

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, June 2, 2003

7:15 P.M.

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building located at 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing and to hold their regular scheduled meeting on the first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

C.E. "Gene" Wilson, **Chairman**
 Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
 David L. Dutton, Jr.
 Kipling Godwin
 Sammie Jacobs
 Amon E. McKenzie
 Lynwood Norris

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Billy Joe Farmer, **County Administrator**
 James E. Hill, Jr., **County Attorney**
 Darren L. Currie, **Assistant County Administrator**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**

PUBLIC HEARING (CDBG #03-C-1089):

Chairman Wilson announced this is the second of the two (2) required public hearings for this grant. The purpose of this hearing is to receive views and comments from the public relative to this grant. This is a repeat of the second required public hearing held on September 16, 2002 due to the Public Hearing not being properly advertised as required by State regulations. Chairman Wilson asked if anyone in the audience would like to state any comments. There was no response. Chairman Wilson asked if anyone else had any comments they would like to make. Floyd Adams, The Adams Company, Incorporated, stated the following:

This grant includes the following two (2) areas:

C-1 Funds:

- A. Pine Circle - Three (3) Rehabilitations, One (1) Relocation and two (2) Demolitions
- B. Henry Jones Road - Three (3) Rehabilitations, Three (3) Relocations and Three (3) Demolitions

Total C-1 Funds: \$595,000.00

L-1 Funds:

- Stake Road - Seven thousand two hundred (7,200) Linear Feet of eight (8") inch water line for twenty-one (21) houses

Total L-1 Funds: \$105,000.00

TOTAL PROJECT FUNDS: \$700,000.00

At 7:21 P.M., Commissioner Norris made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item # 1 and 2: REGULAR SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:30 P.M., Chairman Wilson called Regular Session to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner McKenzie. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Agenda Item #3: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the May 19, 2003 Board Meeting Minutes and the May 22, 2003 Budget Workshop Minutes as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

PERSONNEL - EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR HIRED (RONALD BURTON HAYES):

Commissioner Jacobs informed the Board that interviews had been conducted for the past three (3) weeks and that fourteen (14) great applications had been received and the applicants had been interviewed. Commissioner McKenzie, Commissioner Godwin and myself, along with other staff have sit in on these interviews. All the applicants were good and through discussion, we have narrowed the selection down to Ronald Burton Hayes. After all the interviews were completed, we offered the position of Columbus County Emergency Services Director to Ronald Burton Hayes and he has accepted contingent upon the Board's approval. Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to employ Ronald Burton Hayes as the Columbus County Emergency Services Director, seconded by Commissioner Dutton. The motion so carried. No employment date or starting salary was discussed. Chairman Wilson asked Mr. Hayes if he had any comments he would like to make.

Robert Burton Hayes, the newly hired Columbus County Emergency Services Director, returned thanks to the County Commissioners for their approval and stated he looked forward to working with everyone.

Commissioner Jacobs thanked the Sheriff's Department, the fire and rescue departments and Dr. O'Brecht for their input in this process of selecting a new Columbus County Emergency Services Director.

LETTER of THANKS:

Chairman Wilson stated a letter had been received from Chief Edwin Ezzell, President of the Columbus County Fire and Rescue Association and it reads as follows:

June 2, 2003

Columbus County Commissioners
111 Washington Street
Whiteville, North Carolina 28472

Gentlemen:

As the President of the Columbus County Fire and Rescue Association, I personally would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the way the County Commissioners and the County Administrator have involved representation from our association in the selection process for both the Fire Marshal and now the Emergency Services Director. It is very important for all to work together in furthering the services we provide the citizens of Columbus County.

In this day of the first responder and the monumental tasks of homeland security, it is vital to our survival that we are aggressive and yet methodical in the development of a team concept in emergency services. It is also mandatory that we not loose site of a positive plan for this county and its emergency service providers in staying proactive, not reactive.

It is clear and evident that the leaders of our county are working to strive to improve the quality of services the county offers through the various emergency responders by their actions in allowing us to be a part of the development of this growing and yet ongoing tasks.

Kindest Personal Regards,
/s/ Chief Edwin Ezzell

Agenda Item #4: CHAF PROGRAM UPDATE:

Floyd Adams, The Adams Company, Incorporated, presented the following update to the Board on the Columbus County CHAF Program.

