

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 15, 2008

6:30 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 their regular scheduled meeting on the third Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James E. Prevatte **Chairman**
 Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
 Amon E. McKenzie
 Lynwood Norris
 Ricky Bullard
 Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
 Steven W. Fowler, **County Attorney**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
 Bobbie Faircloth, **Deputy Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Sammie Jacobs

Agenda Items #1, #2 and #3:

MEETING CALLED to ORDER, INVOCATION and PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the September 15, 2008 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Ronald Gore. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, which was led by Vice Chairman Bill Memory.

RE-ARRANGEMENT of AGENDA;

Chairman Prevatte stated due to a request made by Ms. Doris Dees, he is requesting that Agenda Item #12 be moved to Agenda Item #8.

MOTION:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to move Agenda Item #12 to Agenda Item #8, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed. The following Agenda items will be numbered accordingly.

Agenda Item #4: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the September 02, 2008 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #5: AMENDMENT - JULY 21, 2008 REGULAR SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following amendment to the July 21, 2008 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes for clarification purposes **only**.

Existing Verbiage (Page 683):

A brief discussion was conducted, among the Board members, relative to the amount expended per household would be in excess of forty-one thousand and 00/100 (\$41,000.00) dollars, and the fact that after the original thirty (30) houses were hooked onto the sewer line with the grant funds, the hookup fee would be seven thousand, five hundred and 00/100 (\$7,500.00) dollars, which amount could be financed by the County over an extended number of years.

Recommended Amended Verbiage (Page 683):

A brief discussion was conducted, among the Board members, relative to the amount expended per household would be in excess of forty-one thousand and 00/100 (\$41,000.00) dollars, and **the original thirty (30) houses will be hooked onto the sewer line with CDBG grant funds. A hook**

up fee of seven thousand, five hundred, and 00/100 (\$7,500.00) dollars would be required for some customers not on a CDBG grant, which could be financed by the County over an extended number of years.

Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to approve the amendment to the July 21, 2008 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #6: PUBLIC INPUT

Chairman Prevatte opened the floor for comments that anyone would like to make. The following spoke:

Sammie Hinson: stated the following:

1. I would like to thank the Board for moving forward with the re-districting issue;
2. This needed to be done a long time ago; **and**
3. All we are asking for is equal representation.

Agenda Item #7: RE-DISTRICTING ISSUES - PRESENTATION by ATTORNEY ANITA EARLS:

Attorney Earls will made the following presentation to the Board relative to the re-districting issues. Ms. Earls stated the following:

1. I am pleased to be here and was here for the first time twenty (20) years ago when I litigated the Ward versus Columbus County Case;
2. I would like to commend you on the progress that I have seen in the County;
3. I want to talk to you tonight on the re-distircting issue.
4. I want to talk about two (2) issues:
 - a. In particular the Voting Rights Act and your obligation in re-districting under the Federal Voting Rights Act; **and**
 - b. The One-Person One-Vote requirement which is again a federal Constitutional requirement of Equal Protection Law;
5. In looking at this, I want to talk to you about a small problem that you have now which I think I can help you solve, and a problem that you could have that I know I can help you avoid;
6. In terms of the **Voting Rights Act**, there are **two (2) parts** of the Voting Rights Act:
 - a. **Section Two** which covers all the country, the entire country, so it applies everywhere in the nation, and it says that every person should have equal opportunity to participate in the political process. It is that part of the Voting Rights Act that the Federal Court back in 1991 said that the at-large system of election, the way it operates in Columbus County, violates that part of the Voting Rights Act. It denies minority voters equal opportunity to participate in the election process, the at-large system, combined with the voting patterns and the history of elections in the County. So, in light of that, the Federal Court said that the Plaintiff, in that case, the Citizens for Better Government of Columbus County, the group that I represented as Plaintiffs then, and the group that I still represent today. The Court said that those voters are entitled to a remedy that fully flaws the violation of the Voting Rights Act, and then held a hearing and plans were presented, and a seven (7) member district plan was adopted by the Court as a remedy for that Section Two Voting Rights Act violation. That is the plan that is currently still in effect today.
 - b. The second part of the Voting Rights Act, that I will touch on briefly, is **Section 5** of the Voting Rights Act. That is the part of the act that covers only part of the country. It is a temporary provision. It was just recently renewed by Congress for another twenty-five (25) years. Columbus County is one of the forty (40) counties in North Carolina that is covered by Section 5, and that requirement says that any change affecting voting, anything from moving a polling place to changing how you elect your Governing Body, any change has to be submitted to the Justice Department for what is called pre-clearance. There is an alternative - you can go to the D.C. District Court and ask them to approve your change, but you have to do one (1) of those things before you can put the change into effect. So, any change affecting voting, including any change in the re-distircting plan, or any change in how you do re-distircting has to be pre-cleared by the Justice Department. When the

Justice Department considers whether or not to pre-clear a change, what they ask is if the change is retrogressive, and what retrogressive is, it is a legal term that means essentially - does the new practice or the new policy make minority voters worse off. If it does, then it is retrogressive, and the Justice Department will not approve it. A good example of the operation of Section 5 comes recently from the City of Fayetteville where they did try to change their method of electing the City Council. They were an all district system and they tried to go to a combined single district and some seats at large. The problem was that would decrease the ability of African-American voters in the city to elect a candidate of their choice and the Justice Department objected to their change, and they have to remain an all district, and that happened in 2006-2007. Just recently, after the new act was re-authorized, the Justice Department has objected to changes in North Carolina under Section 5 of the Voter Rights Act. I think what that means to your redistricting, is that you are governed by two (2) standards:

- There is a Federal Court Order that says you have to comply with Section 2 because the completely at-large system would violate Section Two; **and**
- You are governed by Section Five which says that any change has to be pre-cleared by the Justice Department, so you have to keep in place a system that continues to provide minority voters an opportunity in two (2) of your seven (7) districts in order to receive pre-clearance.

7. Those are the problems I believe you can avoid, and you avoid them by keeping in place a plan that in at least two (2) districts continue to have a majority of African-American voters.
8. The problem that you have is the one-person one-vote problem. Your districts, under the Federal Constitution, need to be roughly the same size, so that each voter in each district has their vote carried the same way. The constitutional standard is that the overall deviation, in the size of the districts, should normally not be more than an overall ten (10%) percent. There are exceptional circumstances where because of geography or some other reason you have to have a higher deviation, but for the most cases, and throughout the country, and this is a constitutional standard so that it applies everywhere, you have to be within that ten (10%) percent overall deviation.
9. What happened to your districts, due to population shifts when the 2000 Census was taken, if you use the 2000 Census data with your current districts, the overall deviation is 18.31%, so you are above that ten (10%) percent threshold.
10. You could try to justify to a Court why you need to have that deviation, but it is very rare. There is very few places around the country where the Court will approve a greater than ten (10%) percent deviation.
11. The challenge that you are facing is how to get that deviation below the ten (10%) percent threshold, using the 2000 Census data.
12. There is an endless number of variations on districts, but let me talk about two (2) possible solutions to this problem:
 - a. The first is to re-draw the districts, and, on behalf of my clients, we enlisted the help of Bill Cooper who is a demographer, and he has come up with a couple of different alternatives for how you could re-draw the districts and try to respect to the extent of the core of your current districts, but re-draw them so that you meet the One-Person One-Vote Standard and you continue to have two (2) districts that provide for minority representation.
 - b. Second Alternative - make a minor modification and get that deviation below ten (10%) percent. The modification involves two (2) steps:
 1. First you would have to decide that in your re-districting plan you don't want to count the prison population because there is a prison farm account in District 7 that's about, at least, and all of this is based on the 2000 Census data, and using the 2000 Census data, I believe is six hundred eighty-six (686) people. We know that they are not voters, and so a number of Federal Courts have said that it is permissible to discount a prison population because they are not voters, and so in calculating your One-Person One-Vote balance so that each voter's vote has equal weight, it is permissible to not count that prison population. Around the country, practice varies. A lot of larger districts, or Congressional districts, it really doesn't make a difference one way or the other because you are talking about a district of over one hundred thousand (100,000) people, and six hundred eighty-six (686) people don't make the deviation up. But when you are talking small jurisdictions, small number of people, seven (7) districts, then six hundred eighty-six (686) people actually does make a lot of difference, and when you don't count that population; **and**

