 does not exist. Amount \$8.44, valuation \$100.00, year 1987-90, bill # (19242, 19758, 59539, 92118).

Budget Amendments:

Appropriate 10-399-0000 Fund Balance \$21,321.00
(Reserved from FY 1996-97)

Expend as follows:

10-513-0200 Salaries	\$13,667.00
10-513-0500 FICA	2,178.00
10-513-1100 Telephone	751.00
10-513-1101 Postage	92.00
10-513-1400 Travel	200.00
10-513-3200 Office Supplies	273.00
10-513-4500 Contract Services	500.00
10-513-5700 Miscellaneous Expense	242.00
10-513-7400 Capital Outlay	3,418.00

Appropriate 10-399-0000 Fund Balance \$ 7,665.00
(Reserved from FY 1996-97)

Expend 10-620-3400 Special Projects \$ 7,665.00

Appropriate 10-348-2200 CDBG - SCC Microenterprise \$ 3,295.00
Appropriate 10-399-0000 Fund Balance 10,018.00
(Reserved from FY 1996-97)

Expend 10-700-9000 SCC Microenterprise \$13,313.00

Appropriate 11-399-0000 Fund Balance \$ 5,480.00
(Reserved from FY 1996-97)

Expend as follows:

11-510-3300 Departmental Supplies	\$ 480.00
11-510-7400 Capital Outlay	5,000.00

Appropriate 10-336-0200 Brinkley Park - Lake Waccamaw \$ 7,500.00
Accept 10-348-2500 NCDEHNR - E. Brinkley Park 29,925.00

Expend as follows:

Decrease 10-620-3400 Special Projects	(\$ 7,500.00)
Increase 10-620-6500 E. Brinkley Park - County Match	44,925.00

RESOLUTION (DOT) - STREETS TO BE ADDED STATE SYSTEM

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution to add specified streets to the State System subject to completion of the 9-1-1 addressing.

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**REQUEST FOR ADDITION TO STATE MAINTAINED SECONDARY ROAD
SYSTEM**

North Carolina

County of Columbus

Road Description: The three (3) sections of Road listed below will be named Livingston Hills Road.

WHEREAS, the attached petition has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus requesting that the above described road, the location of which has been indicated in red on the attached map, be added to the secondary Road System; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that the above described road should be added to the Secondary Road System, if the road meets minimum standards and criteria established by the Division of Highways of the Department of Transportation for the addition of roads to the System.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus that the Division of Highways is hereby requested to review the above described road, and to take over the road for maintenance if it meets established standards and criteria.

CERTIFICATE

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus at a meeting on the 21st day of July 1997.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this the 21st day of July, 1997.

/s/ Ida L. Smith
Clerk, Board of Commissioners
County of Columbus

***PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Livingston Street from SR 1822 to Pine Street - 1,466'
2. Pine Street from Livingston Street to Bullock Street - 1,128'
3. Bullock Street from Pine Street to SR 1821 - 477'

**INTERAGENCY TRANSPORTATION - DISABLED TRANSPORTATION
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FUNDS APPROVED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to approve the following Certified Statement for Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program as follows.

State of North Carolina

County of Columbus

Appendix C

Certified Statement

FY 1997-98

Pursuant to G.S. 136-44.27, the North Carolina Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program, this is to certify that the undersigned is the duly elected, qualified and acting chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus, North Carolina, and that the following statements are true and correct:

1. That the funds received pursuant to G.S. 136-44.27 will be used to provide additional transportation services for the elderly and disabled, exceeding the quantity of trips provided prior to the receipt of these funds.
2. That the funds received pursuant to G.S. 136-44.27 will not be used to supplant existing Federal, State or local funds designated to provide elderly and disabled transportation services in the county.
3. That the funds received pursuant to G.S. 136-44.27 will be used in a manner consistent with the local Transportation Development Plan and application approved by the NC Department of Transportation and the Board of Commissioners.
4. That any interest earned on these funds will be expended in accordance with G.S. 136-44.27.
5. That the funds received pursuant to G.S. 136-44.27 will not be used toward the purchase of capital equipment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 21st day of July 1997 .

Attest:

/s/ Ida L. Smith
Certifying Official

/s/ C.W. Williams
Board of County Commissioners, Chairperson

State of North Carolina
County of Columbus

/s/ Dempsey B. Herring
County Manager/Administration

Subscribed and sworn to me this 21st day of July, 1997.

(Seal)

/s/ June B. Hughes
Notary Public

My commission expires 09-25-98.

ORDINANCE - REGULATE HUNTING

A motion was made by Commissioner Britt, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to adopt a Bill entitled: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HUNTING FROM THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PUBLIC ROADS IN COLUMBUS COUNTY as follows:

HOUSE BILL 516

SHORT TITLE: Columbus Road Hunting. (Local)

Section 1. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill any wild animal or wild bird with a firearm on, from, or across the right-of-way of any public road or highway in Columbus County without first obtaining the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land abutting the road or the land across which the weapon is being discharged.

Section 2. Section 1 of this act does not apply to the owner or lessee of the real property. A hunter recovering dogs shall not be in violation of Section 1 of this act so long as all of the hunter's weapons remain in a motor vehicle.

Section 3. Violation of this act is a Class 3 misdemeanor.

Section 4. This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

Section 5. This act applies only to Columbus County.

Section 6. This act becomes effective October 1, 1997.

APPOINTMENTS - YOUTH TASK FORCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to appoint the following persons to serve on the Youth Task Force Board of Directors for three (3) year terms, with terms expiring June 30, 2000.

Rachel Brown

Vicky Hardy

Marshall Shepherd

Ed Worley to replace Tim Moore

Also, the Board appointed Carl Gryczynski to serve the unexpired term of Patricia Ray, who resigned, with term expiring June 30, 2000.

APPOINTMENT - TABOR CITY PLANNING & ZONING BOARD

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to reappoint Ronald Ward to serve on the Tabor City Planning & Zoning Board as the Extraterritorial Member for a three (3) year term, with term expiring April 2000.

APPOINTMENT - TABOR CITY ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to appoint Jimmy Hewett to serve on the Tabor City Zoning Board of Adjustment to fill the unexpired term of Henry Taylor, with term expiring April 1998.

TAX - INSOLVENT LIST DECLARED

Ida McPherson, Tax Collector II, reported that certain personal property taxes levied for years 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995 remain uncollected and are not liens upon real estate and requested taxes be declared insolvents.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to declare the 1987-1995 uncollected taxes as presented in the amount of THREE HUNDRED THIRTY ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR AND 41/100 DOLLARS (\$331,224.41) be declared insolvent. The list of insolvents is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Board.

FIRE & RESCUE (ACME-DELCO-RIEGELWOOD) - REQUEST FOR CONTRACT**APPROVAL TABLED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dutton and passed unanimously to table the request from Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire Department to approve a Contract and Agreement to secure a loan through Farmers Home Administration in the amount of \$320,000.00 for the purchase of a new fire truck with a two (2) story ladder extension.

NC ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE - VOTING**DELEGATE DESIGNATED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to designate Commission Chairman C.W. Williams as the voting delegate for the N.C. Association of County Commissioners 1997 Annual Conference to be held in Guilford County on August 14-17, 1997 to represent Columbus County.

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BUILDING - COST FOR SPACE APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Britt and passed unanimously to approve the Lease of Collocated Space for the Agricultural Services Building to provide offices for the Columbus County Farm Services Agency. The bid of \$10.00/square foot includes 5,800 square feet for utilities, maintenance, janitorial services, rolling file storage system and new furniture for all employees with the exception of the County Executive Director (CED) and the County Committee (COC) does not need new furniture.

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT II - APPROVAL OF PAYMENT FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the payment of the Preliminary Engineering Report for the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II from Hobbs, Upchurch & Associates. Also, the Board approved a budget amendment in the amount of \$13,000.00 from Non-Departmental - Contingency (10-660-9999) to be expended in Legal & Professional Services

(10-470-0402).

LIBRARY (NAKINA) - ENDORSEMENT OF CREATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Gray, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to request the Columbus County Library Board and Deborah Marrs, Director, and the Columbus County Board of Education and Tommy Nance, Superintendent, to investigate the possibility of the establishment of a branch library at the former Nakina High School campus for school use, as well as public use.

MEETING RECESSED - ASSEMBLED AS COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT I AUTHORITY

A motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to recess the Board Meeting at 7:55 P.M. to assemble as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Authority.

The Columbus County Water & Sewer District Minutes are recorded in the Water & Sewer District I Minute Book 1, Pages 133-136.

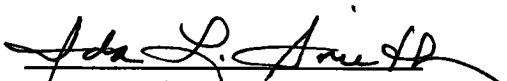
BOARD MEETING RESUMED

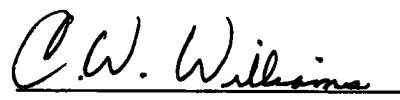
At 8:00 P.M., A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the Water and Sewer District I Meeting and resume regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

Immediately, thereafter, a motion was made by Commissioner Dutton, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the Board Meeting.

APPROVED:


Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board


C.W. Williams, Chairman