Columbus County Summary Sheet

CHAF Program

Previous
May 16, 2003

TOTAL HOUSES				491		
Houses Inspected				491		
Replacement				295	295	
Repair				196	196	
Repair Work				196		
Work Write-up				0	0	
Bids Complete, Not Awarded				0	0	
Board Awarded, No Construction				5	5	
Title Opinion NOT Requested						0
Waiting on Title Opinion						0
Waiting on Prom. Note/D.O.T.						3
Waiting on Contractor						2
Under Construction				34	36	
Complete				157	155	
Replacement Work				295		
Work Write-up				0	0	
Board Awarded, No Construction				5	11	
Title Opinion NOT Requested						0
Waiting on Title Opinion						5
N.O.E. Not Sent						3
Waiting on Client						3
Under Construction				88	91	
Complete				202	193	
Not Visited				0	0	
Legal Work						
Total Titles NOT Requested				0	0	
Total Titles Requested				491	491	
Titles Requested, Not Complete				2	5	
Preliminary Title Complete				49	47	
Prom. Note/D.O.T. Requested, Not Signed				49	53	
Prom. Note/ D.O.T. Recorded				391	386	

Mr. Adams stated the replacement work would run into the month of September, 2003 to be completed.

Agenda Item #5: CHAF PROGRAM - RELEASE of PROMISSORY NOTE for YOLANDA LONG:

James E. Hill, Jr., Columbus County Attorney, is requesting Board permission to cancel the Promissory Note and Deed of Trust dated January 9, 2003 for Yolanda Long due to a problem in obtaining the house. Ms. Long has chosen another house with a new Deed of Trust and Promissory Note dated May 13, 2003. Due to an oversight, the old Promissory Note and Deed of Trust was never cancelled and there cannot be two (2) Promissory Notes and two (2) Deeds of Trust on record. These documents will be kept on file in the Columbus County CHAF Office and the office of the Clerk to the Board for inspection. Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve James E. Hill, Jr., Columbus County Attorney, to cancel the Promissory Note and Deed of Trust bearing date of January 9, 2003 for Yolanda Long of the Columbus County CHAF Program, seconded by Commissioner Godwin. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item #6: PERSONNEL - MEDICAL SUPPLEMENT for all PREVIOUS COUNTY RETIREES:

The following previous Columbus County retirees are requesting the Board to amend the

Medical Insurance Amendment made to the Personnel Administration Policy on May 21, 2001 to become effective July 1, 2001, to include previous retirees for eligibility.

1. Emogene Suggs: I was employed with Columbus County from March 2, 1965 until March 31, 1989. I have provided each of you with a handout which reads as follows:
 TO: The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners

 FROM: Columbus County Employees Who Retired Before 07/01/2001

 SUBJECT: Health Insurance Coverage For Retired Columbus County Employees Who Retired Before 07/01/2001

This group here tonight is representative of Columbus County employees who are not provided health insurance coverage by the County but are retired. We are here to request health insurance coverage be provided to us as is provided to employees who retire now and meet certain qualifications as set out in the County's Personnel Plan, which was effective July 1, 2001.

We have already written this request to the Chairman and it has been made known to the Board and other County Administrative personnel during this budget planning year.

These retired employees have worked for the County from twenty years up to over forty years and feel we deserve this benefit as well as the present employees. There are other counties who provide this benefit. We tried to get a list of these counties and were promised that we would get it before this time but it has not arrived as yet.

Most, if not all, of this group would qualify for the Medicare Supplement, which is less expensive than the regular policy as we are sure you are concerned about the expense.

We have a good cross section represented with us tonight and there are many reasons that more are not here such as health problems, family obligations, confined to nursing homes or wheelchairs, no longer in Columbus County, not drive at night, etc. There are a few we have not been able to contact but every person we talked with fully supports us in our efforts to get this passed. Some have no insurance at all, and some have very minimal coverage.

We feel sure you have been contacted by several of these retired employees asking for your support. We appreciate you allowing us to take your time for you to listen to us and will greatly appreciate any consideration you give us.

Thanks.

2. Alice Wright: I am eighty-five (85) years old. I was employed with Columbus County from 1949 until 1976 as the Department of Social Services Director. I worked for thirty-five (35) year and ten (10) months and retired . The County has just started providing insurance benefits for the employees when I retired. I did not receive any insurance benefits during my tenure.
3. Helma English: I was employed with Columbus County from 1963 until 1996 when I retired for a period of thirty-three (33) years. I would like to see this benefit extended to the past retirees. I am now paying three hundred sixteen and 00/100 (\$316.00) dollars for a supplement and that includes drugs.