2. You move two or three (2 or 3) precincts that you would need to move in Whiteville, from out of District II because it is slightly over populated, and move into District IV. If you make those two (2) changes - 1) don't count the prison population; and, 2) move a few precincts in Whiteville, then you would get the overall deviation under ten (10%) percent, and you would be legal under the One-Person One-Vote Standard. The important thing to remember is that whatever you do, you will have to re-evaluate the districts following the 2010 Census. So, whatever you do to the 2010 election, you will have something different by 2012. The 2010 Census data will come out in early 2011, and you will have to evaluate the One-Person One-Vote requirement at that point.
13. There is a lot of justification for making a minor modification now, keeping the districts essentially as they are and then re-evaluate based on the 2010 Census Data.
14. I will talk about how to make this as low cost and low burden as possible. We are very willing to, my clients are very willing to make Mr. Cooper available to you with re-drawing the districts, and whatever arrangements seem to make sense. He has already done a lot of work with the maps in the County and has had some discussions with the folks that have the data here in the County, so if there is any way that working with him can be helpful to you, we really would like to offer that.
15. It is still very important to my clients that they continue to have a voice in the Local Government, and they continue to have an opportunity to elect candidates of their choice, and so, whatever you do, they will be working with me to make sure it complies with the Voting Rights Act and that it is consistent with the Court Order that was obtained back in 1991.

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS / COMMENTS:

Commissioner McKenzie: Is the minor modification between District II and District IV the least expensive way we could go?

Anita Earls: Absolutely, because it is the least expensive on a number of levels. I believe it would involve very little work with the demographer so his time would not be that expensive and it also means very little changing of districts for voters so you don't have to send out new voter cards to people and you don't have to suffer election administration costs.

Commissioner Gore: With the two (2) alternatives that you were talking about earlier, eliminating the prison population and moving two or three (2 or 3) precincts out of Whiteville, what kind of time frame are we looking at, if we start that process and we decide that is the way we want to go, to get all this completed, and I know we got to petition the Court to start with?

Anita Earls: The process is as follows:

1. There is also the sixty (60) day period for review by the Justice Department, but my sense is that it should not take too long to get a hearing, especially if all the parties are coming to Court saying that we both agree and this is the right thing that needs to be done, then it should not take long for a Court to review it and approve it. If you have a requirement for an expedited consideration, sometimes it takes less than sixty (60) days, but the regulations, under Section 5, require them to issue a determination within sixty (60) days.
2. At the end of that process, then there is also the time it takes to implement it by the Board of Elections, and I don't know what they would say on how long they would need, but I think you are looking at four to six (4-6) months for your part of the process, and then the Board of Elections.

Commissioner Gore: How many months would it take for the Board of Elections, possibly a year?

Anita Earls: I don't think the Board of Elections would take that long, but then again it depends on how much of a change you are making. If you are only moving a couple of census blocks, then you are only affecting one or two (1 or 2) precincts, and it would not take them long to put the changes into their system.

Vice Chairman Memory: Ms. Earls, who do you work for?

Anita Earls: Columbus County Concerned Citizens for Better Government.

Vice Chairman Memory: We are going to have to do this in 2011, and at that time we will have ten (10) years of change for the 2012 election, is that correct?

Anita Earls: That is correct. However the population grew or shifted between 2000 and 2010 is what you have to take into consideration.

Vice Chairman Memory: If the minorities in the County had shifted, then the districts would need to be re-drawn to ensure minority representation on the Board, is that correct?

Anita Earls: That is correct.

Vice Chairman Memory: We can spend a lot less money in 2008 than in 2011, and come within the One-Person One-Vote Act.

Anita Earls: What it will cost is the demographer's time.

Vice Chairman Memory: We are going to need a demographer for sure in 2011, and spend a lot less money in 2008.

Commissioner Bullard: It is my opinion that if the two (2) alternatives you have suggested will keep in the legal requirements, we should do them, and I want to be fair to everyone and be in compliance with the law.

Commissioner Norris: What is the estimated price that you think it will cost us to do this?

Anita Earls: That depends on whether you feel the need to have the demographer to come down and meet with you in person or whether you are comfortable with him talking with your County Planning Department which can give him data to replicate his maps, and you feel confident for him just to talk to them, he will not charge you just to do that part of it. It could cost as much as whatever time your County Planning Department time is valued at to five to six thousand and 00/100 (\$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00) dollars for Bill Coopers's outside, to come in at his travel costs and his time to meet with you, and you can get other estimates for this service.

Chairman Prevatte: My biggest concern is that the maps that we received in February showed the lines being drawn right through some people's yards. If moving some parts of the districts into other districts would mean that we would be in legal compliance, then I don't have a problem with that. Does that mean the maps we got in February are accurate, or are we looking at something different, then we need to have the demographer come down here and talk to us face-to-face and we can ask questions of him, and that way he could give us an estimate of how much it would cost. Is that correct?

Anita Earls: If there is any problems with the data that he had not matching up with the County's physical features, then those need to be corrected. I don't know if he has to come here to correct them. I think what he can do effectively in person is to answer your questions, and in particular if he suggests one change and you want to look at what the different changes are. The maps that we submitted earlier were a suggestion. We just ask him to redraw the plan taking into account traditional re-districting criteria and also maintain the two (2) districts to continue to be effective districts for African-American voters. That is all we ask him to do. He said it was possible to do that with the 2000 Census data. It could have been the case that the changes were big enough that he couldn't keep the two (2) districts, or that amount is just intended to show it really is possible to keep those two (2) districts.

Commissioner McKenzie: On that map that we received, it is recommending taking Fair Bluff and Cerro Gordo out of District II, did he send that recommendation to you or did you make that recommendation?

