

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**Monday, April 21, 2014****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 the purpose of conducting their regularly scheduled meeting on the third Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

Agenda Items #1, #2 and #3:**MEETING CALLED to ORDER, INVOCATION and PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:**

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the April 21, 2014 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner James E. Prevatte. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Commissioner Charles T. McDowell.

Agenda Item #4: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the April 03, 2014 Board Retreat Minutes, as recorded, and the April 07, 2014 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, with one correction on Page 785, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed..

Agenda Item #5: PUBLIC INPUT:

Chairman Russ opened the floor for public input. The following spoke.

1. **Debra Ward, 890 Walter Ward Road, Nakina, NC:** stated the following:
 - A. I am here tonight to support the radio system;
 - B. We do need it fixed, and we have had this problem for quite some time;
 - C. We can page on the old radio, I have the new radio, I have my phone, and now they are saying we have to get a pager;
 - D. I hope that we can only have one (1) radio with the new system;
 - E. When you are working on a victim, it is difficult to deal with all of these devices to communicate;
 - F. We need this system fixed so it will provide the same coverage for the entire county;
 - G. In the Pireway area, our radios don't work;
 - H. The malfunctioning of the radio system will eventually bite us in a bad way; **and**
 - I. The radio system needs to be fixed.
2. **Elton Ray Jacobs, P.O. Box 339, Bolton, NC:** stated the following:
 - A. I am here tonight in support of the radio system;
 - B. The proposal that is being presented will help alleviate a lot of our problems; **and**
 - C. Please get the radio system fixed.

Agenda Item #6: PROCLAMATION - MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION:

Randy Norris, State President of Concerned Bikers Association, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month Proclamation, May 2014.

**MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH
PROCLAMATION
MAY 2014**

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and transportation for thousands of citizens across North Carolina and the United States; **and**

WHEREAS, North Carolina has over one hundred forty-two thousand (196,000) registered motorcycles and over two hundred sixty thousand (260,000) licensed drivers who have either a motorcycle endorsement or a motorcycle learner's permit; **and**

WHEREAS, it is important that the citizens of North Carolina be aware of motorcycles on our roadways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety and of sharing the roadways; **and**

WHEREAS, the safe operation of a motorcycle is enhanced through a combination of rider training and experience, good judgment, and a knowledge of traffic laws and licensing requirements; **and**

WHEREAS, several organizations, such as the **Columbus County Concerned Bikers Association (CBA)**, along with the North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Education Program, other state and local motorcycle clubs and riding/social clubs, are committed to increasing the safe operation of motorcycles by promoting rider-safety education programs, and their goal is to alert the motorists of Columbus County to

LOOK TWICE, SAVE A LIFE

; and

WHEREAS, MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH is designed to increase public awareness about motorcycles and to encourage their safe and proper use among motorcycle riders.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2014 as "**MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH**" in Columbus County, and urge all citizens to commend its observance.

ADOPTED this the 21st day of April, 2014.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ **P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman**

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ **JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board**

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve and adopt the Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month Proclamation, May 2014, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion **unanimously passed**.

Agenda Item #7: PRESENTATION - MENTAL HEALTH UPDATE:

Ken Jones, CEO for Eastpointe, delivered the following update on mental health.

1. I would like to recognize some people that are here tonight as follows:
Commissioner Prevatte - Vice Chairman of the Eastpointe Board
Paul Russ - Consumer and Family Advisory Committee Chairperson
Kathy Baker - Communications Officer **-and-**
William Sellers.
2. We are a twelve (12) County Authority;
3. We are managing care for the indigent population
4. We went from a budget of \$50 million to a budget of \$300 million;
5. Our Mission Statement is as follows:
Eastpointe works together with individuals, families, providers, and communities to achieve valued outcomes in our behavioral healthcare system.
6. Functions of the LME/MCO:
-24/7/365 Access to Care

- Review of Service Requests
- Care Coordination
- Provider Network Development / Monitoring
- Grievance and Appeals
- Quality Improvement (Data Driven)
- Other Business Ops (IT, HR, Finance, etc.)
- Claims Processing / Provider Payment
- 7. Business Plan Initiatives (Highlights):
 - Transition to Community Living (DOJ Settlement)
 - Reduce Crisis and ER wait time
 - Identify high cost/high need clients of both behavioral health and physical health
 - Decrease readmission rates into hospitals
 - Maintain Provider Network that meets needs
 - Link individuals with an Intellectual / Developmental Disability who are on the registry of unmet needs to services
 - Move children who are in Psychiatric Rehabilitation Treatment Facilities closer to home
- 8. Where is the State going:
 - Managing Integrated Care
 Fewer MCO's (4) Regional (support a Public Option plan . . . Secretary of Health and Human Services reports to the General Assembly her recommendation in March 2014)
- 9. What do we maintain:
 - Culture of the Organization:
 - Customer Service
 - Professional, fair, and systematic approach of ensuring our members get the right service, the right amount, and at the right time
 - Local Presence
 - Care and Support of Staff
 - Vision of being a business that provides managed care, stays connected to the member and is a good steward of the public funds
- 10. Financial Report January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Total Revenues	\$282,950,149
Total Risk Reserve/Expense	\$278,522,350
Earnings from Operations	\$4,427,799

Agenda Item #8: PRESENTATION - EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN:

Mark Browder, Mark III Brokerage, Incorporated, presented the following information on the renewal of the proposed group health insurance for Columbus County and wellness strategies.

1. Based on Claims, we expected an increase from CIGNA for the 2014-2105 plan year;
2. We requested quotes from Aetna, BCBSNC, CIGNA, First Health of the Carolinas, United Healthcare and Wellpath;
3. We expected a 10% increase and it ended up to be a 20% increase;
4. The most competitive response we received was BSBSNC at 3% and a 0% increase from United Healthcare;
5. The recommendation is for the County to transition to United Healthcare effective July 1, 2014;
6. Wellness Plan::
 - In the spring of 2013 -
 - The County conducted an interest only biometric screenings with Doctors Direct, for the employee population
 - The participation was very poor
 - Only 13% of the employee population participated
 - This does not meet the normal engagement rate with other counties, which approaches 90%
7. Recommendation for 2014:
 - Today, the medical plan is free. For 2014, employees will contribute \$30 per month towards the coverage
 - However, if employees participate in the biometric screening with Doctors Direct, the medical plan will continue to be free
 - This will give the County the engagement that will start to address the health issues that exist within the County population
8. Biometric Screening is a simple blood draw for blood sugar, cholesterol, taking blood pressure and the recordation of weight;

9. This is not results driven, it is participation only.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to change the County healthcare coverage from CIGNA to United Healthcare, effective July 01, 2014, and to approve the Wellness Plan as presented, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #9: EMERGENCY SERVICES - PROPOSAL FROM KENWOOD and COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST and FUNDING:

Jerry Hodges, Chairman of the Communications Committee, and Kay Worley, Emergency Services Director, are requesting the Board to approve the acceptance of the proposal from Kenwood, the Communications Specialist, and approval to fund both proposals.

Lengthy and in-depth discussion was conducted relative to the following:

1. Every previous issue that was brought up was addressed with the previous radio vendor;
2. Communication was conducted with Stan Scott with Kenwood Manufacturer of North Carolina;
3. The two (2) biggest issues were coverage issues and paging;
4. Fleet Connect was the original contractor that installed the radio system;
5. Communications Specialists is an independent Kenwood dealer, and will be helping us maintain the radio system in the coming years;
6. No guarantee in the original contract and no guarantee in the new contract;
7. Optimizing the existing sites with no additions or changes;
8. Frequency issues that need to be addressed with the FCC;
9. Can't guarantee all coverage;
10. No manufacturer makes paging ability in a trunking system;
11. Kenwood has 900 dealers who are competent to build a radio system;
12. Mobiles and portables need to be re-programmed;
13. All manufacturers do not make all of their parts;
14. What Kenwood puts in will have a one (1) year part and labor warrant after the system has been signed off on;
15. ADR has a unique setup, and their existing system is working fine;
16. No performance bond is included in the contract;
17. The Board needs to be well informed at all stages, before checks are written.
18. Coverage testing was done in conventional mode, and there is no handshake;
19. In the trunking mode, there is a handshake; **and**
20. No guarantee can be given.

