

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS****Monday, January 04, 2016****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 first Monday.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

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

**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:**

Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the January 04, 2016 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 Amon E. McKenzie.

**Agenda Item #4: PRESENTATION - RETIREMENT PLAQUE:**

The following retirement plaque was presented to **Leta T. Lee** for her many years of service to the Columbus County Maintenance Department. The plaque was accepted for Ms. Lee by her daughter Ms. Joyce Elkins.

***PRESENTED TO******LETA T. LEE***

***IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION  
 FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LOYALTY  
 TO  
 COLUMBUS COUNTY  
 MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT***

***11-13-1990 - 12-18-2015******\*\*\*\*\*******COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS*****Agenda Item #5: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to approve the December 07, 2015 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes, with the recommended corrections on Pages 509 and 510, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #6: PUBLIC INPUT:**

Chairman Byrd opened the floor for Public Input. The following spoke.

**Anita Adams, 233 Mt. Calvary Road, Clarkton, NC 28433:** stated the following:

1. We are coming along well with the Veterans Park;
2. We have sent out invitations for the groundbreaking ceremony on January 14, 2016, at 11:00 A.M.;
3. I would like to tell you that we have been able to do a lot of things with the support of this Board and the citizens of Columbus County;

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4. We provided Christmas for nine (9) children;
5. We did a surprise Christmas party for the homeless veterans at the Ashley House in Wilmington; **and**
6. A big thank you for everything that you have done.

**Agenda Item #7: MENTAL HEALTH - UPDATE:**

Victoria Jackson, Chief of Clinical Operations, delivered the following annual update on Mental Health to the Board.

1. I want to deliver you some updates on mental health in the area;
2. I am a licensed clinical social worker and I have been this for about thirteen (13) years;
3. Eastpointe is a managed care organization for behavioral health;
4. We serve people who receive Medicaid and state funding;
5. We are a managed care organization for mental health, substance abuse and intellectual development disabilities;
6. We are regulated by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and we also have a credit advise which means we cannot mess up our rules;
7. We cover twelve (12) counties at the present;
8. We have a team of clinical staff and a team of medical doctors that review;
9. Our member call center is for twenty-four (24) hours, and we handle all crisis calls that come in and folks who are at want of services; **and**
10. We have a Mental Health First Aid and a Crisis Intervention Training for law enforcement.

**Questions / Discussion:**

**Vice Chairman McDowell:** How many clinics do you have that are close to or in Columbus County?

**Victoria Jackson:** replied stating Primary Health Choice, Monarch, Advantaged Behavioral and Dixon, our HNH Service.

**Vice Chairman McDowell:** Are they funded by you, or do they just receive funding?

**Victoria Jackson:** They are contracted by us.

**Vice Chairman McDowell:** Does Eastpointe work with the City of Whiteville schools?

**Victoria Jackson:** Yes.

**Commissioner Prevatte:** Many changes have occurred since the LME's and the MCO's have started. In Columbus County, we do not have a walk-in clinic, and people in need do not know where to go to get help.

**Victoria Jackson:** In Columbus County, we have Monarch which is a walk-in clinic for mental health located on 626 South Main Street. The workshop is located at 207 West Walter Street. Monarch is not a twenty-four (24) hour clinic.

**Commissioner Prevatte:** This information has not been advertised. Discussion is underway relative to providing office space to be used for those in critical need.

**William S. Clark, County Manager:** We would like some statistics on Columbus County, how many people are being served?

**Agenda Item #8: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:**

Gary Lanier, Economic Development Manager, delivered the following departmental update to the Board.

**Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Industrial**

Project Start	Incentive Grant	Project/ Company	Investment Committed	*Actual Investment	New Jobs Committed	*New Jobs Created	Comments
2012	Yes	West Fraser (Phase II)	\$15,500,000	\$13,215,940	0	0	100+ outside logging jobs expected to be created
2012	Yes	Direct Market Access	\$823,000	\$1,293,935	5	7	Expanded into new building