Anita Earls: Our only instructions to him were is it possible to use the 2000 Census data, and we just ask him to apply traditional re-districting principles where you try to keep precincts together as much as possible, you try to respect subdivision boundaries as much as possible. If you don't have to split a town, you try not to. We just said follow the traditional re-districting principles to the extent that you can. Keep the districts as close to what they are now as you can, although they are changes, and see if it's possible to continue to have two (2) districts that provide for minority population. There are a number of different variations. He has looked at another draft since the February draft that would put parts of Cerro Gordo back into District I. Once you go to substantial re-drawing instead of minor change, then the options are kind of endless and you need to know what the impact is on the numbers, including the impact on the overall deviation to make various changes. If he were to come with his computer with the map on it, and he could make changes as you are talking, then he could tell you what the impact of that change verses the impact of another change. But, we did not give him anything specific beyond what I said earlier.

Commissioner Gore: We have got to maintain the integrity of the minority districts, and that is a must. I also think we need to look at the least expensive way to get out of this problem, because we will have to look at this again in the near future. If we can make two (2) minor changes, and take care of the prison population and move two or three (2 or 3) voting precincts around., then we need to go in this direction.

Commissioner McKenzie: We need to maintain the minority districts.

Vice Chairman Memory: I do agree that we should choose the least expensive method at this time, knowing that this will have to be repeated in eighteen (18) months.

Commissioner Bullard: Any time you look at re-districting, it will affect each Commissioner's district, but we need to strive to do what is right for the citizens, and to not interfere with the demographer.

Commissioner McKenzie: As a result of a court case, there are two (2) districts in which a minority can get elected, whereas, in the other five (5) districts, they probably would not. We do need to stay in compliance with the legal requirements and choose the most effective way for this to work at the least expensive cost.

Vice Chairman Memory: For clarification purposes, is this the proper procedure to follow:

1. This Board meets and decides which way we would like for this to be done;
2. We bring our decision to you as attorney for the Plaintiffs, and our attorney, for the Ward versus Columbus County Case;
3. After this has transpired, it goes to the Justice Department and ask them for approval;
4. After approval by the Justice Department, then our Board of Elections makes the necessary changes they need to make.

Is this correct?

Anita Earls: Yes, except there is an added step that we would want to go to the Federal Court as well to let them know that we agree on this modification of the districts.

Vice Chairman Memory: And you think all of this can be done in four to six (4-6) months?

Anita Earls: Yes., I believe it could be.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to accept the information that has been given to the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, and that at a future date the Chairman and the Clerk get together with the demographer and set up a time when he can come, and each Board member be informed when that date will be, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #8: BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - UPDATE:

Doris Dees, member of the Bicentennial Committee, delivered the following update to the Board on this committee.

1. I serve on the Bicentennial Committee representing Southeastern Community College;
2. The Committee is doing well but could be doing better if we had more warm bodies and some green backs;
3. We are having a parade and we need money to sponsor some of the bands for their travel expenses;
4. We will have two (2) stages of entertainment going on at the same time and these festivities will be held at the Columbus County Fairgrounds, we will have church choirs and dance groups;
5. Some of your appointees have never attended a meeting and we are having trouble getting a quorum, and I would like for you to contact your appointees;
6. We will have fireworks, but the chair of that sub-committee stopped coming and we don't know the inside details yet;
7. We will have all of the church bells, in the county, ringing at certain times;
8. We will have displays of Crusoe dug-out canoes
9. There will be essay contests for 4th graders and 8th graders, and we hope we will be able to get prizes for them;
10. We have a pictorial book, traveling historic plaque display, blue grass performance, historic book which has already been published;
11. Visiting dignitaries;
12. Historic costumes;
13. Possible display and presentation by each town/city;
14. Presentation by county churches;
15. We will have forestry machinery, classic tractors, classic cars, impersonation of Christopher Columbus, native American dances, local artist displays, book displays, museum displays, historical radios and televisions, tree plantings and a time capsule;
16. We plan for this to be a fun day and we would like for everyone to be present; **and**
17. This has been scheduled for November 22, 2008, at 10:00 A.M., possibly.

Agenda Item #9: ESTABLISHMENT of PUBLIC HEARING for CDBG (2006) GRANT NUMBER 06-C-1507 - APPROVAL of PROGRAM AMENDMENT:

Floyd Adams, The Adams Company, Incorporated, requested the Board to establish a Public Hearing for October 06, 2008, at 7:00 P.M., for the approval of a Program Amendment to the CDBG (2006) Grant Number 06-C-1507. In the absence of Floyd Adams, Chairman Prevatte stated the following:

1. This grant has had several houses drop out for various reasons;
2. Excess funds are being projected;
3. In order to reallocate these funds to do additional work, the County must submit a Program Amendment; **and**
4. The process will require a Public Hearing.

Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to establish October 6, 2008, at 7:00 P.M., as the date and time for a public hearing to be held for the CDBG (2006) Grant Number 06-C-1507 Program Amendment, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #9: SOCIAL SERVICES - DESIGNATION of STANDARD or ELECTING STATUS for the WORK FIRST PROGRAM:

Linda Fry, Social Services Director, requested the Board to designate the status of Columbus County as a Standard or Electing county for the Work First Program.

Commissioner Gore made a motion to designate the status of Columbus County as a Standard county for the Work First Program, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #11: FINANCE - RECOMMENDATION on BANKING SERVICES:

Bobbie Faircloth, Interim Finance Director, presented the following recommendation to the Board on the banking services for Columbus County. Ms. Faircloth stated the following:

1. I sent out the packages for the banking services;
2. We had four (4) banks to respond;
3. Out of the four (4) banks that responded, it is my recommendation that we remain with BB&T due to the greater interest rate they are providing to Columbus County on the funds that are sitting in the accounts;
4. The other banks did propose no fees on anything, but BB&T provides this same service and does not charge us for stop payment on our checks, and provides us checks and deposit slips free of charge; **and**
5. The basic services that we get from any bank are uniform as to the kind of accounts we can have.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to accept Ms. Faircloth's recommendation of remaining with BB&T for the banking services for Columbus County, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #12: GOVERNING BODY - APPROVAL of AMENDMENTS to RULES of PROCEDURE - RULES 8 and 10:

Chairman Prevatte requested Board approval of the following two (2) amendments to the Rules of Procedure for the Columbus County Board of Commissioners. **(This will be the second reading.)**

RULE 8: PUBLIC ADDRESS TO THE BOARD

There shall be a time set aside at each regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for public comment. The meeting Agenda shall be followed as outlined in the Columbus County Commissioner's Board Package and as posted on the Public Agenda prior in the meeting room, unless modified by the Chairman, with the consent of the majority of the Board of Commissioners. The following procedure will be followed for public comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at meetings of the Board of Commissioners.