ORIGINAL MOTION:

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to move forward with the funding for the proposal from Kenwood and the Communications Specialist with the Board being informed of the progress, signs off, and is 100% satisfied, seconded by Commissioner Bullard.

Discussion was conducted relative to how this process would actually take place.

1st AMENDED MOTION:

Commissioner McDowell amended his motion to move forward with the funding for the proposal from Kenwood and the Communications Specialist, and at every stage of the process, the Board is kept informed, the Board is satisfied, and the Board signs off on the work, as well as the final payment.

Discussion was conducted as to who will sign off on the progress of the work being performed.

2ND AMENDED MOTION:

Commissioner McDowell amended his motion for the second time to move forward with the funding for the proposal from Kenwood and the Communications Specialist with the Communications Committee reporting to the Board at each and every stage of the process, that includes the one (1) year warranty, after the final sign off on the system. Commissioner Bullard amended his motion. The second amended motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #10: SOCIAL SERVICES - MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

Algernon McKenzie, Social Services Director, delivered the following Monthly Administrative Update.

On March 12, 2014, our agency staff meeting was held. During the meeting, staff was updated on NCFAST. Family & Children's Medicaid is now entering applications in the new system. We also talked about the budget for 2014-15.

Staff was given information from the Social Security Administration and the Veterans Administration on income verifications for clients applying for benefits and how to get them.

During the staff meeting, I read the letter sent to DSS by the County Commissioners, thanking staff for their service during the county-wide ice storm.

During the month of March, I attended the Columbus County Transportation Advisory Meeting and met the new Director of First Transit. I also attended the Department Managers Meeting, Executive Board Meeting and the Child Welfare Supervisors Meeting.

On March 17, 2014, our phone system was repaired. We had been unable to receive voice messages for almost a month, due to damage from the ice storm; which increased the number of phone calls to our front desk.

During the month, 31 applicants were approved for LIEAP assistance and 14 were not eligible. This energy program ended on March 31, 2014.

A Supervisors Meeting was held on March 19, 2014. We discussed budget requests and NCFAST issues. Supervisors were reminded their staff should be signing in and out on Scotland Yard. Workers need to be at work on time or take leave.

On March 24-26, 2014, the State sponsored a leadership summit in Greensboro, NC and paid for myself and two supervisors to attend. During this meeting, we received updates on policies and procedures for Food & Nutrition and Medicaid. Networking sessions were held to learn and exchange ideas on how to work through the NCFAST system issues. We also talked about the next steps with NCFAST and the USDA deadline for processing applications and re-certifications.

March 31, 2014 was the deadline for North Carolina to have all back-logged applications and re-certifications processed for Food & Nutrition. However, on that morning, around 9:30am, the system went down statewide and we were unable to process any cases in the NCFAST system. We received an e-mail from the NCFAST Team that there was a problem with the software and it would not be fixed until the system shut down, which was around 7:30pm.

Workers continue to work overtime trying to get caught up, but it is difficult. The volume of work continues to increase with the online applications and walk-ins. At some point, we may need to explore adding additional staff.

**March 2014
Economic Services**

Food & Nutrition	Applications Taken: 377 Applications Approved: 342 Active Cases: 6,482 Benefits Issued: 1,567,339 Participants Served: 13,590
Adult Medicaid	Applications Taken: 115 Individuals Receiving: 5,564 Cases Terminated: 36
Family & Children's Medicaid	Applications Taken: 386 Individuals Receiving: 9,466 Applications Processed: 124

Child Support	Absent Parents Located: 131 Orders Enforced: 888 Active Cases: 4,331 Collections: \$494,756.26
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**March 2014
Human Services**

Adult Services (APS)	APS Reports Accepted: 10 County Wards: 18 Adults Served via Guardianship: 16 Adults Served APS: 26 Number of Medicaid Transportation Trips: 1,368 Amount Requested for Reimbursement: \$23,704.45
Children's Protective Services (CPS)	Reports Accepted: 40 Reports Screened out: 16 Families Receiving In-Home Services: 34 Children Served: 74 Contacts with Families Monthly: 147 Assessments: 29
Foster Care	Foster Children in Foster Homes: 70 Children Placed Outside County: 13 Agency Adoptions: 0 Pending Adoptions: 1 Total Foster Homes Licensed: 11
Work First Employment (TANF)	Applications Taken: 46 Applications Approved: 35 Individuals Receiving Benefits: 605 Entered Employment: 3 Number in Non-Paid Work Experience: 3
Program Integrity	Collections for Fraud: \$13,180.46 New Referrals: 49 Cases Established: 11
Day Care	Children Receiving Day Care Assistance: 599 Children on the Waiting List: 117 Amount Spent on Day Care Services: \$204,055.15

Economic Services Program Narrative

Universal Intake, Processing and Triage Unit

Food and Nutrition Program and Adult and Family and Children's Medicaid

Rest Home and Nursing Home/Community Alternatives Program (CAP)

Work First Family Assistance/Cash/Medicaid Transportation & Supportive Services

Child Support & Paralegal

Submitted by: Cyndi Hammonds, Income Maintenance Administrator

Reporting Month: **March 2014**

News/Updates/Vacancies

Universal Intake, Triage and Processing

The Universal Intake team has worked diligently on meeting the demands of clients coming in and applying. Processing has focused on meeting the USDA deadlines of having overdue Food and Nutrition cases processed. The Medicaid processors have received a total of 714 applications from the Marketplace to process. This many applications and the slowness and glitches of NC FAST have caused Medicaid to have overdue cases. We have 6 new employees in training right now and still have one vacancy to fill. Our 2 On Site Support ladies that the NC FAST team took and sent to Raleigh for 6 weeks are back as of March 19th. They are helping workers solve issues they run into with navigation of the system. When they can not solve the problem, then it is escalated up to the help desk at the State level for them to resolve.

The Triage Unit assisted 808 walk in clients that has greatly helped other workers continue to work on getting applications and recertifications out.

Food and Nutrition/Adult Medicaid/Family and Children's Medicaid

The Food and Nutrition Review staff continues to work comp time to get families fed. They have been behind in completing recertifications due to vacancies in that team and still NC FAST slowness and glitches. March 31st was the deadline for counties not to have any overdue cases and the system was so slow workers could not key but about 2 cases each on that day. We received an e-mail from the NC FAST team stating they had problems with the system and would be putting in a "patch" on the night of the 31st. This team has 1 worker in training and 2 vacancies.

The Family and Children's Medicaid review team have returned to getting their recertifications completed after the State extended their cases for 3 months. They were first told they would have to go in NC FAST, so workers terminated cases in the old system to be prepared for them to go in NC FAST. Three days prior to the cases being due, we got notification from the State that NC was granted permission to use the old Medicaid rules from 2013 and to enter the recertifications in EIS (the old system). Workers are working as quickly as possible to get them back in the old system, however some will be delayed due to this change. This team has 1 vacancy.

The Adult Medicaid team continues to work in the old system. This team has 2 vacancies; both employees; one a 5 year employee and the other a 7 year employee, left for higher salaries in 2 different counties.

Work First Family Assistance/Cash//Medicaid Transportation & Supportive Services

The Work First team has finally gotten one application to successfully go thru NC FAST after several weeks of attempts.