Chairman Wilson asked the other retirees who were present what they were paying for their supplemental insurance policy and the average amount being paid was one hundred fifty, plus, (\$150t) dollars with no drug benefit.

Commissioner Norris made a motion for Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, Chairman Wilson and Gayle Godwin, Finance Officer, to meet and discuss this matter and bring suggested items of action back to the Board, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item #7: INVITATION - GRAND OPENING of PARK in FARMER'S UNION:

Ms. Fannie S. Walden, private citizen, extended a personal invitation to the Board for the Grand Opening of the Park in Farmer's Union on June 7, 2003 at 11:00 A.M. Ms. Walden stated that a short agenda is scheduled.

Agenda Item #8: FIRE DEPARTMENTS - LETTER of SUPPORT:

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, is requesting Board approval of the following Letter of Support for the County fire departments who are applying for the FEMA Fire Act Grant, 2003.

June 4, 2003

Assistance to Firefighters Grants Office
R-Building, NETC 16825 South Seaton Avenue
Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727

IN RE: **Letter of Support for Columbus County Fire Departments
Applying for the FEMA Fire Act Grant, 2003**

Dear Sirs:

It is with great pleasure to submit this Letter of Support for the Columbus County fire departments in their efforts to apply for the FEMA Fire Act Grant, 2003. Our fire departments operate on a volunteer basis and must depend on fund raising, donations they receive and/or grants, if they meet the qualifications that are stipulated. Among the twenty-two (22) departments within Columbus County, only one (1) department has paid personnel on staff.

The fire fighting items that could be purchased with the FEMA Fire Act Grant funds will greatly benefit all the citizens within Columbus County by providing faster response times and will significantly improve emergency communications.

It is unlikely the State will be able to provide financial assistance to our fire departments since it is experiencing financial difficulties that have negatively affected local governments and the services they provide.

We ask that you please review FEMA Fire Act Grant Application Number: EMW-2003-fg-13559 submitted by A-D-R Fire and Rescue, Incorporated and any other applications that have been submitted to you from the departments located in Columbus County.

We deeply appreciate your kind and generous assistance during our recent times of disaster and need. Thanking you in advance for any time and consideration you may render to this matter.

Sincerely,
/s/ BILLY JOE FARMER
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the Letter of Support for the County Fire Departments, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

Agenda Items #9: TAX - TAX COLLECTION PLAN of ACTION:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to table the Tax Collection Plan of Action, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item #10: AGING - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

Ed Worley, Aging Director presented the following update to the Board:

1. We held our annual Senior Prom with two hundred seventy-five (275) people attending and everyone greatly enjoyed themselves;
2. We held our Senior Picnic on May 13, 2003 with five hundred fifty (550) people attending;

3. The Chadbourn Senior Center will be opening in mid July or August 1, 2003;
4. A new program has been started in which we are assisting senior citizens in re-negotiating loans, upgrading their houses and aiding them in moving from dilapidated housing; and
5. The Department of Aging thanks the Board of Commissioners for your support.

Agenda Item #11: PUBLIC HEARING - ESTABLISHMENT of PUBLIC HEARING DATE for FY 2003-2004 COLUMBUS COUNTY PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET:

Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, presented copies of the Columbus County Proposed Operating Budget for FY 2003 - 2004 to the Board. Mr. Farmer requested the Board to establish a Public Hearing date for such. Commissioner McKenzie made a motion that a Public Hearing date for the Columbus County Proposed Operating Budget for FY 2003 - 2004 be established for June 16, 2003, at 7:00 P.M., in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex, Commissioners' Chambers, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to receive the Columbus County Proposed Operating Budget for FY 2003 - 2004, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item #12: FIREWORKS PERMISSION REQUEST:

Based on the request presented by the Greater Tabor City Chamber of Commerce, Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, is requesting the Board to grant permission to possess, transport, receive, deliver and display fireworks at South Columbus High School on July 4, 2003 for the 16th Annual Columbus County Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration and waive the fee for the permit from the Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Norris made a motion to grant permission and waive the fee for the previously stated event, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT II AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING:

At 8:03 P.M., Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Authority Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Godwin. The motion so carried.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book 1 for the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II.

ADJOURN COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT II AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT III AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING:

At 8:39 P.M., Commissioner Godwin made a motion to adjourn the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Authority Board Meeting and enter into Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Authority Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion so carried.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book 1 of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III.