1. The Board shall allow public comment. The maximum amount of time set aside for public comment shall be thirty (30) minutes.
2. ***Regardless of whether a topic is on or not on the Agenda***, anyone wishing to speak shall complete an index card supplied by the County, on which they will provide their name, address and telephone number. They shall identify the topic they wish to address, ***indicate whether the topic is on or not on the Agenda***, and include all pertinent information. These cards are to be presented to the County Clerk, who will give each card a number in the order in which it is received.
3. When the Board reaches that portion of the meeting when public comments are permitted, the Chairman will recognize those wishing to speak in the numerical order shown on the cards. Individuals who are recognized will come to the podium and give their name and address. They will then be allowed three (3) minutes in which to present comments and the County Attorney will keep the time for that period. A person may only speak once during the period allotted for all comments. There shall be no yielding of time or allowance for one speaker to utilize another's time when addressing the Board of Commissioners. One must speak on his or her concern, or the concern of the general public as a whole. Only an attorney who represents that person may address the Board of Commissioners about a specific problem of another individual.
4. The Board is not required to comment on matters brought to the Board during this time, ~~da~~ may decline to take action on a request which is presented during the public comment portion of the meeting. Such request may instead be referred to the County Administrator, the County Attorney or other appropriate individual for investigation and action, or for a future report back to the Board.
5. Proper order will be maintained at all times during the meeting and the members of the audience shall be polite and courteous to all speakers at all times, regardless of their respective position. Only the speaker at the podium will be allowed to address the Board of Commissioners, or to make comments during the presentation.
6. ***The Chairman, at his/her discretion, may recognize persons to speak during the regular Agenda who did not speak or are not scheduled to speak during the Public Input portion of the Agenda. The Chairman shall make a reasonable effort to recognize reasonably perceived opponents and proponents of a particular measure, if applicable.***

(Adopted 2-2-04; Revised 09-15- 2008)

RULE 10: POWERS OF THE CHAIRPERSON

The Chairman of the Board shall be elected annually for a term of one (1) year and shall not be removed from the office of chair unless he or she becomes disqualified to serve as a member of the Board.

The Chairperson shall preside at meetings of the Board. In the Chairperson's absence, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside and shall have all the powers specified herein. If the Chairman and Vice-Chairman are both absent from the meeting, the Columbus County Attorney shall convene the meeting and the remaining members shall elect a Board member to preside for that meeting or until either the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson appears. A member must be recognized by the Chairperson in order to address the Board. The Chairperson shall have the following powers:

1. To rule motions in or out of order, including the right to rule out of order any motion patently offered for obstructive or dilatory purposes;
2. To establish time restraints for discussion, except for matters requiring a quasi-judicial public hearing;
3. To determine whether a speaker has gone beyond reasonable standards of courtesy in his/her remarks and to entertain and rule on objections from other members on this ground;
4. To entertain or refer to the County Attorney questions of parliamentary law or procedure;
5. To call a brief recess when needed;

6. To adjourn in an emergency;
7. To conduct public hearings as otherwise provided for herein; and
8. To direct any person to leave the meeting when the person willfully interrupts, disturbs, or disrupts the meeting. Any person who fails to leave the meeting after being directed to do so by the Chairman shall be removed by the Sheriff and charged with a misdemeanor pursuant to applicable North Carolina law.
9. *The Chairman, at his/her discretion, may recognize persons to speak during the regular Agenda who did not speak or are not scheduled to speak during the Public Input portion of the Agenda. The Chairman shall make a reasonable effort to recognize reasonably perceived opponents and proponents of a particular measure, if applicable.*

(Revised: 09-15- 2008)

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the amendments to Rule #8 and Rule #10, of the Rules of Procedure for the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, on its second reading, with the explicit understanding that Rule #8 was codified into the Rules of Procedure with the adoption of the same on February 4, 2008, which will supercede the existing policy so entitled "Policy on Comments at Board Meetings for Items Not on the Agenda". The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into a COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING

At 7:35 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into a **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

September 02, 2008 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 Sets).

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 1 for each Water District respectively.

Agenda Item #14: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, is requesting Board approval of the adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 1 for each Water District respectively.

ADJOURN COMBINATION MEETING of COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING and resume REGULAR SESSION

Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn the **Combination Meeting** of the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board meeting, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEES/BOARDS:

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, is requesting appointments/re-appointments to the following committees/Boards.

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR DATE	BOARD ACTION
Bicentennial Committee	IV	Rob Cross	N/A	HOLD
Whiteville (City of) Planning and Zoning Board (Outside) Motion: Vice Chairman Memory Second: Commissioner Gore	EB	Tom Ray	08-02-2010	HOLD
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Motion: Commissioner Bullard Second: Commissioner Norris	EB	J. B. Evans	12/2008	Re-Appoint

Agenda Item #16: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the following Budget Amendments, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

A. Budget Amendments:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditure	10-5302-519912	Day Care Smart-Start	(236,109)
	10-5302-519913	Child Day Care State	77,437
	10-5301-549988	TANF Domestic Violence	1,559
Revenue	10-3530-430090	Day Care	(158,672)
	10-3530-430065	Work 1 st Block Gant	1,559
Expenditure	14-4311-526001	Dept Supplies	4,000
Revenue	14-3431-499101	Drug Fund Balance Appropriated	4,000
Expenditure	10-5197-526001	HP Departmental Supplies	1,000
Revenue	10-3510-440091	Health Promotion Local	1,000
Expenditure	10-4310-526001	Departmental Supplies	1,125
Revenue	10-3431-440035	Grants - Sheriff's Office	1,125

B. September 15, 2008 Tax Refunds and Releases:

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the following Tax Refunds and Tax Releases, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

**TAX REFUNDS (as submitted to the Governing Body Office from the Tax Office):
September 15, 2008**

Refunds Name: Bowen, Bryan O. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year 008 Account # 15-01024 Bill # 48723 Total \$200.00
 Refund the user fee that was paid on a vacant restaurant.
 16154 Old Lake Rd. Riegelwood NC 28456

Refunds Name: Gibbs, Vernelle Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year 008 Account # 10-05880 Bill # 60001 Total \$113.00
 Refund the user fee that was paid in error on a vacant house that does not have a trash can.
 119 Railroad St. Fair Bluff NC 28439

Refunds Name: Hayes, Owen Amount: \$12.48
 Value: \$1,600.00 Year 004 Account # 04-07300 Bill # 0328 Total \$13.76
 Refund the property value, the Bolton Fire (.96) and Columbus Rescue (.32). The property is double listed in

the name of Plum Creek Timberlands LP. Make check payable to Jerry Freeman.
18701 Andrew Jackson Hwy E. Bolton NC 28423

Refunds Name: Hayes, Owen (heirs) Amount: \$22.63
Value: \$3,100.00 Year 005 Account # 04-07300 Bill # 4248 Total \$25.11
Refund the property value, the Bolton Fire (1.86) and the Columbus Rescue (.62). The property is double listed in the name of Plum Creek Timberlands LP. Make check payable to Jerry Freeman
18701 Andres Jackson Hwy E. Bolton, NC 28423

Refunds Name: Hayes, Owen, Heirs Amount: \$23.72
Value: \$3,100.00 Year 006 Account # 04-07300 Bill # 35316 Total \$27.44
Refund the property value, the Bolton Fire (3.10) and the Columbus rescue (.62). The property is double listed in the name of Plum Creek Timberlands LP. Make check payable to Jerry Freeman.
18701 Andrew Jackson Hwy E Bolton NC 28423