Medicaid Transportation continues to have help from the agency interpreter in order to try to keep the workload up. Many dollars are spent each month to transport clients to and from their medical facilities.

Housekeeping is maintaining with the resignation of one housekeeper. Maintenance and the other housekeeper are working together to keep all areas clean.

Child Support

Child Support prepared 424 cases for court and continues to pass all self assessment scores. They continue to go to court 4 times a month. They are presently fully staffed with 4 workers in training.

Paralegal

Our paralegal completed 329 orders and 220 Certificates of Service for Child Support Court. She also reviewed 49 orders and 88 Certificates of Service the attorney completed.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARD REPORT

Children's Protective Services/Intake/Investigation/Assessment

Children's Protective Services/In-Home Services

Children's Protective Services/Foster Care/Adoptions

Adult Services

Work First Employment

Child Day Care

Program Integrity

Melinda H. Lane, Program Manager

Vacancies/Updates/News for March 2014

Intake/Investigation/Assessment:

The Intake/Investigation/Assessment Unit continues to have a Social Worker on limited duty. This Unit is also currently short-staffed due to the promotion of a Social Worker to a Supervisor's position. Interviews are scheduled to begin soon. Numbers are up; therefore staff is currently experiencing a heavier caseload at this time, especially while being short staffed. CPS is preparing for Child Abuse Prevention Month which is in April.

In-Home Services:

The In-Home Services Unit is now fully staffed. The Supervisor is currently attending Supervisor training which is only offered to Child Welfare Supervisors at this time.

Foster Care/Adoptions:

The Foster Care/Adoptions Unit continues to be one Social Worker short due to the transfer of a Social Worker to another Unit. Interviews are being rescheduled. This Unit was monitored during the month of February for Title IV-E Adoption Assistance and Social Services Block Grant. The Final Report was recently received with no errors in IV-E and only two cases in error in SSBG, but these results will not require a payback.

Adult Services:

The Adult Services Unit currently has two staff members on medical leave.

Work First Employment:

None.

Child Day Care:

None.

Program Integrity:

Crisis Intervention Program and Energy Neighbor continue to have limited funding and applications are being taken on a case-by-case basis with 7 CIP applications and 6 Energy Neighbor applications completed during the month of March. Program Integrity collections are now increasing and hopefully will continue to do so since the Energy Assistance Programs have wound down.

Agenda Item #11: LAKE WACCAMAW FIRE DEPARTMENT - DISCUSSION:

Mayor Daniel Hilburn delivered the following statement to the Board and requested that the statement be recorded in the official record of the minutes.

Columbus County Board of Commissioners Meeting
April 21, 2014

Mr. Chairman and commissioners, my name is Daniel Hilburn, and I'm the mayor at Lake Waccamaw. I come to you tonight to speak to you on behalf of the Town of Lake Waccamaw, its board of commissioners, and the citizens who live in and around our community. I come to you to ask you to consider a request based on not one voice or a small group of voices but of the entire community that we are elected to serve.

There have recently been statements made publicly that are just not true and we felt it was time to address your board to explain what the town has done and plans to do in way of public safety, when it comes to the modern terminology of fire, rescue, and emergency medical services.

We feel that due to recent events with another department in the county, that we have been included in those events as being similar in nature. We are far from that in that we are not two private groups of individuals arguing over who has the authority to do what. We are an elected board of commissioners, elected by the majority, just like y'all are. The Town of Lake Waccamaw has been providing Fire and Rescue services, to include ambulance services, to the people of this county since 1955 by ordinance that was enacted. In 1955, there was no terminology about ambulance services that said EMS on it, but only in modern times has this terminology evolved. So for 55 years, until 2010, the town has provided good quality service to the town's residents, as well as the people in this county, ensuring that we had what we needed to do the job and do it well. In 2010, the EMS contract was given to the Lake Waccamaw Fire and Rescue Auxiliary, a non-profit organization that formed in 1989 to support, aide, and benefit the Town of Lake Waccamaw's Fire and Rescue, not to take it over, and to become a somewhat private transport company, and ever since that contract a little over three years ago, that group was under the supervision of the town and the board of commissioners appointed the chief for those departments.

Recent events caused the board to replace that chief due to obvious deficiencies in those departments. At that time the replacement of the chief was the only action taken by the board and as soon as that was done, the small group of people that call themselves the auxiliary, walked out of the town's fire department and caused us to contact the state fire marshals office to let them know

what had taken place, and ultimately led to us shutting down Station 9 until we could reorganize and bring the department back to state standards. The inspection by the state fire marshal was no surprise to us because we contacted them in the beginning to advise them of the situation. The fire marshals inspection did however substantiate the very reasons that we replaced the chief and those deficiencies were noted in his inspection. We intended to continue services as usual bringing those deficiencies up to standards with the new chief, however, when the auxiliary members walked out, ignoring the very public safety that they accuse us of ignoring, they caused that closure of Station 9, due mainly to a lack of personnel required by state standards to operate a fire department.

I tell you this, because the board of commissioners at Lake Waccamaw has never ignored public safety and from the very beginning attempted to ensure that the auxiliary had everything they needed to continue to answer emergency medical calls. When the town felt that some of those auxiliary members were being disruptive and a harm to the cohesiveness of the department, they were told not to come back on town property. The auxiliary was allowed to remain at Station 9 up until the time as equipment began to disappear from the department, over \$1,700.00 worth of LP gas was used in a couple of weeks due to the thermostat being left on high in the bays for the equipment, records required by the state were removed, and the building was broken into. At this time, in consideration of the situation, we asked the auxiliary to get what they needed to run EMS calls and vacate Station 9 until this matter was resolved. We did not ask them to do anything that they had not already started doing themselves, in that they were parking the ambulance at various members residence and responding to calls from those residences anyway. Several members admitted to doing the above referenced acts and therefore we felt just in our request and made that decision unanimously.

When the auxiliary left the department, there were fourteen county issued radios left at Station 9, one of which was without a battery. As the fire department began making preparations to get up to standards so that the fire marshals office could re-inspect the department, we began to request turn out gear be returned to the fire department from former fire members. Due to some of the equipment from the building being removed and the building being broken into, I asked the town manager to have the police department assist with the investigation and also in the recovery of the town owned property (turn out gear) and the county owned property (radios) from former fire members. Up until recently, no radios were returned, until the town received news that a former fireman had Station 9 turn out gear on at some fire training somewhere else with another department. At that time the town reviewed the list of auxiliary members that actually responded to a call last year and that subject was not on it. After a request was ignored that the town made to the auxiliary for a list of their current members, we felt that we had done everything possible to ensure that this subject was a former fireman only and not active in the auxiliary, especially since he had no history of responding to any calls last year. After that radio was returned and a receipt given to that person for that radio, Mr. Worrell addressed your board and made statements that simply weren't true. Since that time, the radio was returned to that member and that is the only radio that we had received since this situation began. I tell you this because the auxiliary should have the remaining sixteen radios of the thirty that were issued to Station 9, since we only have fourteen. Mr. Worrell said that they were using cell phones to respond to calls, if that is true, than the auxiliary is already experiencing management problems because if a plan was developed and put into place then they should have more than enough radios to provide adequate communications with the proper supervision.

The town is nearing the end of a total reorganization of its fire department and will shortly be contacting the fire marshals office again to request another inspection, one that will get us back up and running, providing the very services that we have been doing for almost sixty years. We have thirty six volunteers, of which thirty three are on our primary roster and citizens whom reside in the city limits. Our equipment has been tested and ready and the town board issued a check for \$50,000 recently to obtain the needed pagers, equipment, and the radios we are short from the county to meet the requirements of the state. The town board of commissioners also has begun thinking outside the box to address future issues by offering a pay incentive to town employees who volunteer for the fire department so that when other volunteers are at work during the day, we have boots on the ground in the town to respond to calls. These employees are there Monday through Friday and will certainly be an asset to our department and the fire district we serve.