ADJOURN COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT III AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING and enter into COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT IV AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING:

At 8:55 P.M., Commissioner Norris made a motion to adjourn the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Authority Board Meeting and enter into Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Authority Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Godwin. The motion so carried.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book 1 of the Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV.

ADJOURN COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT IV AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING and resume REGULAR SESSION:

At 9:01 P.M., Commissioner Jacobs made a motion to adjourn the Columbus County Water and Sewer Authority Board Meeting and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Memory. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item # 15: APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEE / BOARDS:

The following appointments/reappointments were made for committees and/or boards:

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS / REAPPOINTMENTS / APPROVALS
June, 2003

COMMITTEE	ZONE	APPOINTEE(S)	EXP. DATE	BOARD ACTION
Aging Advisory Council (COG) - Columbus County Members- Motion = Commissioner Jacobs Second = Commissioner Godwin	Entire Board	Betty Holcomb Roscoe Jacobs	06/30/2006 06/30/2006	Reappoint Reappoint
Brunswick Zoning, Planning Board and Board of Adjustments Motion = Commissioner Jacobs Second = Commissioner McKenzie	Entire Board	Caletta Faulk	05/17/2004	Reappoint
Columbus County Department of Aging Advisory Council	I	Leona Martin	06/30/2006	Reappoint
	II	Barbara Sasser	06/30/2006	Reappoint
		Margaret Hicks	06/30/2006	Reappoint
	III	Ray Wyche	06/30/2006	Reappoint
		Mary Graham	06/30/2006	Reappoint
	IV	T. Ben Douglas	06/30/2003	Hold-off
	V	Dr. John C. Williams	06/30/2006	Reappoint
	VI	Myra Godwin	06/30/2006	Reappoint
	VII	Willie Burns	06/30/2006	Reappoint
Economic Development Commission Board of Directors	I	Samuel Carnell Frink	06/30/2006	Reappoint
	II	William Mark Stanaland	06/30/2006	Reappoint
Fair Bluff Planning Board Motion = Commissioner McKenzie Second = Commissioner Jacobs	Entire Board	Bob Morgan Monroe Enzor, III Randy Evans	04/30/2006 04/30/2005 04/30/2006	Reappoint Reappoint Reappoint
Housing Advisory Committee (Columbus County)	IV	Boling McNeil	06/30/2005	Reappoint
	V	Henry Milligan	06/30/2005	Reappoint
	VII	Lewis L. Cokley	06/30/2005	Reappoint
Juvenile Crime Prevention Council	I	Anthony (Andy) Anderson	06/30/2005	Reappoint
	II	James Prevatte Dr. Brantley Briley	06/30/2005	Replace
	III	Nakoma Simmons	06/30/2005	Hold-off
	V	Judy Gore Spivey	06/30/2005	Reappoint
	VII	Jerry Sibbett	06/30/2005	Hold-off
Lake Waccamaw Board of Adjustments (Hold-off and obtain recommendations)	Entire Board	-Vacant- (ETJ) -Vacant - (ETJ Alternate)	N/A N/A	Hold-off Hold-off
Library Board of Trustees	II	Robert L. (Bob) Young	06/30/2007	Reappoint
	IV	Paul Pope	06/30/2007	Reappoint

Nursing/Adult Care Home Joint Community Advisory Committee (Columbus County)	Entire Board	Betty Sue McPherson	06/30/2003	Hold-off
Southeastern Community College Board of Trustees	III	Randy Britt	06/30/2007	Reappoint
Southeastern Economic Development Commission	I	Leo Mercer	04/01/2007	Reappoint
Tabor City Planning and Zoning Board Motion = Commissioner Norris Second = Commissioner Dutton	Entire Board	Patrick Milligan (ETJ) Ronald Ward (ETJ)	04 - 2006 04 - 2006	Reappoint Reappoint
Vehicle Review Committee Motion = Commissioner Godwin Second = Commissioner Dutton	Entire Board	Linwood Cartrette	02/01/2073	Reappoint
Whiteville (City of) Zoning Board of Adjustments	Entire Board	Vance Maultsby (ETJ)	07/31/2003	Hold-off

Agenda Item #16 - APPOINTMENTS - APPROVAL for JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL:

Vickie Pait, Membership Chair, requested Board approval of the following new members of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council to be effective July 21, 2003:

Steven Shaw, Acting Police Chief
Marissa Braddy
Chris Batten, Sheriff
Judge Marion Warren, District Court Judge
Judge Douglas Sasser, District Court Judge
Toni Stocks, Supervisor - Child Health
Tonya Pait, Director; and

Approval of reappointments effective 06/30/03:

Bill Memory
Rex Gore's Designee, Glenda Ansley
Franklin Thurman
Leroy Ward
Jeanette Wyche.