Refunds Name: Hayes, Owen Heirs Amount: \$25.27
Value: \$3,100.00 Year 007 Account # 04-07300 Bill # 55543 Total \$28.99
Refund the property value the Bolton Fire (3.10) and the Columbus Rescue (.62). The property is double listed in the name of Plum Creek Timberlands LP. Make check payable to Jerry Freeman.
18701 Andrew Jackson Hwy E. Bolton NC 28423

Refunds Name: Smith, Olivia B. Amount: \$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year 008 Account # 15--04763 Bill # 82642 Total \$200.00
Refund the user fee on a vacant house that was paid in error.
853 Sand Hole Rd. Riegelwood NC 28456

**TAX RELEASES (as submitted to the Governing Body Office from the Tax Office):
September 15, 2008**

Release the Property Value in the name of Caviness, James Amount: \$440.10
Value: \$54,000.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-04721 Bill # 2328 Total \$726.50
Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Klondyke Fire (37.80) a portion of the Columbus Rescue (10.80) and a portion of the W2 (37.80). The house is only 50% complete

Release the Property Value in the name of Creech, Alice K. Amount: \$22.01
Value: \$2,700.00 Year: 2008 Account # 01-18075 Bill # 3966 Total \$224.71
Release the value of a mobile home, the Welches Creek Fire (2.16) and Columbus Rescue (.54). The home is double listed in the name of Ronnie Lee.

Release the Property Value in the name of FormyDuval, Joanne Amount: \$31.79
Value: \$3,901.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-08470 Bill # 8317 Total \$34.91
release the property value, the Roseland Fire (2.34) and Columbus Rescue (.78). Property billed with incorrect value.

Release the Property Value in the name of FormyDuval, John Amount: \$9.78
Value: \$1,200.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-13542 Bill # 8328 Total \$11.70
Release the property value the Klondyke Fire (.84) the Columbus Rescue (.24) and W2 (.84). The property is double listed in the name of Genair Stephens.

Release the Property Value in the name of Fowler, Ed Amount: \$6.60
Value: \$810.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06-01039 Bill # 8488 Total \$8.33
Release the value of a boat, the Yam City fire (.81) and the Columbus Rescue (.16). The boat was sold and listed in Davidson County.

Release the Property Value in the name of Gloyers Holiness Church of God Amount: \$47.27
Value: \$5,800.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06-04426 Bill # 0128 Total \$54.23
Release the property value, the Yam City fire (5.80) and the Columbus Rescue (1.16). The property is tax exempt.

Release the Property Value in the name of Gloyers Holiness Church of God Amount: \$614.51
Value: \$75,400.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06-04426 Bill # 0129 Total \$704.99
Release the property value, Yam City fire (75.40) and the Columbus Rescue (15.08). The property is tax exempt.

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Release the Property Value in the name of Grainger, Arthur Jr. Amount: \$305.63
Value: \$37,500.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-16020 Bill # 1607 Total \$365.63
Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Klondyke Fire (26.25), the Columbus Rescue (7.50) and the W2 (26.25). The house burned in 2007. In the process of being remodded.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hammond, Wenona Amount: \$44.01
Value: \$5,400.00 Year: 2008 Account # 10-04537 Bill # 2687 Total \$254.27
Release the value of a mobile home, the Cole Service fee (5.40), Columbus Rescue (1.08) and Ww2 (3.78). The home is double listed in the name of Susan W. Edwards.

Release the Property Value in the name of International Paper Co (LWT Center) Amount: \$21.54
Value: \$2,643.00 Year: 2008 Account # 04-04005 Bill # 5962 Total \$22.07
Release the personal property value and the Columbus Rescue. The business was sold and the equipment was disposed of.

Release the Property Value in the name of Jacobs, Van D. Amount: \$1,801.97
Value: \$221,100.00 Year: 2008 Account # 08-10060 Bill # 6521 Total \$2,178.85
Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the St. James Fire (132.66) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (44.22). The house burned Dec. 28, 2007.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lancaster, Patricia Amount: \$189.90
Value: \$23,300.00 Year: 2008 Account # 14-08470 Bill # 8470 Total \$413.20
Release the value of a double wide home, the Welches Creek Fire (18.64) and the Whiteville Rescue (4.66). The home is double listed in the name of Ann Barnhill.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lucas, Ruth W. Etal Amount: \$524.05
Value: \$64,300.00 Year: 2008 Account # 16-03239 Bill # 0274 Total \$646.22
Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire (64.30), the Columbus Rescue (12.86) and a portion of th W2 (45.01). Customer failed to receive the land use value.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lucas, Ruth W. Etal Amount: \$382.24
Value: \$46,900.00 Year: 2008 Account # 16-03239 Bill # 0280 Total \$471.35
Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire (46.90), the Columbus Rescue (9.38) and a portion of W2 (32.83). Customer failed to receive land use value.

Release the Property Value in the name of Lucas, Ruth W. Etal Amount: \$160.56
Value: \$29,999.00 Year: 2008 Account # 16-03239 Bill # 0281 Total \$197.99
Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire (19.70), the Columbus Rescue (3.94) and a portion of W2 (13.79). Customer failed to receive the land use program.

Release the Property Value in the name of McKoy, Woddie (Heirs) Amount: \$114.10
Value: \$14,000.00 Year: 2008 Account # 11-16760 Bill # 1920 Total \$225.30
Release the value of a mobile home, the Hallsboro Fire (8.40) and Columbus Rescue (2.80). The mobile home burned in 2007. Trash can was picked up July.

Release the Property Value in the name of McPherson, Ben S. Amount: \$8.15
Value: \$1,000.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-03401 Bill # 2199 Total \$209.85
Release the value of a mobile home, the Roseland Fire (.60) and the Columbus Rescue (.20). The home is double listed in the name of Beaverdam Original Freewill Baptist Church.

Release the Property Value in the name of McPherson, Howard Amount: \$6.60
Value: \$810.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-16043 Bill # 2335 Total \$7.41
Release the value of a boat and the Old Dock Fire. The boat was sold in 2007.

Release the Property Value in the name of Moore's Restoration Ministries Inc. Amount: \$111.66
Value: \$13,700.00 Year: 2008 Account # 12-05001 Bill # 3907 Total \$173.99
Release the property value, the Evergreen Fire (50.00) the Columbus Rescue (2.74) and W2 (9.59). The property should be tax exempt.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Alvia M. Amount: \$136.43
Value: \$16,740.00 Year: 2007 Account # 12-03222 Bill # 6078 Total \$386.83
Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire (25.00), the Columbus Rescue (3.35) and W2 (15.07). The home is double listed in the name of Alicia Nance.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Alvia M. Amount: \$126.33
 Value: \$15,500.00 Year: 2008 Account # 12-032222 Bill # 4283 Total \$378.22
 Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire (25.00), Columbus Rescue (3.10) and W2 (10.85). The home is double listed in the name of Alicia Nance.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Alvia M. Amount: \$138.31
 Value: \$18,080.00 Year: 2006 Account # 12-032222 Bill # 5720 Total \$390.39
 Release the value of a mobile home the Evergreen Fire (25.00), the Columbus Rescue (3.62) and W2 (16.27). The home is double listed in the name of Alicia Nance.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Alvia M. Amount: \$141.99
 Value: \$19,450.00 Year: 2005 Account # 12-03222 Bill # 4455 Total \$379.98
 Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire (25.00) the Columbus Rescue (3.89) and W2 (17.51). The home is double listed in the name of Alicia Nance.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Alvia M. Amount: \$163.02
 Value: \$20,900.00 Year: 2004 Account # 12-03222 Bill # 0419 Total \$417.27
 Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire (25.00), the Columbus Rescue (4.18) and W2 (31.35). The home is double listed in the name of Alicia Nance.