We are also asking the county to exercise the ninety day step out clause with the Lake Waccamaw Fire and Rescue Auxiliary for EMS services in the county. We feel that as an elected board of commissioners that we represent everyone and have the public's best interest in mind when executing these services and that the county has a solid basis to continue the relationship with the Town of Lake Waccamaw since we have enjoyed this partnership since 1955. I bring to you a

solution and not a problem, we have taken the necessary steps to put an EMS service at Lake Waccamaw twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, three hundred and sixty five days a year. This will start at a minimum of an intermediate squad, but we have very short plans to elevate to a paramedic squad, which would be an outstanding addition to the counties emergency medical services on the east end of the county. With three schools, two industrial plants, two rest homes, the boys and girls homes, and the lake itself being a recreational spot, this level of twenty four hour a day coverage will certainly be a step in the right direction for the citizens of this county. We are prepared once the county makes a decision and if they exercise the ninety day step out clause with the Auxiliary and re-enter into a full contract with the town, to provide full disclosure of this plan to provide these services and we are excited for the future of this elevated level of public safety that we are willing to provide through our partnership with you the county and the towns board of commissioners.

I most sincerely and respectfully make this request on behalf of the Lake Waccamaw board of commissioners and Mr. Chairman, I thank you and the board for this time to speak with you on this very important matter of public safety.

THANK YOU.

Agenda Item #12: REGISTER OF DEEDS - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:

The Honorable Kandance Bullock, Columbus County Registrar, delivered the following departmental update to the Board.

TYPE	YEAR 2012	YEAR 2013	DIFFERENCE
Marriage Licenses Issued	\$19,740	\$20,100	\$360
Excise Tax	\$120,351	\$110,859	(\$9,492)
Deeds & Other Instruments	\$98,839	\$98,956	\$117
Deeds of Trust	\$68,186	\$75,192	\$7,006
Certified Births, Deaths, Marriages, plain copies, Plats and UCC's	\$72,875.75	\$75,892.25	\$3,016.50
TOTAL:	\$379,991.75	\$380,999.25	\$1,007.50

TYPE	YEAR 2012	YEAR 2013	DIFFERENCE
Marriages Processed	329	335	6
Births Processed	427	436	9
Deaths Processed	561	618	57

Agenda Item #13: SHERIFF - APPROVAL of LEASE AGREEMENT:

The Honorable Lewis L. Hatcher, Columbus County Sheriff, requested Board approval of the following Lease Agreement.

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF COLUMBUS**

LEASE AGREEMENT

This LEASE AGREEMENT (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") made and entered into this 1st day of May, 2014, by and between Joyce C. Worrell, (hereinafter referred to as "Lessor") and Columbus County Sheriff's Office (hereinafter referred to as "Lessee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Lessor is the owner of certain real property being, lying and situated in Columbus County, such real property having a street address of 904 Jefferson Street, Whiteville, NC 28472. That certain property situated and being more particularly described as follows:

To have and to hold the mobile home and parking area located at 904 Jefferson Street, Whiteville,

NC 28472, together with the privileges of signs located on above stated property; and

WHEREAS, Lessor is desirous of leasing the Premises to Lessee upon the terms and conditions as contained herein; and

WHEREAS, Lessee is desirous of leasing the Premises from Lessor on the terms and conditions as contained herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the covenants and obligations contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

1. TERM. Lessor leases to Lessee and Lessee leases from Lessor the above described premises together with any and all appurtenances thereto, for a term of one (1) year, such term beginning on the 1st day of May, 2014, and ending on the 30th day of April, 2015. The Lessor also agrees to give the Lessee the option to rent property on a yearly basis hereafter.
2. RENT AND DEPOSITS. The rent during the term hereof shall be \$600.00 per month, payable on the 15th day of each month of the term, in equal installments of \$600.00 dollars. The first installment to be paid by the Lessee upon the due execution of this Agreement and all subsequent monthly rental payments being due on the 15th day of each month thereafter. A security payment was paid by the Lessee on May 05, 2012, when the property was inspected and all repairs were made by the Lessor. Such deposit shall be refunded to Lessee at the expiration of the lease and the property is vacated and left in good condition, less normal wear and tear.

The Lessee agrees to give thirty (30) days advance written notice to the Lessor or to the Lessor's Agent to cancel this Agreement.

The Lessee agrees to vacate the premises on 90 days written notice from the Lessor or his Agent if possession is requested for any reason other than breach of contract.

3. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING. The Lessee may not assign or sublet any portion of the Premises thereof, and that Premises shall be occupied only by those parties specified or named herein.
4. USE OF PREMISES. During the original term or extension of this Agreement, the Lessee shall use the Premises for the operation of a Professional Services Business. The Lessee shall comply with any and all laws, ordinances, rules and orders of any and all city, county, governmental or quasi-governmental authorities affecting the cleanliness, use, occupancy and preservation of the Premises. The Property shall not be used for any unlawful or immoral practice or to so occupy the Premises as to constitute a nuisance.
5. ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS. The space herein identified is office space ready for stocking and equipping for the particular business named herein.

At the expiration or termination of this Lease, the general interior of the demised premises shall be returned to the Lessor in their original condition subject to the ordinary wear and tear with usage. The Lessee may remove any of his own fixtures, improvements or other items placed on the premises provided the space is returned in its original condition.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Lessee shall not keep on the premises any item of a dangerous, flammable or explosive character that might unreasonably increase the danger of fire or explosion on the Premises or that might be considered hazardous or extra hazardous by any responsible insurance company.
7. UTILITIES. Lessee shall be responsible for arranging for and paying for all utility services to and on the Premises.
8. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR. Lessee shall, during the term of this Agreement and any extension thereof, at their sole expense, keep and maintain the premises and appurtenances in as good order and repair as it was at the date of the commencement of this Lease. The Lessee shall maintain the property and its contents, including furnishings, fixtures, appliances, and amenities, in good condition and repair and keep the Premises in a clean and

sanitary manner. The Lessee shall repair at their own expense any damage done beyond that of ordinary wear and tear, and will be responsible for and have repaired any damage caused by negligence and misuse. The lessee shall not be obligated to make any repair which is occasioned by defective workmanship in the construction of the building or by catastrophic acts of nature and such repair shall be made by the Lessor at its own expense.

The Lessee agrees, at their expense, to maintain and keep the interior and exterior of the Premises clean and in good condition. In addition, the Lessee will be responsible for maintaining the Parking area and the yard, including the lawn, plants, shrubbery, and vegetation, and to keep all areas clean and free of rubbish and in a presentable condition at all times, and to comply with all City Ordinances concerning garbage collection, waste and other refuse.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Lessee shall:

- (a) Not obstruct the driveways, sidewalks, courts, entry ways, stairs and/or halls, which shall be used for the purposes of ingress and egress only;
 - (b) Keep all windows, glass, window coverings, doors, locks and hardware in good, clean order and repair;
 - (c) Not obstruct or cover the windows or doors; not leave windows or doors in an open position during any inclement weather;
 - (d) Keep the steps and porches clean;
 - (e) Keep all air conditioning filters clean and free from dirt. The Lessee shall be responsible for replacement of air conditioning filters and light bulbs. These filters are to be replaced as often as needed;
 - (f) Keep batteries operating in smoke alarms;
 - (g) Keep all lavatories, sinks, toilets, and all other water and plumbing apparatus in good order and repair and shall use same only for the purposes for which they were constructed. Lessee shall not allow any sweepings, rubbish, sand, rags, ashes or other substances to be thrown or deposited therein. Any damage to and from any such apparatus and the cost of clearing stopped plumbing and other repairs resulting from misuse and negligence shall be borne by Lessee;
 - (h) Deposit all trash, garbage, rubbish or refuse in the locations provided therefore and shall not allow any trash, garbage, rubbish or refuse to be stored inside Premises or on porches.
9. **INSPECTION OF PREMISES.** Lessor and Lessor's Agents shall have the right at all reasonable times during the term of this Agreement and any renewal thereof to enter the Premises for the purpose of inspecting the Premises and all buildings and improvements thereon. And for the purposes of making any repairs, additions or alterations as may be deemed appropriate by Lessor for the preservation of the Premises or the building. Lessor and its Agents shall further have the right to exhibit the Premises and to display the usual "for sale", "for rent" or "vacancy" signs on the Premises at any time within thirty (30) days before the expiration of this Lease.
 10. **SURRENDER OF PREMISES.** Upon the expiration of the term hereof, Lessee shall surrender the Premises in as good a state and condition as they were at the commencement of the Agreement, reasonable use and ordinary wear and tear thereof excepted. Upon vacating, Lessee shall pay all utilities due and have same discontinued; to see that the property is swept out and all trash or other refuse is removed from the Premises; that the doors and windows are properly locked and fastened; and the keys returned to the Lessor.
 11. **INDEMNIFICATION.** Lessor shall not be liable for any damage or injury of or to the Lessee, Lessee's family, guests, invitees, customers, agents or employees or to any person entering the Premises or the building of which the Premises are a part or to goods or equipment, or in the structure or equipment of the structure of which the Premises are a part, and Lessee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Lessor harmless from any and all claims assertions of every kind and nature.
 12. **DEFAULT.** If Lessee defaults in payment of any rental installment when due, or fails to comply with any of the material provisions of this Agreement, or of any present rules and regulations or any that may be hereafter prescribed by Lessor, or materially fails to comply with any duties imposed on Lessee by statute, the Lessor may, at Lessor's option, upon proper written notice of default to Lessee, exercise any and all rights and remedies available

to Lessor by law or in equity or may immediately terminate this Agreement.

13. **LATE CHARGE.** In the event that any payment to be paid by Lessee hereunder is not made within fourteen (14) days of when due, Lessee may be required to pay to Lessor, in addition to such payment or other charges due hereunder, a "late fee" in the amount of five (5%) percent of rental payment.
14. **ABANDONMENT.** If at any time during the term of this Agreement, Lessee abandons the Premises or any part thereof, Lessor may, at Lessor's option, obtain possession of the Premises in the manner provided by law, and without becoming liable to Lessee for damages or for any payment of any kind whatsoever. If Lessor's right of re-entry is exercised following abandonment of the Premises by lessee, then Lessor shall consider any personal property belonging to Lessee and left on the Premises to also have been abandoned, in which case Lessor may dispose of all such personal property in any manner Lessor shall deem proper and Lessor is hereby relieved of all liability for doing so.
15. **MODIFICATION.** The parties hereby agree that this document contains the entire agreement between the parties and this Agreement shall not be modified, changed, altered or amended in any way except through a written statement signed by all of the parties hereto.
16. A donation letter for four thousand and 00/100 (\$4,000.00) dollars will be issued to Joyce Worrell for each fiscal year for the duration of the lease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE DULY EXECUTED THIS LEASE AS THE DAY AND YEAR FIRST WRITTEN.

As to Lessor this 1st day of May, 2014.

LESSOR: /s/ **JOYCE C. SORRELL**

BY: JOYCE C. SORRELL _____

TITLE: _____

As to Lessee this 1st day of May, 2014.

LESSEE: /s/ **P. EDWIN RUSS**

BY: P. EDWIN RUSS

TITLE: Chairman, Columbus County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the Lease Agreement by and between Joyce C. SORRELL and Columbus County Sheriff's Office, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #14: FIREWORKS - PERMISSION for FIREWORKS at FOURTH of JULY CELEBRATION, and WAIVER OF PERMIT FEE:

Cynthia S. Nelson, EVP, Tabor City Chamber of Commerce, requested Board approval to permit fireworks at the Fourth of July Celebration at South Columbus High School, and waiver of the permit fee, on July 03, 2014.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve fireworks at the Fourth of July Celebration at South Columbus High School, and waiver of the permit fee, on July 03, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #15: PRESENTATION - PAPERLESS BOARD PACKETS:

Alan James, M.I.S. Director, delivered the following information to the board on the use of tablets for paperless board packets. Mr. James had three (3) device samples to share with the Board.

TABLET COMPARISON

Consideration	Apple IPAD Air	Microsoft Surface 2	ASUS T100
Operating System	Apple IOS 7	Windows RT 8.1	Full Version Win 8.1
Screen Size	9.7"	10.6"	10.1"
Storage Space	64 gb	64gb	64gb
External ports (USB)	None	USB (1)	USB (1)
Reviews	Good	good	Good
Office Software	Office for IPAD Apps	Office 2013 RT	Office 2013
Price	\$829	\$550	\$379
Keyboard	Additional \$70	Additional \$130	Included
Total with Keyboard	\$900	\$680	\$379
x 11 units	\$9,900	\$7,480	\$4,169

Notes:

***Total price is an estimate and does not include shipping or tax, if any.**

***Price Samples shown are from the Wal-Mart website 4/21/2014 - actual purchase price will vary based on vendor quotes received at the time of purchase authorization.**

Mr. James stated the following:

1. The initial plan is to have all of this information on the County server and then you would have the links on your desktop to download previous Agendas and Board Packets; **and**
2. My recommendation, at this time, is the ASUS T100.

Discussion was conducted relative to the following:

1. The monthly fee for internet access, if needed, will be at an additional cost of approximately \$42.00 per month, per unit;
2. The great need for a workshop;
3. Will there be savings or not;
4. The advantages of using these tablets over using paper copies;
5. The plan, at this time, is to order eleven (11) tablets including one (1) tablet for the M.I.S. Director;
6. The recommendation came from the County Manager; **and**
7. The need for this issue to be re-visited at a later date.

After lengthy discussion, Commissioner Byrd made a motion for the Board to remain with the paper Board Packets, seconded by Commissioner Bullard.

A roll-call vote was taken with the following results:

AYES: Chairman Russ, Commissioners McDowell, Byrd and Bullard; **and**
NAYS: Vice Chairman Burroughs, Commissioners Prevatte and McKenzie.

The motion passes on a four (4) to three (3) vote.

Agenda Item #16: **FINANCE - RESOLUTION RELATING to an INSTALLMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT to FINANCE the COST of RENOVATING the HISTORIC COLUMBUS COUNTY COURTHOUSE -AND- RESOLUTION of the BOARD of COMMISSIONERS for the COUNTY of COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA, DECLARING its INTENTION to REIMBURSE SAID COUNTY FROM the PROCEEDS of ONE or MORE TAX-EXEMPT FINANCINGS for CERTAIN EXPENDITURES in CONNECTION with RENOVATING the HISTORIC COLUMBUS COUNTY COURTHOUSE:**

Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following two (2) Resolutions.

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, was held in the Dempsey B. Herring Courthouse Annex Building, located at 112 West Smith Street, in Whiteville, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting, at 6:30 P.M., on April 21, 2014.

Present: Chairman P. Edwin Russ, presiding, and Commissioners Amon E. McKenzie, James E. Prevatte, Giles E. Byrd, Trent Burroughs, Ricky Bullard and Charles T. McDowell.

Absent: None.