2012	Yes	MaxPro Manufacturing	\$5,180,000	\$8,500,000	26	19	
2012	Yes	Top Tobacco (exp. #3)	\$7,500,000	\$5,735,774	5	12	
2013	Yes	West Fraser (phase III)	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	6	6	Continuous Flow Kiln Project
2013	Yes	Ply Gem Industries (Kroy)	\$15,500,000	-	127	68	\$25,000 one-time incentive grant; investment unknown at this time; jobs have been added slowly as process is refined
2013	No	Toad Campers	\$100,000	\$100,000	30	12	
2013	Yes	National Spinning	\$686,776	\$686,776	6	6	
2014	Yes	National Spinning	\$342,195	342,195	9	9	
2014	Yes	Black's Tire	\$1,000,000	\$1,823,715	8	27	Actual investment unknown at this time
2014	Yes	Filtec precise	\$1,445,000	\$3,680,735	15	TBD	Construction complete - installing equipment
2015	<b>Pending</b>	Shodja Textiles	\$1,250,000	In Process	15		Conflandey Bldg- New Equip-in process
2015	Yes	R J Corman Railroad	\$18,800,000	\$13,800,000	25-30		\$1.8 MM in incentives from Columbus County
2015	Yes	International Paper Co.	\$128,000,000	In Process	0		Major Expansion - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fluff Line
<b>TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$199,126,971</b>	<b>\$57,179,070</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>166</b>	

\*To Date

### Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Building Reuse & Restoration Rural Hope Grants

Applied	Awarded	Project/Company	Grant Amt Requested	Grant Amount Awarded	Jobs Committed	Comments
2012	2012	Project Cinema (MaxPro Manufacturing)	\$312,000	\$312,000	26	
2013	2013	Project Green (Ply Gem Industries)	\$194,504	\$194,504	127	145 jobs expected but only 127 committed for grant amt requested
2013	Withdrawn	Project Richard (Community Support Agency)	\$250,000	-	50	Project delayed- planning to revise and resubmit application
2014	2014	Whiteville Fabrics	\$120,280	\$120,280	15	Building Reuse Grant for Fromer FlowLine Bldg
<b>TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$876,784</b>	<b>\$626,784</b>	<b>218</b>	

### Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Other Grants

Applied	Awarded	Project/Company	Grant Amt Requested	Grant Amt Awarded	Jobs Committed	Comments
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2012	2012	MaxPro Manufacturing	\$118,617	\$ -	26	Grant in process through Commerce from Industrial Dev Fund to put in water and sewer to Shell Building
2012	2012	MaxPro Manufacturing	\$100,000	\$100,000		Grant through NCDOT to extend Industrial Blvd. Across Chadbourne Hwy.
2012	Denied	Columbus Alternative Energy & Ag-Biotechnology Center	\$100,000	\$ -		Economic Innovation Grant -Application Letter of Intent sent to NC Rural Center
2013	2013	Ply Gem (Kroy)	\$150,000	\$150,00	145	OneNC Grant
2013	2013	Ply Gem (Kroy)	\$25,000	\$25,000		145 jobs expected but only 127 committed for grant amount requested
2013	Withdrawn	Greenhouse Project	\$60,000	\$ -	?	Project put on hold with Tobacco Trust Fund
2014	2015	Carolina Southern Railroad Appraisal	\$200,000	\$200,000		Grant through Golden LEAF & NC DOT to pay for RR Appraisal
<b>TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$753,617.00</b>	<b>\$475,000</b>	<b>171</b>	

**Columbus County Economic Development Projects - Restaurant & Retail Establishments**

Project Start	Incentive Grant	Project/Company	Comments
2012	No	Roses	
2012	No	Big Lots	Expansion to new store
2012	No	Family Dollar - Tabor City	
2012	No	Subway - Whiteville North	
2013	No	Dollar Tree	Expansion to new store
2013	No	Papa John's	
2013	No	McDonalds's - Tabor City	
2013	No	Pet Sense	
2013	No	Panchitos Mexican Restaurant	
2013	No	Franco's NY Pizza	
2013	No	Southern Sisters/Country Boy Outfitters	Relocation to new store
2013	No	Byrdville Farm Market	
2013	No	Turner's Restaurant	
2013	No	Cititrends	
2013	No	Dollar General	Expansion to new store
2013	No	Jimmy's Seafood	Expansion (now Mark's Seafood)
2013	No	Nikki Couture Bridal & Formal Wear	
2014	No	Darryl's Bakery	
2014	No	Slugger's Deli	Conversion of former Taco Bell location

<b>Columbus County Renewable Energy Projects</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Date On Line</b>	<b>Developer</b>	<b>Type</b>
<b><u>On Line:</u></b>				
Bowman Farm (Chadbourn Solar Farm)	Midway Road, Whiteville	2012	Strata Solar	Solar
McKenzie Farm	Maultsby St., Whiteville (in city)	2013	Strata Solar	Solar
Garrell Farm	Georgia Pacific Road, Chadbourn	2013	Strata Solar	Solar
Chauncey Farm	Chauncey Town Rd, Lake Waccamaw, NC	2014	Strata Solar	Solar
Columbus County Landfill Gas Project	Former Landfill Site, Whiteville, NC	2013	Columbus Co	LG
Graham Solar Farm	471 Graham St., Fair Bluff, NC	2014	Heliosage	Solar
Dessie Farm	Dessie Road, Chadbourn, NC	2015	Heliosage	Solar
Broadway Solar Farm	Dessie Road, Chadbourn, NC	2015	Heliosage	Solar
Meares Solar Center, LLC	497 Graham Street, Fair Bluff, NC	2015	Heliosage	Solar
<b><u>Under Construction/Funding Approved:</u></b>				
Cronley Bluffs Farm	Cronley Road, Delco, NC	SUP issued, construction begins Oct, 2015	Strata	Solar
<b><u>Planned for 2015-2016:</u></b>				
Innovative Solar 71 (Application not received)	1061 Swamp Fox Hwy E., Tabor City, NC		Innovative Solar	Solar
Innovative Solar 72 (Tabor City ETJ)	200 Barnhill Lane, Tabor City, NC		Innovative Solar	Solar
Project 20028	Merritt Road, Whiteville		Pristine Sun	Solar
Red Hill Road Parcel	7288 Red Hill Road, Whiteville		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Swamp Fox Parcel	6587 Swamp Fox Hwy West, Tabor City		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Swamp Fox Parcel	5618 Swamp Fox Hwy West, Tabor City		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Walter Todd Road Parcel	2714 Walter Todd Road, Clarendon		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Mill Branch Road Parcel	599 Mill Branch Church Road, Tabor City		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
June Solar LLC	Mitchell Road, Delco		Sunlight Partners	Solar
Heedeh Solar, LLC	Brinkley Road, Delso		Sunlight Partners	Solar
King Parcel	703 Bud Stephens Road, Evergreen		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Davis Parcel	70 Ethan Lane, Evergreen		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Mercer Parcel	657 Mill Branch Church Rd., Tabor City		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Freeman Parcel	449 Farmer's Union Road, Clarkton		URENEW Solar, LLC	Solar
Cyprus Creek Farms 1 & 2	Highway 701		Cyprus Creek	Solar

International Paper	Woody Biomass Project (on hold)			
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Note A: Heliosage has changed its name to Coronal Development Services

Estimating 4 persons per home and multiplying by 19,855 homes = 79,420 citizens whose household electrical needs are served using renewable energy produced in Columbus County. As the population of Columbus County is approximately 58,000, the County may be considered as a new exporter of electricity.

Annual Revenues from Personal Property Taxes on Solar Farm Equipment are estimated at .2 x \$238.65 MM x \$8050/MM = \$384,226.50. A significant increase in the real estate taxes for land used for solar farms will also be realized as land is moved from farm or timberland exemption status to full tax value land used for an industrial application.

We have received from Austin Consulting a Shovel-Ready Designation Award Letter for the food and beverage industry at the Southeast Regional Park Site.

**Agenda Item #9: APPOINTMENTS - COUNCIL:**

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested the following appointments/re-appointments/replacements be made to the following council.

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR. DATE	BOARD ACTION
Animal Control Advisory Council	II VI	Leonard Walker Pat Christley	12/05/2015 12/05/2015	Robert Adams HOLD

**Agenda Item #10: APPOINTMENTS - LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS RELIEF FUND for the FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS:**

Shannon Blackman, Fire Marshall, recommended the Board to appoint the positions of 3 and 4 that have been recommended by the Fire Chiefs, one (1) for a two (2) year term and one (1) for a one (1) year term.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the recommended appointees by the fire chiefs, for the terms recommended, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

**NOTE: To be appointed and sent to State by the end of January, 2016 (per: Shannon Blackman).**

DEPARTMENT	PRESENT APPOINTEES (2)	RECOMMENDED APPOINTEES (2)	TERM
Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Fire-Rescue, Inc.	John Russ Gary Keaton	Joe Brown Morris Hobbs	1 Year 2 Years
Bolton Volunteer Fire and Rescue Dept., Inc.	Cleveland Baker Isaac Simmons	Cleveland Baker Isaac Simons	1 Year 2 Years
Brunswick Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Bobby McQueen Grey Spivey	Bobby McQueen Grey Spivey	1 Year 2 Years
Buckhead Volunteer Fire Dept and Rescue Squad, Inc.	Walter Freeman Reah Jacobs	Walter Freeman Reah Jacobs	1 Year 2 Years
Cerro Gordo Volunteer Fire Dept and Rescue Squad	Christopher Kevin Graves Kenneth Bradley High	Christopher Kevin Graves Billy Garrett Floyd	1 Year 2 Years
Evergreen Volunteer Fire Department	Jeramy Greathouse Leann Rogers	Leann Rogers Lori Hayes	1 Year 2 Years
Fair Bluff Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.	Spruell R. Britt Monroe Enzor, Jr.	Spruell R. Britt Monroe Enzor, Jr.	1 Year 2 years

DEPARTMENT	PRESENT APPOINTEES (2)	RECOMMENDED APPOINTEES (2)	TERM
Hallsboro Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Joe Tyler Alton Hollman	Lundy Clifton Billy Six	1 Year 2 Years
Klondyke-Chadbourn Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.	Leroy Honeycutt Tommy Hooks	Leroy Honeycutt Tommy Hooks	1 Year 2 Years
Nakina Fire & Rescue Squad, Inc.	Brady Watts Kelton Batten	Brady Watts Kelton Batten	1 Year 2 Years
North Whiteville, V.F.D.	Stephen D. Bailey Wade Stanaland	Stephen D. Bailey Wade Stanaland	1 Year 2 Years
Old Dock/Cypress Creek V.F.D. and Auxiliary	Ray Ward Terry Register	Ray Ward Terry Register	1 Year 2 Years
Roseland Volunteer Fire Department	Jackie McPherson Delane McPherson	Jackie McPherson Delane McPherson	1 Year 2 Years
St. James Vol. Fire Department, Inc.	Carthel Moore Dorthy Anguliar	Carthel Moore Dorthy Anguliar	1 Year 2 Years
White Marsh-Welches Creek Community VFD	William C. Rushing Cecil Eason	William C. Rushing Cecil Eason	1 Year 2 Years
Williams Township Community Fire Department	Doug Gaskin Davie Norris	Doug Gaskin Mark Prince	1 Year 2 Years

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

At 7:21 P.M., Commissioner McKenzie 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 Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #11: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

December 07, 2015 **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 2 for Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V for each water district respectively.

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

At 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V, and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #12: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

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

**A. Budget Amendments:**

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
<b>Expenditures</b>	10-5114-512100	NCCI Grant Salaries	10,316
	10-5114-512700	NCCI Longevity	103
	10-4113-518100	NCCI FICA	851

	10-5114-518200	NCCI Retirement	704
	10-5114-518300	NCCI Insurance Contribution	1951
	10-5114-519000	NCCI Professional Services	12,636
	10-5114-526001	NCCI Dept. Supplies	4713
	10-5114-531100	NCCI Travel	3,686
<b>Revenues</b>	10-3510-430164	NCCI Grant	34,950
<b>Expenditures</b>	10-4310-535300	M&R Vehicles	1,217
<b>Revenues</b>	10-3431-489000	Miscellaneous Revenue-Sheriff	1,217

## B. Tax Refunds and Releases:

### Tax Refunds and Releases

<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Amount:	\$24.25
Carter, Patricia Ann	Value: \$1,000.00	Year: 10-15	Total:	\$782.09
		Account: 12-02822	Bill#:	99999
Release value of 1973 M/H. Traded in 40 years ago. Release Evergreen Fire(26.60) release Columbus Rescue(.60) release Water II (2.10) release late list(2.66)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 99999	Amount:	\$2,844.89
Cox, Jonathan Kyle	Value: \$352,800.00	Year: 2015	Total:	\$3,268.97
		Account: 06-00738	Bill#:	99999
Release value of prop# 11682, 11683,11996,96713,96714,96715,96716,96717. billed at Reg Value but shb billed at Use Value. Release Yam City(353.40) release Columbus Rescue(70.68)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Amount:	\$28.67
Dixon, James Freddie	Value: \$4,000.00	Year: 2015	Total:	\$36.85
		Account: 15-04606	Bill#:	28763
Release value of boat. Not working condition. Release Acme Delco(3.80) release Columbus Rescue(.60) release late list(3.78)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 11074	Amount:	\$6.52
Harrelson, Lillie S. (Heirs)	Value: \$25,400.00	Year: 09-11	Total:	\$309.80
		Account: 06-17700	Bill#:	99999
Release remaining balance of value on dwelling after tax sale. Release Columbus Rescue(.16)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Amount:	\$49.27
Haynes, Aimee Hinson	Value: \$6,120.00	Year: 2015	Total:	\$60.25
		Account: 01-07557	Bill#:	37312
Release value of boat. No longer listed with wildlife for 2015. Release Brunswick Fire(4.28) release Whiteville Rescue(1.22) release late list(5.48)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 94255	Amount:	\$519.23
Small, Rabon	Value: \$69,900.00	Year: 2015	Total:	\$814.63
		Account: 16-00959	Bill#:	56758
Release value of D/W not included in land. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(64.50) release Columbus Rescue(12.90)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 96895	Amount:	\$0.00
Smith, David M. (Heirs)	Value: \$9,600.00	Year: 2015	Total:	\$7.68
		Account: 01-07665	Bill#:	56998
Release NW District not in that district. Release North Whiteville(7.68)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 94255	Amount:	\$519.23
Vanderbilt Mortgage & Finance Inc.	Value: \$69,900.00	Year: 2014	Total:	\$837.20
		Account: 16-04902	Bill#:	1089
Release entire value. No mobile home located there. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(64.50) release Columbus Rescue(12.90) release Water District II(22.57)				
<i>Property Value</i>		<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Amount:	\$56.75
Ward, Shawn Lynn	Value: \$1,000.00	Year: 09-15	Total:	\$1,588.62
		Account: 11-01433	Bill#:	99999
Release value of dwelling. Burned in 2008. Release Hallsboro Fire(4.20) release Columbus Rescue(1.40) release late list(6.27)				
<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00



Heavener, Vickie	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 88311	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 15-01948	Bill#:	37471
Refund user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>Refunds</i>		Amount:	\$97.89
Quattlebaum, Kimberly	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 87609	Total:	\$339.06
Value: \$12,160.00 Year: 2014	Account: 14-00044	Bill#:	91552
Refund value of S/W. S/W vandalized. No value. Refund Welches Creek(9.73) refund Whiteville Rescue(2.43)			
<i>Refunds</i>		Amount:	\$234.48
Quattlebaum, Kimberly	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 87609	Total:	\$708.19
Value: \$13,020.00 Year: 10/13	Account: 14-03753	Bill#:	99999
Refund value of lot and S/W. Abandoned & Vandalized in 2009. SHB deleted from books 2010. Refund Welches Creek( 23.15) refund Whiteville Rescue(5.78) refund late list(11.78)			
<i>Refunds</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Smith, Margaret S.	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Total:	\$1,572.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 13-14	Account: 01-84480	Bill#:	99999
Refund user fees. No water or sewer per Colburn Brown City of Whiteville, 420 Best Alley, 214 A&B,217 219 West Virgil Street and 510 Moore Street.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Bell, Jean S.	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 16907	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 09-01095	Bill#:	20383
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant. Can picked up			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Cartrette, Darryl & Sherry	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 06-04519	Bill#:	25236
Release user fee. House Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Cartrette, Ferrill P. & Ethel	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 15455	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 09-03200	Bill#:	25262
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Elkins, Wanda Brown	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 26299	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 14-04900	Bill#:	30008
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Hayes, Wesley	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 21247	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 12-11260	Bill#:	37303
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Mills, Michael H.	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 14708	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 08-12580	Bill#:	47644
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Palabra Viva Hispanic Church, Inc.	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Total:	\$262.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 14-15	Account: 18-05558	Bill#:	99999
Release user fee. No Can.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Rackley, Renee	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$1,000.00 Year: 2015	Account: 11-00641	Bill#:	52811
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Sarvis, Danny Richard & coleman Paul	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 16712	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 09-03625	Bill#:	54788
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Smith, Margaret S	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Total:	\$786.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 01-84480	Bill#:	99999
Release user fees.Prop#4831,4832,4836,4825,4828 Vacant per Town of Whiteville			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00

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Spivey, Garrett Jason	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 00000	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 12-03703	Bill#: 58547	
Release user fee. M/H Vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Ward, Bonnie Tedder(Heirs)	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 20375	Total:	\$62.22
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 11-28720	Bill#: 63187	
Release portion of user fee. Billed in error.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Ward, Patty C.	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 95085	Total:	\$218.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 16-04433	Bill#: 63686	
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			
<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Williams, Marian Wells	<b>PROPERTY:</b> 18423	Total:	\$131.00
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2015	Account: 10-18560	Bill#: 65517	
Release user fee. Dwelling vacant.			

## Agenda Item #13: COMMENTS:

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

### B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Vice Chairman McDowell:** stated the following:
  - A. I would like to check the status of the water line in Southwood and the other two (2) areas; **and**  
**Danny Fowler, Public Utilities Director,** replied stating that Southwood and Dogwood Stand have enough signups to bid out. Silverspoon Road and Crepe Myrtle do not have enough signups.
  - B. I would like to discuss renting land at Palmyra Baptist Church for parking for the Old Dock Recreation Center. I have discussed this with the church and the price they have given me is unreasonable. I would like to have permission to discuss this matter with them again.
2. **Commissioner Bullard:** I have had several people in the western end of the County to ask about getting access to internet. This is hindering the school students from being able to do their homework. I am requesting that Mike Stephens, Columbus County Attorney, find the providers in the state and send letters to them about getting internet in the western part of the county, and other parts of the county that do not have access to internet.
3. **Commissioner McKenzie:** stated the following:
  - A. We need to find a way to help the citizens who are living in sections where the roads are in deplorable condition;
  - B. We need to increase the interest in using County water in our citizens which would benefit and grow the water districts; **and**
  - C. On January 14, 2016, at 11:00 A.M., the veterans has an event that all of the County Commissioners that can need to attend.
4. **Commissioner Burroughs:** I would like to take hats off to Nancy Hunt with Acme-Delco School for the recognition of her art.
5. **Commissioner Prevatte:** stated the following:
  - A. I am glad to see that everyone is well; **and**
  - B. It is time that we did a reduction in the rate for water hookups.
6. **Chairman Byrd:** stated the following:
  - A. There are some people in the St. James area that have expressed an interest in the County water and we need to set up a meeting to provide information to them; **and**
  - B. Mr. Stephens, please find the providers for cable in the county.

### C. **County Manager (William S. Clark):** this is a reminder of the meetings for tour of the schools as follows:

Hallsboro Middle School  
 Williams Township Elementary School  
 Chadbourn Elementary School

Tuesday, January 12, 2016 - 8:30 A.M.  
 Wednesday, January 13, 2016 - 8:30 A.M.  
 Thursday January 14, 2016 - 8:30 A.M.

After discussion was conducted relative to many Board members not being able to attend the tour on Thursday, January 14, 2016, it was requested that Mr. Clark try to re-schedule the tour.

- D. **County Attorney (Michael H. Stephens):** I need a Closed Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a) (3) Attorney-Client Privilege.

**RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a) (3) ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE:**

At 7:53 P.M., Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a) (3) Attorney-Client Privilege, seconded by Commissioner Burroughs. The motion unanimously passed.

**CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a) (3) ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE:**

No official action was taken.

**ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION and resume REGULAR SESSION:**

At 8:19 P.M., Vice Chairman McDowell made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**READING and APPROVAL of the CLOSED SESSION GENERAL ACCOUNT:**

Chairman Byrd requested that Michael H. Stephens, Columbus County Attorney, orally read the Closed Session General Account. Mr. Stephens orally read the following: "The County Attorney discussed with the Board of Commissioners the Notice of Penalty Case involving the Department of Agriculture and the Animal Control Section of Columbus County". Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to approve the Closed Session General Account, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #14: ADJOURNMENT:**

At 8:21 P.M., Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Prevatte. The motion unanimously passed.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**

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

**Monday, January 04, 2016**

**7:21 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:**

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

**APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:21 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

**Agenda Item #11: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

December 07, 2015 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the December 07, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V  
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING  
Monday, January 04, 2016  
7:21 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:**

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

**APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:21 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

**Agenda Item #11: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

December 07, 2015 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the December 07, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V  
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING  
Monday, January 04, 2016  
7:21 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:**

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

**APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:21 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

**Agenda Item #11: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

December 07, 2015 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the December 07, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**

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

**Monday, January 04, 2016**

**7:21 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:**

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

**APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:21 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

**Agenda Item #11: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

December 07, 2015 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the December 07, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V**  
**COMBINATION BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, January 04, 2016**  
**7:21 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:**

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

**APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:21 pm, Chairman Giles E. Byrd called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

**Agenda Item #11: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

December 07, 2015 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 sets)

Commissioner Russ made a motion to approve the December 07, 2015 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:22 P.M., Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**GILES E. BYRD, Chairman**