Release the Property Value in the name of Nance, Alvia M. Amount: \$175.11
 Value: \$22,450.00 Year: 2003 Account # 12-03222 Bill # 4131 Total \$381.60
 Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire (25.00) and the Columbus Rescue (4.49). The home is double listed in the name of Alicia Nance.

Release the Property Value in the name of PCA National LLC Amount: \$170.44
 Value: \$20,913.00 Year: 2008 Account # 01-68877 Bill # 6123 Total \$174.62
 Release the business personal value and the Whiteville Rescue fee. The business was purchased by CPI Images LLC.

Release the Property Value in the name of Sipes, Michael L. Amount: \$14.93
 Value: \$1,832.00 Year: 2008 Account # 11-03118 Bill # 1840 Total \$18.04
 Release the value of a boat, the Hallsboro Fire (1.10) and the Whiteville Rescue (.37). The boat is listed in Robeson County.

Release the Property Value in the name of Strickland, Daniel Amount: \$322.74
 Value: \$39,600.00 Year: 2008 Account # 16-04611 Bill # 4811 Total \$597.98
 Release the property value, the Cole Service fee (39.00) the Columbus Rescue (7.92) and W2 (27.72). The property was transferred in error..

Release the Property Value in the name of Waccamaw Lumber Co. Amount: \$86.39
 Value: \$10,600.00 Year: 2008 Account # 16-16620 Bill # 7493 Total \$106.53
 Release the property value, the Cerro Gordo Fire (10.60) the Columbus Rescue (2.12) and W2 (7.42). The property is double listed in the same name with a different property number.

Release the Property Value in the name of Watkins, Wilmer O. Amount: \$57.05
 Value: \$7,000.00 Year: 2008 Account # 02-02920 Bill # 8916 Total \$63.35
 Release a portion of the property value, the Brunswick Fire (4.90) and Whiteville Rescue (1.40). The building is double listed in the name of Matthew L. Watkins.

Release the User Fee in the name of Allgood, Mary Ann Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 01-04349 Bill # 5517 Total \$133.32
 Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Applewhite, W. Nelson Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-00840 Bill # 5825 Total \$66.68
 Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Barfield, Anita Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 01-03000 Bill # 6486 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Battery City Inc. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-01670 Bill # 7124 Total \$200.00

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Release the user fee. The old building is vacant.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Bellamy, Jimmy	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 01-04440 Bill # 7474	Total	\$113.00

Release the user fee. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Bethel Holiness Church	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 18-03922 Bill # 2277	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. The church does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Blackman, James G.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-01350 Bill # 8081	Total	\$200.00

Release one of two user fees. The store is using a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Bradley, Ramona	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 14-02375 Bill # 8967	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. The house is still under construction. No trash can here.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Brown, Joseph	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 11-01757 Bill # 9662	Total	\$100.00

Release half of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Brown, Russell	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 12-03980 Bill # 9851	Total	\$200.00

Release one of two user fees. The shop does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Bryant, David Jr.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 14-02611 Bill # 0022	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Bullock, John A.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-07620 Bill # 0486	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cam-Brend Inc	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 11-01060 Bill # 1236	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cartrette, Michael	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 02-05116 Bill # 2156	Total	\$200.00

Release one of two user fees. One house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Coleman, A	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-01022 Bill # 3064	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. The house is vacant and the trash can has been picked up.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Creech, Greg	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 05-01537 Bill # 3992	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. The mobile home is double listed in the name of Roland G. Creech.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cribb, Bobby	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-02234 Bill # 4082	Total	\$200.00

Release user fee. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cribb, Jeremy	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-02053 Bill # 4125	Total	\$83.35

Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Duncan, C.W.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 07-03500 Bill # 5760	Total	\$200.00

Release the user fee. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Elliott, William	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 07-05145 Bill # 6617	Total	\$400.00

Release one user fee on a mobile home that is vacant and does not have a trash can. Release a portion of the user fee on another mobile home that did not have the trash can for a full year, and release a portion of another user fee on a house that did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Enzor, Billy G. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 10-00447 Bill # 6779 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Etheridge, Lautense (Heirs) Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-04212 Bill # 6987 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can. Owner died in 2007.

Release the User Fee in the name of Evans, Michelle Y. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-01645 Bill # 7093 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Faith Baptist Church Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 18-00181 Bill # 2074 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. The church has a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee in the name of Flynn, Floyd W. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-14000 Bill # 8136 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of FormyDuval, Elbert Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-07540 Bill # 8298 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Fowler, David Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06--05133 Bill # 8462 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee that was prepaid in April, 2008.

Release the User Fee in the name of Freeman, Clifford Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-14621 Bill # 8830 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. House vacant, has no power and no trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Freeman, Walter Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 04-05450 Bill # 9087 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Garrell, George Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-09440 Bill # 9465 Total \$100.00
 Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gore Trailer Mfg. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-08800 Bill # 1128 Total \$200.00
 Release user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gore, Billy Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 07-05563 Bill # 0541 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gore, Daniel J. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-08940 Bill # 0587 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial at store.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gore, Daniel J. Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-08760 Bill # 0586 Total \$200.00
 Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee in the name of Gore, Lucille Amount: \$0.00
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06-14900 Bill # 0925 Total \$200.00
 Release one of two user fees. One house is vacant and trash can picked up in 2004.

Release the User Fee in the name of Green, Angela Amount: \$0.00

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Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-04848	Bill # 1807	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home moved to S.C.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Grooms, Hughson			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 11-00008	Bill # 2253	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hardwick, Ronnie			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-00926	Bill # 2961	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Home is in a mobile home park that uses a commercial hauler.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hardwick, Ronnie			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-12802	Bill # 2964	Total	\$400.00
Release both user fees. This is a day care and they use a commercial hauler.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Harrelson, Willard			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03-10460	Bill # 3199	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hayes, Dorothy			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 16-07704	Bill # 3431	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Henry, John			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 11-12781	Bill # 3875	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is unlivable and does not have a trash can					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hughes, Nathaniel			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-08760	Bill # 5632	Total	\$200.00
Release user fee on a house that is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hughes, Nathaniel			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-08760	Bill # 5632	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees that was prepaid in February.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jacobs, George			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 04-08120	Bill # 6333	Total	\$200.00
Release user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jernigan, Paul			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 12-04558	Bill # 6839	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and the trash can was picked up in 2007.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jewell, Jeffrey			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03-04113	Bill # 6877	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee on a shop that is used for storage. No trash can here.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Johnson, Delma			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03--00901	Bill # 6960	Total	\$100.00
Release half of the user fee. This is a vacation home.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Johnson, Donald			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-05149	Bill # 6966	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jones, Charles			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 12-13700	Bill # 7307	Total	\$116.65
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jones, Eunice			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 14-05581	Bill # 7352	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees. One house vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Kelly, Larry			Amount:	\$0.00