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Commissioner P. Edwin Russ introduced the following resolution, a copy of which had been made available to each Commissioner:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN INSTALLMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT TO FINANCE THE COST OF RENOVATING THE HISTORIC COLUMBUS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina (the "County"), is considering entering into an installment financing agreement and certain related documents pursuant to Section 160A-20 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as amended, for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for renovating the historic Columbus County Courthouse in Whiteville, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to take certain related action at this time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County as follows:

Section 1. The County Manager, the Finance Officer and the County Attorney of the County are each hereby designated as a representative of the County to file an application for approval of such proposed agreement with the Local Government Commission of North Carolina and are authorized to take such other actions as may be advisable in connection with the negotiation of such proposed agreement and the development of the related financing; and all actions heretofore taken by any of such officers relating to such matter on behalf of the County are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 2. The law firm of Robinson, Bradshaw & Hinson, P.A., Charlotte, North Carolina, is hereby confirmed as special counsel of the County in connection with such proposed agreement.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Upon consideration of the foregoing resolution and motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing resolution was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners (Chairman) P. Edwin Russ. (Vice Chairman) Trent Burroughs, Amon E. McKenzie, James E. Prevatte, Giles E. Byrd, Ricky Bullard and Charles T. McDowell.

Noes: None.

Thereupon Commissioner P. Edwin Russ introduced the following resolution copy of which had been made available to each Commissioner:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBUS, NORTH CAROLINA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO REIMBURSE SAID COUNTY FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ONE OR MORE TAX-EXEMPT FINANCINGS FOR CERTAIN EXPENDITURES IN CONNECTION WITH RENOVATING THE HISTORIC COLUMBUS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

WHEREAS, the County of Columbus, North Carolina (the "County"), is a political subdivision organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the County has paid, beginning no earlier than February 20, 2014, and will pay, on and after the date hereof, certain expenditures in connection with renovating the historic Columbus County Courthouse in Whiteville, North Carolina (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the County (the "Board") has determined that certain moneys previously advanced by the County no earlier than February 20, 2014 and to be advanced on and after the date hereof by the County to pay such expenditures (the "Expenditures") are available only for a temporary period and it is and will be necessary to reimburse the County for the Expenditures from the proceeds of one or more tax-exempt financings including one or more installment financing agreements pursuant to Section 160A-20 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as amended (collectively the "Tax-exempt Financings");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Section 1. The Board hereby declares the County's intent to reimburse the County with the proceeds of the Tax-exempt Financings for the Expenditures made on and after February 20, 2014, which date is no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof. The County reasonably expects on the date hereof that it will reimburse the Expenditures with the proceeds of the Tax-exempt Financings.

Section 2. Each Expenditure was or will be (a) of a type properly chargeable to a capital account under general federal income tax principles (determined in each case as of the date of the Expenditure), (b) a cost of issuance with respect to the Tax-exempt Financings, © a nonrecurring item that is not customarily payable from current revenues, (d) a grant to a party that is not related to or an agent of the County so long as such grant does not impose any obligation or condition (directly or indirectly) to repay any amount to or for the benefit of the County.

Section 3. The maximum principal amount of the Tax-exempt Financings expected to be entered into with respect to the Project is \$5,000,000 plus such additional amounts, if any, as shall be determined to be reasonably necessary for the funding or payment of costs of entering into the Tax-exempt Financings.

Section 4. The County will make a reimbursement allocation, which is a written allocation by the County that evidences the County's use of proceeds of the Tax-exempt Financings to reimburse an Expenditure, no later than 18 months after the later of the date on which the Expenditure is paid or the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three years after the date on which the Expenditure is paid. The County recognizes that exceptions are available for certain preliminary expenditures, costs of issuance, certain de minimis amounts, expenditures by small issuers (based on the year of entering into a Tax-exempt Financing and not the year of expenditure) and expenditures for construction projects of at least five years.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Thereupon, upon consideration of the foregoing resolution and motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing resolution was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners (Chairman) P. Edwin Russ, (Vice Chairman) Trent Burroughs, Amon E. McKenzie, James E. Prevatte, Giles E. Byrd, Ricky Bullard and Charles T. McDowell.

Noes: None.

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I, June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of so much of the proceedings of said Board at a regular meeting held on April 21, 2014 as relates in any way to the passage of the resolutions described therein and that said proceedings are recorded in Minute Book No. 33 of the minutes of said Board, beginning on page 792 and ending on page ____.

I HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that notice of said meeting was duly given in accordance with G.S. §143-318.12.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of said County, this 22nd day of April 2014.

/s/ **JUNE B. HALL**
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the Resolution Relating to an Installment Financing Agreement to Finance the Cost of Renovating the Historic Columbus County Courthouse and the Resolution of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus, North Carolina, Declaring its Intention to Reimburse Said County from the Proceeds of one or more Tax-Exempt Financings for Certain Expenditures in Connection with Renovating the Historic Columbus County Courthouse, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

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

At 8:41 P.M., Commissioner Byrd 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 #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 07, 2014 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting

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

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to MARCH, 2014 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the March, 2014 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

At 8:44 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #19: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

A. Budget Amendment:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	20-4921-489098	Account Closeout	131,037
Revenues	20-3492-499101	Fund Balance Appropriated	131,037

B. Tax Refunds and Releases:

<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$89.32
Dubar, Marion	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$989.18
Value: \$2,380.00	Year: 10-13	Account: 15-12401	Bill#: 99999
Release value of mobile home. Burned 12/17/09. Release Acme Delco(13.19) release Columbus Rescue(2.20) Release late list(10.47)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$257.93
Gooden, Robert	PROPERTY: 95474	Total:	\$738.45
Value: \$19,300.00	Year: 12-13	Account: 15-04717	Bill#: 99999

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Release total value . Listed to wrong person. Prop# 83697 correct. Release Acme Delco(38.16) release Columbus Rescue(6.36)

<i>Property Value</i>	Amount:	\$1,635.08
Thompson, Donna c/o John Henry Butler PROPERTY: 84690	Total:	\$3,327.60
Value: \$84,690.00 Year: 07-13 Account: 09-05206	Bill#:	99999

Release value of mobile home. Burned later part of 2006. Release Williams Fire(161.64) release Columbus Rescue(53.88)

<i>Property Value</i>	Amount:	\$109.48
Vereen, Ronnie & Murline S. PROPERTY: 76896	Total:	\$125.80
Value: \$28,500.00 Year: 2013 Account: 06-40389	Bill#:	51137

Release value of D/W. 100% burned in 1/6/2012. Release Yam City(13.60) release Columbus Rescue(2.72)

<i>Property Value</i>	Amount:	\$8.05
Weatherford, Billy Carl PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$10.44
Value: \$1,000.00 Year: 2013 Account: 13-01541	Bill#:	53104

Release value of boat. Sold. Release Roseland Fire(.60) release Columbus Rescue(.20) release Water II (.70) release late list(.89)

<i>Property Value</i>	Amount:	\$409.86
Williamson, Gregory Neal PROPERTY: 23144	Total:	\$505.62
Value: \$9,200.00 Year: 09-13 Account: 12-30803	Bill#:	99999

Release entire value. DBL Act#12-02543. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(50.40) release Columbus Rescue(10.08) release Water II (35.28)

<i>Refunds</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Chavez, Tomasa Pimentel PROPERTY: 93840	Total:	\$433.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2010/ Account: 08-05113	Bill#:	99999

Refund user fee. No can ever sent to this address.

<i>Refunds</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Core, Rutheria PROPERTY: 17679	Total:	\$131.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 10-02923	Bill#:	16010

Refund user fee. Vacant no can per Town of Fair Bluff.

<i>Refunds</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
West Lisa c/o Ken West PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 13-00336	Bill#:	53314

Refund user fee. Can picked up 5/24/12 Vacant.