Commissioner Dutton made a motion to approve the recommended new members and the recommended reappointments, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item #17: ADMINISTRATION - ANNUAL ADMINISTRATOR'S EVALUATION:

Chairman Wilson presented the Board with the results of the annual Employee Performance Evaluation for Billy Joe Farmer, Columbus County Administrator. The score of the annual evaluation was 45.8 out of a possible 60 which falls into the category of exceptional. The score average was 3.05 on a zero-to-four (0 - 4) scale.

Chairman Wilson asked Billy Joe Farmer, County Administrator, if he had any comments he would like to make. Mr. Farmer replied stating he was just glad to be here.

Agenda Item #18: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Commissioner Godwin. The motion so carried.

A. Budget Amendments:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditure	10-510-1700	Maintenance/Repair - Vehicles	\$7,784
Revenue	10-335-0000	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$7,784
Expenditure	10-520-4600	Medical & Hospital Expense - Inmates	\$15,000
	10-520-4700	Custodial Care	\$20,000
	10-520-3300	Dept. Supplies & Materials (Food)	\$15,000
Revenue	10-358-0000	Jail Fees	\$50,000
Expenditure	34-670-0200	Salaries	\$13,665
	34-670-0400	Professional Services	\$1,000
	34-670-0500	FICA	\$900
	34-670-0600	Insurance	\$2,360
	34-670-0700	Retirement	\$290
	34-670-1100	Telephone	\$500
	34-670-1700	M/R - Vehicles	\$1,500
	34-670-2100	Rent	\$200
	34-670-2600	Advertising	\$350
	34-670-3200	Office Supplies	\$700
	34-670-3300	Department Supplies	\$6,335
	34-670-7400	Capital Outlay	\$7,000
	34-670-1600	M/R - Equipment	(\$15,735)
	34-670-4500	Contract Services	(\$17,870)
	34-670-1300	Utilities	(\$1,195)
Revenues	34-312-0000	Refunds	(\$2,500)
	34-329-0000	Interest	\$2,500
	34-340-0000	Signup Fees	\$14,000
	34-359-0000	Water Sales	(\$225,375)
	34-359-0100	Tap On Fees	\$6,250
	34-359-0300	Penalties	(\$3,800)
	34-359-0400	Reconnects	(\$1,000)
	34-397-0100	Project Transf	\$90,000
	34-399-0000	Fund Balance Appr	\$119,925

B. Tax Refund and Releases:

**TAX REFUND (as submitted to Administration from the Tax Office):
June 2, 2003**

Request a refund in the name of Minuteman, P.O. Box 39, Elizabethtown, NC 28337. Refund

privilege license fee that was paid twice. Amount \$10.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2003, Account # N/A, Bill # 17085.

**TAX RELEASES (as submitted to Administration from the Tax Office):
June 2, 2003**

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of Raymond & Judean Snowten. Amount \$8.58, Value \$1,000.00, Year 1995, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 19623.

Release the Property Value in the name of Bryans Custom & Tint. Release the business personal value and the Columbus Rescue fee. Business closed December 2001. Amount \$9.86, Value \$1,120.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-00019, Bill # 61232.

Release the Property Value in the name of Dale, Terri. Release the value of a boat that Mr. Dale no longer owns. Amount \$47.65, Value \$5,465.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-11332, Bill # 65391.

Release the Property Value in the name of Rhodes, Chris. Release a portion of the mobile home value and a portion of the Acme Delco Fire fee. Billed with the incorrect year model on home. Amount \$54.92, Value \$6,740.00, Year 1998, Account # 15-31489, Bill # 29817.

Release the Property Value in the name of Rhodes, Chris. Release a portion of the mobile home value. Home billed with incorrect year model. Amount \$46.84, Value \$6,740.00, Year 1999, Account # 15-31489, Bill # 27349.

Release the Property Value in the name of Rothrock, Kenneth. Release the property value, the Klondyke Fire fee (.77) and the Columbus Rescue fee (.22). Property is double listed in the name of Jerry E. Turner. Amount \$9.57, Value \$1,100.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-34925, Bill # 88404.

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of Raymond & Judean Snowten. Amount \$9.70, Value \$1,160.00, Year 1994, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 48081.

Release the Property Value in the name of Walters, Denver. Release the value of a double wide home, the Welches Creek fire fee (33.12) and the Whiteville Rescue fee (8.28). Home is double listed in the same name in a different township. Amount \$541.32, Value \$41,400.00, Year 2002, Account # 14-01017, Bill # 96371.

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of Raymond and Judean Snowten. Amount \$67.65, Value \$1,000.00, Year 1998, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 68483.

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of Raymond and Judean Snowten. Amount \$67.65, Value \$1,000.00, Year 1999, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 30941.

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the value of a mobile home that is double listed in the name of Raymond and Judean Snowten. Amount \$84.05, Value \$2,405.00, Year 2000, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 12549.

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home is double listed in the name of Raymond and Judean Snowten. Amount \$97.35, Value \$2,540.00, Year 2001, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 13446.

Release the Property Value in the name of Snowten, Raymond. Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue fee. Home is double listed in the name of Raymond and Judean Snowten. Amount \$109.88, Value \$2,600.00, Year 2002, Account # 10-15912, Bill # 91522.

Release the Property Value in the name of Thurman, Reuben. Release the value of a double wide, the North White Fire fee (50.00) and the Whiteville Rescue fee (7.06). The home is double listed in the name of Marcella Faulk. Amount \$436.22, Value \$35,300.00, Year 2000, Account #

01-01422, Bill # 15750.

Release the Property Value in the name of Thurman, Reuben. Release the value of a double wide, the North Whiteville Rescue fee (50.00) and the Whiteville Rescue fee (7.06). Home is double listed in the name Marcella Faulk. Amount \$497.40, Value \$35,300.00, Year 2001, Account # 01-01422, Bill # 16686.

Release the Property Value in the name of Thurman, Reuben. Release the value of a double wide home, the North Whiteville Fire fee (50.00) and the Whiteville Rescue fee (3.06). Home is double listed in the name of Marcella Faulk. Amount \$349.40, Value \$15,300.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-01422, Bill # 94829.

Release the Property Value in the name of Sellers, Sherwood. Release the property value, the Klondyke Fire fee (9.25) and the Columbus Rescue fee (2.64). Customer failed to receive the senior citizens exemption. Amount \$303.42, Value \$13,210.00, Year 2002, Account # 13-02252, Bill # 89384.

Release the User Fee in the name of Barnes, Guilford. Release user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler. This has been verified by Chuck Stanley. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 01-03185, Bill # 58117.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wilson, Thelma. Release user on trash can that was picked up in February 2003. Verified by Chuck Stanley. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 12-32425, Bill # 99492.

Release the User Fee in the name of Rooks, Alford. Release user fee that was billed on vacant land in error. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 14-02824, Bill # 88224.

Release the User Fee in the name of Grace, Phillip G.. Release user fee that was double billed in error. Amount \$177.00, Value \$0.00, Year 2002, Account # 15-15933, Bill # 71568.

Agenda Item #19: COMMENTS:

A. Board of Commissioners:

Commissioner McKenzie stated that several areas of the County were still experiencing severe problems with mosquitos and that spraying needed to be more frequent.

Commissioner Memory asked Ed Worley, Aging Director, if he had any funds to assist the disabled citizens within the County to hookup to the County water system. Mr. Worley replied stating he did not have any funds to assist in this manner.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION:

At 9:15 P.M., Commissioner Dutton made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Closed Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. §143-318.11, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

No official action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION and resume REGULAR SESSION:

At 9:31 P.M., Commissioner Memory made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Godwin. The motion so carried.

THREE (3) YEAR OPTION for PURCHASE of PROPERTY for PRISON in the TABOR CITY AREA:

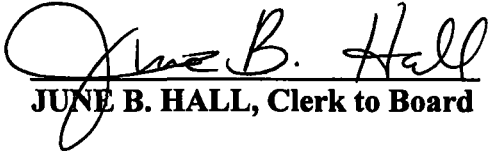
Commissioner Memory made a motion to approve James E. Hill, Jr., Columbus County Attorney, to proceed with the necessary paperwork entailing the purchase of the property for the


proposed prison to be located in the Tabor City area, seconded by Commissioner Godwin. The motion so carried.

Agenda Item #21: ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, at 9:33 P.M., Commissioner Dutton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion so carried.

APPROVED:


JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board


C.E. WILSON, Chairman