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-22190 Bill # 7894	Total	\$116.65
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Kemmerer Jo M.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06-00448 Bill # 7919	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House vacant and has no trash can.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Lanier, David	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-05531 Bill # 8551	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home moved out of the county.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Long, Betty	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 07-10340 Bill # 9717	Total	\$100.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Long, Kenneth R.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 14-03609 Bill # 9936	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fee. Only one trash can here. Shop is vacant.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Long, Nathan	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-24200 Bill # 9975	Total	\$66.68
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Long, Ronald W. (etal)	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 06-01720 Bill # 0037	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Malpass, Ashford	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-25340 Bill # 0470	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees. Only one trash can here. Building vacant.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Mathis, Georgia	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-01330 Bill # 1012	Total	\$200.00
Release user fee. Mobile home moved to Bladen County.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Max Stevens Myers Trust	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 15-02527 Bill # 1113	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant no trash can here.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Mercer, Homer	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 09-20480 Bill # 2901	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House vacant, no trash can here.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Nance, Robert	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-28953 Bill # 4440	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home unlivable and has no trash can.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Nance, Vickie	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 12-20455 Bill # 4467	Total	\$100.00
Release half of the user fee. This is a vacation home.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Norris, Wilson C.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 11-18665 Bill # 5367	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee on a double wide that has been moved to Page Home Sales lot.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Norton, Annie Jo	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 16-12045 Bill # 5389	Total	\$100.00
Release half of the user fee. This is a vacation home.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Oasis Storage LLC	Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 03-01038 Bill # 5508	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Old store vacant and does not have a can.		
Release the User Fee in the name of Owen-Bogan, Karen	Amount:	\$0.00

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Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 15-00025	Bill # 5627	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House vacant, unlivable, and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Price, Herbert				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-24120	Bill # 7575	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Prince, Bonnie				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-05757	Bill # 7828	Total	\$800.00
Release all user fees. Mobile home park has a commercial hauler.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Quattlebaum, Erica				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 14-03035	Bill # 8038	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home moved out of the county.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Ray, Anthony				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-13380	Bill # 8248	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Ray, Estaleen				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03-01448	Bill # 8269	Total	\$39.20
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Riegelwood Sanitary Districk				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 15-31623	Bill # 9017	Total	\$200.00
Release user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Salgado, Carlos				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 08-02344	Bill # 9875	Total	\$116.65
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Samm, Randolph				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 01-01063	Bill # 9893	Total	\$116.65
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Selove, William				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 10-04742	Bill # 0733	Total	\$113.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Sibbett, James				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-14418	Bill # 1320	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Small, Thomas				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 06-33208	Bill # 1968	Total	\$400.00
Release two user fees on a vacant house and a vacant lot.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Smalls, Bertha D.				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 15-34360	Bill # 2003	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Smith, Foster L.				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03-22400	Bill # 2275	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House vacant, unlivable and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Spivey, Pamela				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-28368	Bill # 3706	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up In 2007.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Stevens, William				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 07-16700	Bill # 4501	Total	\$100.00
Release half of the user fee. This is a vacation home.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Stocks, Bradley				Amount:	\$0.00

Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03-01145	Bill # 4571	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees. Shop is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Stout, Ruthene				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 03-24549	Bill # 4712	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees. One home burned n 2007.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Strickland, Betty				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 12-00457	Bill # 4748	Total	\$100.00
Release half of the user fee. This is a vacation home.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Strickland, Beverly				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 16-03624	Bill # 4749	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home has not been set up yet. No trash can here.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Strickland,, Eugene				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 01-90602	Bill # 4857	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. Home burned. No trash can here.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Tabor City Baptish (Parsonage)				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2007	Account # 18-00229	Bill # 3777	Total	\$106.00
Release the user fee. Home is double listed in the name of Angela Watts Tompkins.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Tabor City Baptist (Parsonage)				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 16-00229	Bill # 2111	Total	\$113.00
Release the user fee. Home is double listed in the name of Angela Watts Tompkins.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Thompson, Harold				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 01-93787	Bill # 6039	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee on a mobile home that has not been set up yet. No trash can here.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Thompson, Julian				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 04-15580	Bill # 6092	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Thompson, Virginia				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 12-27566	Bill # 6254	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House vacant and trash can picked up in 2007.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Todd, Myrtle				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-30540	Bill # 6545	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees. The building here is vacant and has never had a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Turbeville, Wendy				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 16-16341	Bill # 6897	Total	\$200.00
Release one of two user fees. Trash can for mobile home was never delivered.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Wagner, Roland				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 04-03410	Bill # 7662	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Watkins, Mickey (heirs)				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 12-05738	Bill # 8909	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. House vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Whaley, Raymond				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 09-00742	Bill # 9583	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee. The shop is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of White, Eugene				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 11-29760	Bill # 9673	Total	\$200.00
Release the user fee that was prepaid in March of 2008.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Wright, Roger				Amount:	\$0.00

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 07-04624 Bill # 1664 Total \$200.00
Release the user fee. Old store is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wtkins, Wilmer Amount: \$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 02-02920 Bill # 8916 Total \$400.00
Release two user fees. One house and one apartment are double listed in the name of Matthew Lee Watkins.

Release the User Fee in the name of Yates, Glenn Amount: \$0.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 13-45920 Bill # 1793 Total \$113.00
Release the user fee on a house that is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Agenda Item #17: COMMENTS:

Chairman Prevatte opened the floor for any comments. The following spoke:

A. Department Heads:

Linda Fry (Social Services): The Columbus County Department of Social Services has been advised we have been awarded one hundred ten thousand and 00/100 (\$110,000.00) dollars of 4-E money.

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:
 - a. The microphone on the podium needs to be replaced or fixed before the October 06, 2008 Board Meeting;
 - b. There is a tax issue with the Dunn Swamp Drainage Project. A citizen has received a six thousand and 00/100 (\$6,000.00) dollars tax fee for this project. I have contacted Richard Gore, Columbus County Tax Administrator, and was told it could be reduced down to nine hundred and 00/100 (\$900.00) dollars.;
 - c. I would like to know why a tax bill was not sent for twenty (20) years and then one was sent;
 - d. We need to make sure the tax bills are done consistently and properly; **and**
 - e. It is my opinion that this needs to be placed on the October 06, 2008 Agenda.
2. **Chairman Prevatte:** stated the following:
 - a. We need to establish two (2) workshop dates;
 - b. We need to establish a joint workshop with the Planning Board for the Mobile Home/Manufactured Home Ordinance, before the second reading is held ; **and**
 - c. We need a workshop with the demographer on the issue of re-districting.