<i>Refunds</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Wilson, Eloise J.c/o William C Harmon PROPERTY: 9916	Total:	\$436.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 05-07613	Bill#:	54868

Refund user fee. Dwelling vacant..

<i>User Fee</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Barnhill, James E. (Jr.) & Roxane PROPERTY: 93079	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 03-02221	Bill#:	8968

Release user fee. Hog house. Vacant.

<i>User Fee</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Chavez, Tomasa Pimentel PROPERTY: 93840	Total:	\$441.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 11/13 Account: 08-05113	Bill#:	99999

Release user fee. No can sent.

<i>User Fee</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Coleman, Jan Davis c/o Jerry Barnes PROPERTY: 24973	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 13-04317	Bill#:	15452

Release user fee. Dwelling Vacant. Can picked up 10/13/10

<i>User Fee</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Columbus Christian Academy PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$654.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 18-00037	Bill#:	55898

Release user fee. Has commercial hauler.

<i>User Fee</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Edmund, Pamela PROPERTY: 75364	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 12-05916	Bill#:	18761

Release user fee. Never had a can.

<i>User Fee</i>	Amount:	\$0.00
Floyd, William Page PROPERTY: 17658	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013 Account: 10-05658	Bill#:	20669

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.

User Fee

Hayes, Linda King

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 17877
Account: 10-02536

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 26161

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.

User Fee

Jacobs, Ronald

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 00000
Account: 15-04733

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 29258

Release user fee. Vacant.

User Fee

Jenkins, Terry G.(ETAL)

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 9063
Account: 04-04141

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$131.00
Bill#: 29580

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant per Town of Bolton.

User Fee

McPherson, Billy

Value: \$0.00 Year: 11-13

PROPERTY: 00000
Account: 01-01361

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$659.00
Bill#: 99999

Release user fee. Only 1 can at M/H

User Fee

McPherson, Willie Paul

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 87540
Account: 02-00619

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 35747

Release user fee Dwelling vacant.

User Fee

Palabra Viva Hispanic Church Inc.

Value: \$0.00 Year: 11-13

PROPERTY: 00000
Account: 18-05558

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$398.00
Bill#: 99999

Release user fee. No can at church.

User Fee

Perritte, Angela Tyler (Life)

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 76768
Account: 09-03702

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 39662

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.

User Fee

Powell, Alaine Gore

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 88252
Account: 16-03244

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 40377

Release user fee. Uses a commercial hauler.

User Fee

Powell, Robert Lee (Jr) & Bonita

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 81376
Account: 15-30620

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 40686

Release user fee. M/H vacant.

User Fee

Ransom, Herbert (Deceased)

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 00000
Account: 05-05442

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 99999

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant. Can picked up 4/2006

User Fee

Singleton, Issac

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 00000
Account: 09-03536

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 45322

Release user fee. Uses a commercial hauler

User Fee

Slater, Susan

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 6205
Account: 01-05385

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$131.00
Bill#: 45404

Release user fee. Vacant.

User Fee

Vaught, Ophelia (Heirs)

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 18368
Account: 10-17520

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$131.00
Bill#: 51065

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.

User Fee

Wade Patty Cribb

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2013

PROPERTY: 15634
Account: 09-01947

Amount: \$0.00
Total: \$218.00
Bill#: 51409

Release user fee. Dwelling vacant. Can picked up 3-6-08

Chairman Russ opened the floor for comments. The following spoke.

A. Department Manager:

Gary Lanier, Economic Development/Planning Director: stated the following:

1. I have passed out a modified Incentive Grant for National Spinning;
2. They are making an additional \$400,000, plus, of investments and have asked for this to be considered;
3. They are upgrading some equipment they had in place in addition to the new equipment; **and**
4. It is the same number of jobs.

COLUMBUS COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANT

Project: National Spinning – Phase II – January 2014 (**Modified**)
Investment: \$788,433 Minimum of 9 jobs
County Tax Rate: 0.805

Tax Year	County Property Taxes Paid on Investment**	Percentage	Grant Amount
Tax Year 1	\$6,347	85%	\$5,394.85
Tax Year 2	\$6,347	80%	\$5,077.51
Tax Year 3	\$6,347	75%	\$4,760.16
Tax Year 4	\$6,347	70%	\$4,442.82
Tax Year 5	\$6,347	70%	\$4,442.82
Total over 5 year period	\$31,734	76%	\$24,118.17

**Hypothetical does not include depreciation of equipment, which will affect property taxes paid and incentives grant awarded.

This is only a proposal. All incentives must be approved by Columbus County Board of Commissioners. The requirement of creating a minimum number of jobs has been dropped, but the number created may influence the decision by the Commissioners.

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Commissioner McDowell:** stated the following:
 - a. Danny, the hydrant at the intersection of Manley Smith Road and Reeves Ferry Road, has it been moved?
Danny Fowler: replied stating no we have not, we are going to try to move it tomorrow.
 - b. Danny, what is the progress on the Gore Lake bidding?
Danny Fowler: It should go out to bid within two (2) weeks.
 - c. Danny, how many signups did we get, and were verified, in Southwood?
Danny Fowler: I don't have that information with me tonight.
 - d. Can we combine Dogwood Estates and Prison Camp Road with the ongoing project and move on those together?
William S. Clark: replied stating it is my understanding that there is not enough money left over in the existing contract to pay for Prison Camp Road or Southwood. There is enough money to pay for Dogwood Estates and Gore Lake. It would be my recommendation, at this time, that we look at those as separate projects.

2. **Commissioner Prevatte:** stated the following:
 - a. I would like to thank Alan and Bobbie for their research on these machines; **and**
 - b. To everyone else, I appreciate what you do.

3. **Commissioner Bullard:** stated the following:

- a Gary, do we ever get any zoning guidelines for the County on junkyards and other things popping up around churches that are undesirable;
Gary Lanier: replied stating the following:
 -Tomorrow night, we are looking at a final draft of the Blanket Land Use Ordinance for the County and once the Planning Board approves that, and at that point, we need to go out for public hearings;
 -Do you want to have public hearings here at a central location, or go out to the remote locations of the County?
- b. Mr. Clark, I have had several people complain about the Fire Marshal driving a County vehicle to Acme Delco Fire Department and leaving it and then get his personal vehicle to drive home in Brunswick County, and they don't like it.

After discussion was conducted, the Board requested that Mr. Clark check into this matter.

4. **Commissioner Russ:** stated the following:
 a. I would like to commend Kay Worley and her department for the National Telecommunications Week; **and**
 b. I would like for you to look at Lake Waccamaw a little differently.
5. **Commissioner Prevatte:** One (1) of the things the previous planner did was inspect mobile home parks, and has that been done?
Gary Lanier: The Health Department is doing that, and we got the letters, and they did them all through 2013, and we are sending out the letters to the people for them to pay their fees.
6. **Commissioner Burroughs:** I understand we have adopted an Abandoned Structure Ordinance and we have no funds in the budget to enforce it. I think if we have these ordinances in place, we need some money in place to enforce them.
- C. **County Manager (William S. Clark):** we got a letter from the Columbus County School Board and they want to meet with this Board to discuss their local expenses and capital outlay budget needs.

After discussion, it was the general consensus of the Board to schedule the meeting for April 28, 2014, at 7:00 P.M., in the Commissioners Chambers, if all members are available.

Agenda Item #21: ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:03 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

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

Monday, April 21, 2014

8:41 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 District I Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:41 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 07, 2014 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the April 07, 2014 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to MARCH, 2014 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District I.

March 2014 Adjustments for Water District I

DATE	ACCT #	ACCOUNT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/6/2014	603290.00 98	LIZZIE SMITH	\$(142.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/5/2014	400620.00 98	DONNA PHILLIPS	\$(116.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

DATE	ACCT #	ACCOUNT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/12/2014	405200.00 97	CHRISTY GRAINGER	\$(264.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/24/2014	400740.00 98	MARJORIE KELLEY	\$(63.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/24/2014	207054.00 98	PERSELL HAWKINS	\$(178.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/27/2014	206620.00 98	DAVID FOWLER	\$(40.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/31/2014	402510.00 98	BUCK WATTS	\$(72.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/31/2014	205040.00 98	FREDA HUTCHINSON	\$(267.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to approve the adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District I, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

EXTENSION of REDUCED HOOKUP FEE:

Commissioner McKenzie requested to know how many services had been sold at the reduced hookup fee. Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, stated that fifty-seven (57) services had been sold.

Commissioner McKenzie recommended that the reduced hookup fee deadline be extended until December.

Commissioner Prevatte recommended that the Board wait until July, 2014 to make this decision, after the adoption of the budget.

After discussion was conducted, it was the general consensus of the Board to wait until July, 2014 to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:44 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

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

Monday, April 21, 2014

8:41 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 District II Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:41 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 07, 2014 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the April 07, 2014 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to MARCH, 2014 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II.

March 2014 Adjustments for Water District II

DATE	ACCT #	ACCOUNT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/11/2014	130990.00 97	DYGH T SMITH	\$(123.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

DATE	ACCT #	ACCOUNT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/11/2014	111691.00 96	CLIFTON NOBLES	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/10/2014	133320.00 98	WOODMAN OF THE WORLD	\$(76.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/10/2014	132674.00 98	PHILISTINE BELLAMY	\$(175.00)	BILLING ERROR
3/7/2014	111356.00 97	GLADYS GERALD	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/7/2014	111378.00 92	VICKY CASWELL	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/6/2014	121080.00 98	GEORGE POMEROY	\$(71.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/4/2014	141555.00 98	REGINA WILLIAMS	\$(71.00)	BILLING ERROR
3/12/2014	121250.00 98	PEGGY SORRELL	\$(28.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/12/2014	111273.00 95	GRISALDA GARCIA	\$(30.00)	BILLING ERROR
3/12/2014	131400.00 97	RENEE PREVATTE	\$36.00	RETURNED CHECK
3/12/2014	131400.00 97	RENEE PREVATTE	\$25.00	RETURNED CHECK FEE
3/13/2014	143014.00 98	IDA LADSON	\$(735.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/17/2014	142520.00 98	LUTHER SAMUEL JR	\$(356.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/17/2014	141180.00 98	SHELTON WILLIAMS	\$(74.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/18/2014	132495.00 98	CHARLES POWELL	\$(53.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/20/2014	132800.00 98	HERMAN KINLAW	\$(166.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/25/2014	141805.00 98	JIMMY WELLS	\$(20.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/26/2014	110775.00 97	DONALD HERMAN	\$(444.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to approve the adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District II, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

INTERCONNECTION PROJECT:

Commissioner McKenzie requested to know the status of the Interconnection Project. Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, stated that we have seventy-five (75) out of one hundred twelve (112) services installed, and all we lack is getting a full certification for the pump station.

EXTENSION of REDUCED HOOKUP FEE:

Commissioner McKenzie requested to know how many services had been sold at the reduced hookup fee. Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, stated that fifty-seven (57) services had been sold.

Commissioner McKenzie recommended that the reduced hookup fee deadline be extended until December.

Commissioner Prevatte recommended that the Board wait until July, 2014 to make this decision, after the adoption of the budget.

After discussion was conducted, it was the general consensus of the Board to wait until July, 2014 to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:44 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

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

Monday, April 21, 2014

8:41 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 District III Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:41 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 07, 2014 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the April 07, 2014 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to MARCH, 2014 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III.

March 2014 Adjustments for Water District III

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/7/2014	380030.00 98	FREDDIE COLES	\$(65.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/5/2014	341750.00 95	DONALD WOODY	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/6/2014	370830.00 98	CAROLYN WARD	\$(60.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/11/2014	341147.00 97	DALTON HAYNES	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/12/2014	341147.00 97	DALTON HAYNES	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/12/2014	341147.00 97	DALTON HAYNES	\$10.00	DAMAGED EQUIPMENT
3/12/2014	350630.00 98	HELEN CARROLL	\$50.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/18/2014	370310.00 98	IVAN PRICE	\$(370.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/18/2014	350012.00 98	ST STEPHEN CHURCH	\$(524.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/31/2014	350735.00 98	LUBEN BEST	\$(962.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to approve the adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District III, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

EXTENSION of REDUCED HOOKUP FEE:

Commissioner McKenzie requested to know how many services had been sold at the reduced hookup fee. Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, stated that fifty-seven (57) services had been sold.

Commissioner McKenzie recommended that the reduced hookup fee deadline be extended until December.

Commissioner Prevatte recommended that the Board wait until July, 2014 to make this decision, after the adoption of the budget.

After discussion was conducted, it was the general consensus of the Board to wait until July, 2014 to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:44 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

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

Monday, April 21, 2014

8:41 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 District IV Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:41 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 07, 2014 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the April 07, 2014 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to MARCH, 2014 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV.

March 2014 Adjustments for Water District IV

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/4/2014	430536.00 98	ELIZABETH BARSH	\$(6.00)	BILLING ERROR

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/12/2014	430579.00 98	NEVA LLOYD	\$(270.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/12/2014	430091.00 98	MARY SMITH	\$(49.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/18/2014	420620.00 98	KENNETH MYERS	\$(1,540.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to approve the adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

EXTENSION of REDUCED HOOKUP FEE:

Commissioner McKenzie requested to know how many services had been sold at the reduced hookup fee. Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, stated that fifty-seven (57) services had been sold.

Commissioner McKenzie recommended that the reduced hookup fee deadline be extended until December.

Commissioner Prevatte recommended that the Board wait until July, 2014 to make this decision, after the adoption of the budget.

After discussion was conducted, it was the general consensus of the Board to wait until July, 2014 to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:44 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman

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

Monday, April 21, 2014

8:41 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 District V Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

P. Edwin Russ, **Chairman**
Trent Burroughs, **Vice Chairman**
Amon E. McKenzie
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

William S. Clark, **County Manager**
Mike Stephens, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 8:41 P.M., Chairman P. Edwin Russ called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #17: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

April 07, 2014 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting

Commissioner Prevatte made a motion to approve the April 07, 2014 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of ADJUSTMENTS to MARCH, 2014 MONTHLY WATER BILLS:

Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, requested Board approval of the following adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V.

March 2014 Adjustments for Water District V

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/11/2014	709965.00 98	GEORGE FAULK	\$215.00	METER TAMPERING FEE
3/6/2014	800110.00 98	BILLIE MCDUFFIE	\$(928.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

DATE	ACCT #	ACCT NAME	ADJ AMT	REASON FOR ADJUSTMENT
3/24/2014	800563.00 98	GENEVA LONG	\$(56.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT
3/31/2014	709802.00 98	JEFFERSON BELLAMY	\$(168.00)	LEAK ADJUSTMENT

Vice Chairman Burroughs made a motion to approve the adjustments to the March, 2014 monthly water bills for Columbus County Water and Sewer District V, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

OTHER:

EXTENSION of REDUCED HOOKUP FEE:

Commissioner McKenzie requested to know how many services had been sold at the reduced hookup fee. Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director, stated that fifty-seven (57) services had been sold.

Commissioner McKenzie recommended that the reduced hookup fee deadline be extended until December.

Commissioner Prevatte recommended that the Board wait until July, 2014 to make this decision, after the adoption of the budget.

After discussion was conducted, it was the general consensus of the Board to wait until July, 2014 to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:44 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

P. EDWIN RUSS, Chairman