After discussion was conducted among the Board members, it was the general consensus of the Board for the workshops to be established as follows:

1. The date for the Mobile Home/Manufactured Home Ordinance will be on September 22, 2008 or September 29, 2008, at 5:30 P.M., and William Clark, County Manager, would contact the necessary participants in the determination of the workshop date that would work better for everyone involved; **and**
 2. The re-distircting workshop will be on October 06, 2008, and Steven W. Fowler will contact Bill Cooper, the demographer, and set up a time at the discretion of the demographer's schedule, preferably at 5:00 P.M. or 5:30 P.M.
- C. County Manager (William S. Clark):** Greg Wothington, Chairman of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, needs the Chairman's signature on the form for twenty-three thousand and 00/100 (\$23,000.00) dollars of Communities In Schools (CIS) allocated funds.

Chairman Prevatte stated the following:

1. This program has withdrew and the funds have to be unallocated;
2. These available funds have to be advertised;
3. Other organizations in the county have applied for these funds;

4. We need to amend to unallocate these funds and find another program for the funds to be used, and the Board needs to authorize the Chairman to sign the document; **and**
5. This is an amendment on paper.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to approve the twenty-three thousand and 00/100 (\$23,000.00) dollars of Communities In Schools (CIS) allocated funds to be unallocated, and to authorize the Chairman to sign the necessary form for such, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER:

PROCLAMATION - APPROVAL and ADOPTION of LITERACY MONTH 2008
PROCLAMATION: Brenda Troy requested the Board to approve and adopt the following Literacy Month Proclamation 2008.

LITERACY MONTH 2008

By the Chairman of the Columbus County Commissioners, James Prevatte

A PROCLAMATION:

WHEREAS, the need for a highly literate citizenry increases as Columbus County moves toward an increasingly technological future; **and**

WHEREAS, 20 percent of the Columbus County citizens are non-readers; **and**

WHEREAS, 34 percent of the Columbus County citizens experience literacy issues that impact severely on their lives and families, the ability to work productively, and their full participation as citizens and residents in Columbus County; **and**

WHEREAS, the Columbus County Literacy Council works closed with community organizations, churches, businesses, local news media, and literacy volunteers in inviting the general public to join in highlighting the economic and social importance of literacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Prevatte, Chairman, Columbus County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim September 2008 as Literacy Month in the County, and urge my fellow citizens to learn more about the importance of literacy and to become involved with literacy in their communities.

/s/ **JAMES PREVATTE**

Date: 09-15, 2008

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve and adopt the Literacy Month 2008 Proclamation, seconded by Vice Chairman Memory. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:01 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 15, 2008

7:35 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, to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James Prevatte, **Chairman**
 Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
 Amon E. McKenzie
 Lynwood Norris
 Ricky Bullard
 Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
 Steven W. Fowler, **County Attorney**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
 Bobbie Faircloth, **Deputy Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Sammie Jacobs

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:35 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V **Combination** Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the September 02, 2008 **Combination Meeting** Minutes of the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District I.

DISTRICT I ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJUST \$	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
8/5/2008	204930.0098	HOWARD JAMES	100.00-	TAMPERING FEE WAIVED(NOT CUT OFF)
8/5/2008	200600	SARAH NUNEZ	36.20+	BALANCE TRANSFERRED

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8/11/2008	601230.0098	JOHN STEVENSON	29.00-	CUST PD IN TABOR(BILLING ERROR)
8/18/2008	401970	DANIEL HINSON	18.10-	BILLING ERROR
8/19/2008	BATCH 22	DISTR I CUSTS	675.00-	CUST PD IN TABOR ON 8-15-08(PENALTY WAIVED)
8/25/2008	601620	TROY PHIPPS	56.00-	METER READ WRONG
8/25/2008	407291	WILLIAMS SCHOOL	388.00-	METER READ WRONG
8/25/2008	201633	MARSHA FLOYD	30.00-	CUT OFF FEE WAIVED (ERROR)
TOTAL			(\$1,259.90)	

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the adjustments to the August 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District I, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:37 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, September 15, 2008
7:35 P.M.**

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James Prevatte, **Chairman**
Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Steven W. Fowler, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Deputy Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Sammie Jacobs

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:35 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V **Combination** Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the September 02, 2008 **Combination Meeting** Minutes of the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II.

DISTRICT II ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACCT #</u>	<u>NAME ON ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ADJ AMT</u>	<u>REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT</u>
08/05/2008	111630	Melissa Powell	196.00-	Cust Leak

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08/13/2008	132671	Shirley Guyton	9.00-	Meter Read Wrong
08/18/2008	120110	Junior Lawrence	13.00	Meter Read Wrong
08/18/2008	111640.0098	Angela Hill	8.00-	Meter Read Wrong
08/19/2008	112190.0097	Angela Bullard	254.00-	Cust Leak

TOTAL: (\$480.00)

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:37 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, September 15, 2008

7:35 P.M.

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James Prevatte, **Chairman**
Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Steven W. Fowler, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Deputy Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Sammie Jacobs

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:35 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V **Combination** Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the September 02, 2008 **Combination Meeting** Minutes of the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III.

DISTRICT III ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACCT #</u>	<u>NAME ON ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ADJ AMT</u>	<u>REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT</u>
08/05/2008	371180.0098	David Godwin	204.00-	Meter Read Wrong

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08/06/2008	340770.0097	Hubert Bass	40.00-	Meter Read Wrong
08/11/2008	330360	Derrol & Ruth Clark	392.00-	Meter Read Wrong
08/11/20-08	341020.0098	John Malpass	5.00-	Penalty Waived
08/21/2008	4331020	Pauline Brown	42.00-	Cust Leak
TOTAL:			(\$683.00)	

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, seconded Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:37 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, September 15, 2008

7:35 P.M.

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

James Prevatte, **Chairman**
Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
Ronald Gore

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Steven W. Fowler, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Deputy Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Sammie Jacobs

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:35 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V **Combination** Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the September 02, 2008 **Combination Meeting** Minutes of the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV.

DISTRICT IV ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACCT #</u>	<u>NAME ON ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ADJ AMT</u>	<u>REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT</u>
08/08/2008	420507-0098	Amer Martial Arts	32.00-	Meter Read Wrong

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08/18/2008	420270.0097	Richard Croom	67.80+	Posting Error
08/18/2008	420270.0097	Richard Croom	25.00+	Credit Refunded
08/18/2008	4420270.0098	Tracy Sanie	67.80-	Posting Error

TOTAL: (\$57.00)

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:37 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**

Monday, September 15, 2008

7:35 P.M.

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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Bill Memory, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
Lynwood Norris
Ricky Bullard
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APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Steven W. Fowler, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Deputy Finance Officer**

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:

Sammie Jacobs

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:35 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V **Combination** Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #13: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the September 02, 2008 **Combination Meeting** Minutes of the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to the AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Leroy Sellers, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the August, 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V.

DISTRICT V ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACCT #</u>	<u>NAME ON ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ADJ AMT</u>	<u>REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT</u>
08/05/2008	704540.0098	Thomas Small	21.00-	Billing Error

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08/05/2008	704550	Sarah Nunez	36.20-	Balance Transferred
08/19/2008	Batch 23	District V Customers	35.00-	Cust Pd in Tabor on 8-15-08 (Penalty Waived)

TOTAL: (\$92.20)

Commissioner McKenzie made motion to approve the adjustments to the August 2008 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:37 P.M., Vice Chairman Memory made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman