

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**Monday, February 01, 2021****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 a Regular Session, it being the first Monday.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman / Interim County Manager**
 Jerome McMillian, **Vice Chairman**
 Chris Smith
 Giles E. Byrd
 Lavern Coleman
 Brent Watts
 Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amanda B. Prince, **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 Ricky Bullard called the February 01, 2021 Columbus County board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Charles T. McDowell. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Commissioner Lavern Coleman.

CHANGE to AGENDA:

Chairman Bullard stated there is a change to the Agenda and that change would be to delete Agenda Item #14.

Agenda Item #4: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian made a motion to approve the following listed minutes by the stated date, as recorded, seconded by Commissioner Lavern Coleman:

- A. 01-04-2021 Special Called Meeting (**Adjourned**);
- B. 01-11-2021 Special Called Meeting (**Recessed**);
- C. 01-12-2021 Special Called Meeting (**Recessed**);
- D. 01-19-2021 Special Called Meeting (**Adjourned**); and
- E. 01-19-2021 Regular Session Board Meeting.

The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #5: PUBLIC INPUT (BY TELEPHONE, E-MAIL OR LETTER):

Chairman Bullard opened the floor for Public Input. No input was received either orally or written.

Agenda Item #6: HEALTH DEPARTMENT - UPDATE on the COVID-19 VACCINES:

Kimberly Smith, Health Director, presented the following update on the vaccines for COVID-19 virus.

STATEWIDE NUMBERS:

761,302 Confirmed cases
 9,342 Deaths

COLUMBUS COUNTY TODAY:

5,628 Cases
 117 Deaths
 25 Hospital
 4,330 Recovered
 1,156 Active Cases

755

3,500 Quarantine
47,264 Columbus County
45 Cases before left office today

VACCINES:

State 1,900 vaccines
State received 2,800
Hospital
Received McDermaal (2 dose regiment)

1,642 Doses given
258 Appointments for Second doses
200 First dose

All documents are due Tuesday by 5:00 P.M. Monday
For the next 3 weeks, we will receive 200 doses only.
We have given every does we have received.

Our priority groups are the healthcare workers and 75 year old, plus.

We have no issues with the first dose, but we have had problems with the second dose.

This is a Federal vaccine, and you can get the vaccine anywhere.

We will receive 400 each week for the next 3 weeks.

Agenda Item #7: COOPERATIVE EXTENSION - REQUEST for FUNDING for GIANT SALVINIA INVASIVE WEED:

Dalton Dockery, Extension Director, explained the request for funding regarding the eradication of the Giant Salvinia Invasive Weed. **(This was tabled at the January 19, 2021 Meeting.)**

Mr. Dockery stated the following:

1. I will show you three (3) ponds visually to demonstrate how invasive the Giant Salvinia Weed is that spreads at a very fast rate, and these will be the ponds that we are aware of as follows: Richardson Pond, Buffkin Pond and a no named pond;
2. This weed is approximately six (6) inches thick and blocks off the sunshine;
3. If this weed gets into Waccamaw River, this could lead to disaster and needs to be treated as soon as possible;
4. The State has agreed to treat this weed with a County match for funds at the price of \$64,000.00 annually for the County;
5. The infested ponds, at this time, cover approximately 300 acres; **and**
6. My request is for the County to fund the treatment.

Commissioner Coleman made a motion for Columbus County to fund the treatment of the Giant Salvinia Invasive Weed, at the cost of \$64,000.00, annually, for the next two (2) years, seconded by Commissioner Watts. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #8: AGING - FUNDS ASSOCIATED with FAIR BLUFF SENIOR CENTER RELOCATION:

Kristie Massey, Director of Aging, requested Board approval of \$8,000.00 to set up the relocated Fair Bluff Senior Center.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve eight thousand and 00/100 (\$8,000.00) dollars to set up the relocated Fair Bluff Senior Center, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #9: AGING - CARES ACT FUNDING (TITLE IIIB and TITLE IIIC) BUDGET AMENDMENT:

Kristie Massey, Director of Aging, requested Board approval of \$159,092.00, with no county match, CARES Act Funding, and Budget Amendment.

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the CARES Act Funding (Title IIIB and Title IIIC), with no County match, in the amount of one hundred fifty-nine thousand, ninety-two and 00/100 (\$159,092.00) dollars, and budget amendment for said amount, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #10: AGING - CARES ACT FUNDING (FCSP), and BUDGET AMENDMENT:

Kristie Massey, Director of Aging, requested Board approval of \$33,285.00, with no County match, for CARES Act Funding (FCSP), and Budget Amendment.

Commissioner Watts made a motion to approve the CARES Act Funding (FCSP), with no County match, in the amount of thirty-three thousand, two hundred eighty-five and 00/100 (\$33,285.00) dollars, and budget amendment for said amount, seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #11: AIRPORT - AIRPORT GRANT AGREEMENT 36237.53.16.1:

Phil Edwards, Airport Director, requested Board approval of the grant agreement for Project Number: 36237.53.16.1, Perimeter Fence - Phase I Construction, 100% grant funded, for \$105,960.

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the grant agreement for Project Number: 36237.53.16.1, Perimeter Fence - Phase I Construction, 100% grant funded, for one hundred five thousand, nine hundred sixty, and 00/100 (\$105,960.00) dollars, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this Agreement will be kept on file in the Administration Office and the Airport, for review.

Agenda Item #12: AIRPORT - AIRPORT GRANT AGREEMENT 36237.53.16.2:

Phil Edwards, Airport Director, requested Board approval of the grant agreement for Project Number: 36237.53.16.2, Airfield Drainage Improvements, 100% grant funded, for \$45,015.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the grant agreement for Project Number: 36237.53.16.2, Airfield Drainage Improvements, 100% grant funded, for forty-five thousand, fifteen, and 00/100 (\$45,015.00) dollars, seconded by Commissioner McDowell. The motion unanimously passed. A copy of this Agreement will be kept on file in the Administration Office and the Airport, for review.

Agenda Item #13: PROCLAMATION of RECOGNITION and MEMORIAL of EDDIE MORGAN:

Commissioner Giles Byrd requested Board approval and adoption of the following Proclamation of Recognition and Memorial of Eddie Morgan.

**PROCLAMATION of RECOGNITION and MEMORIAL
of
EDDIE MORGAN**

WHEREAS, as we travel through life, we witness individuals who have hearts of gold and place needs of others before their own needs; **and**

WHEREAS, in the Lake Waccamaw area of Columbus County, a golden individual abided with unselfish traits, namely **EDDIE MORGAN**; **and**

WHEREAS, the named person exhibited the following traits as a genuine individual:

- ❁ Member of the Lake Waccamaw Fire and Rescue Unit for thirty, plus (30+) years;
- ❁ Chief of Lake Waccamaw Fire and Rescue Unit for fifteen (15) years;;
- ❁ Many years of employment at International Paper Company, and served as the Chief of the Emergency Response Team;
- ❁ Always a pleasant and sweet smile for people; **and**
- ❁ Genuine heart for family and friends.

WHEREAS, people who possess this nature need to be appreciated, cherished and make

impressions on people they always hold in their heart.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners would like to recognize **EDDIE MORGAN** as a golden asset and will always remember him and his good deeds to everyone.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 1st day of February, 2021.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ **RICKY BULLARD** , Chairman
 /s/ **CHRIS SMITH**
 /s/ **LAVERN COLEMAN**
 /s/ **CHARLES T. McDOWELL**

/s/ **JEROME McMILLIAN**, Vice Chairman
 /s/ **GILES E. BYRD**
 /s/ **BRENT WATTS**

ATTESTED BY:

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

/s/ **AMANDA B. PRINCE**, County Attorney

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve and adopt the Proclamation of Recognition and Memorial of Eddie Morgan, seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion unanimously passed.

CHANGE to AGENDA:

~~14. Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition to Roseland Fire Department: Chairman Ricky Bullard is requesting Board approval and adoption. Pages: 77-78 (Chairman Bullard will be present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners may have.)~~

Agenda Item #15: ADMINISTRATION - 2019 SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION PROGRAM LOAN POOL (SFRLP) - AWARD of BIDS:

Gail Edwards, Assistant to Manager, requested Board approval of contracts for the following units:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CONTRACT PRICE</u>	<u>BIDDER</u>
19-01	\$27,125	Faith Home Improvements;
19-04	\$9,425	Lumber River Quality Builders;
19-10	\$39,500	Lumber River Quality Builders;
19-20	\$37,250	Faith Home Improvements.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY ESFRLP
 Rehabilitation Bid Tabulation Group #1
 Bid Date: December 15, 2020 - 11:00 A.M.**

Contractor	Unit 19-01	Unit 19-04	Unit 19-10	Unit 19-20
Holland Construction Company	\$30,700	\$15,400	\$45,340	\$46,330
Faith Home Improvement & Constr	\$27,125	\$15,275	\$42,000	\$37,250
Lumber River Quality Builders	\$31,550	\$9,425	\$40,910	* \$38,092
Robert Strickland Const.	\$29,287	\$9,514	\$45,895	\$40,855

NOTES: *Error in addition.

I certify that these bids were received by the County of Columbus at 11:00 am on December 15, 2020. The bids have been checked and verified to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ **M. FLOYD ADAMS, P.E.** **1/08/2021**

Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the contracts for the above listed low bidders for the 2019 Single Family Rehabilitation Program Loan (SFRLP), seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #16: GOVERNING BODY - CONTRACT with CAINES CONSTRUCTION COMPANY:

Chairman / Interim Manager Ricky Bullard is requesting Board approval of the contract with Caines Construction Company for a storage building at Emergency Services.

Chairman / Interim County Manager, Ricky Bullard stated this Agenda item would be put on hold until the next meeting.

Agenda Item #17: GOVERNING BODY - DISCUSSION on RELOCATION of BOARD of ELECTIONS:

Chairman / Interim County Manager Bullard held the following discussion on moving Board of Elections back to the old Elections Building.

After discussion was conducted relative to the savings per year, Commissioner Coleman made a motion to approve the relocation of the Board of Elections back to the original building, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #18: GOVERNING BODY - DISCUSSION of the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICES:

Chairman Ricky Bullard / Interim County Manager, will hold a discussion regarding the District Attorney's offices.

Chairman Bullard stated the Agenda item would be put on hold until the new County Manager was on board.

Agenda Item #19: APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEES/BOARDS/COMMISSIONS:

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

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR. DATE
Cape Fear RPO Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (2 year terms) M = McDowell S = Watts	EB Alternate	Giles Byrd -Vacant-	Re-Appoint HOLD
Health (Board of) N.C.G.S. 130A-35 - Requires Dentist	II	Darryl J. Diefes, D.D.S. (Resigned)	HOLD
Juvenile Crime Prevention Council	III VII	-Vacant- Dr. Darrin Moore	HOLD HOLD
Economic Development Commission	II	Mike Pease	6-30-2021
Columbus County Board of Adjustment	V	Warren Miller	234-1844

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

At 7:34 P.M., Commissioner McDowell made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter a **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

January 19, 2021 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 each Water District, respectively.

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

At 7:35 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 Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #21: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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

A. Budget Amendments:

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
Expenditures	10-9935-550000	Capital Outlay	16,540
	10-9935-550010	Non-Capital Outlay	11,644
	10-9935-524010	Repairs	103,627
	10-9935-526001	Departmental Supplies	27,281
Revenues	10-3580-420026	CARES ACT Title IIIB and IIIC	159,092
Expenditures	10-9975-519001	Contracted Supplies	10,000
	10-9975-526001	Departmental Supplies	23,285
Revenues	10-3580-420025	CARES ACT Family Caregivers	33,285
Expenditures	10-5301-533001	CP&L Energy (Energy Neighbor)	1,137
	10-5301-549986	Crisis Intervention	(10,358)
Revenues	10-3530-430076	CP&L Energy (Energy Neighbor)	1,137
	10-3530-430068	Crisis Intervention	(10,358)
Expenditures	10-4310-535300	M&R Vehicles	5,415
	10-4310-535300	M&R Vehicles	10,329
	10-4310-550000	Capital Outlay	46,478
Revenues	10-3431-489000	Miscellaneous;	62,222
Expenditures	60-7111-559000	C/O Other Improvements	6,282
	61-7112-559000	C/O Other Improvements	16,425
	62-7113-559000	C/O Other Improvements	48,376
	63-7114-559000	C/O Other Improvements	11,355
	64-7115-559000	C/O Other Improvements	11,313
	60-7111-999910	Contingency	(6,282)
	61-7112-999910	Contingency	(16,425)
	62-7113-999910	Contingency	(47,353)
	63-7114-999910	Contingency	(11,355)
	64-7115-999910	Contingency	(11,313)
	62-7113-526001	Departmental Supplies	(1,023)
Expenditures	17-4213-512100	COVID-19 Salaries	30,500
	17-4213-512700	COVID-19 Longevity	107
	17-4213-518100	COVID-19 FICA	5,000

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
	17-4213-518301	COVID-19 Insurance	2,000
	17-4213-518200	COVID-19 Retirement	2,000
	17-4213-526001	COVID-19 Departmental Suppliesa	36,393
Revenues	17-3581-430172	COVID-19 Grant	76,000
Expenditures	17-4213-512100	COVID-19 Salaries	73,000
	17-4213-521700	COVID-19 Longevity	1,000
	17-4213-518100	COVID-19 FICA	23,000
	17-4213-518301	COVID-19 Insurance	15,000
	17-4213-518200	COVID-19 Retirement	15,652
	17-4213-526001	COVID-19 Departmental Supplies	28,742
Revenues	17-3581-430172	COVID-19 Grant	156,394

B. Tax Refunds and Releases:

Tax Refunds and Releases

<i>Proeprty Value</i>		Amount:	\$5,115.78
Dreamland Amusements	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$6,005.48
Value: \$635,500.00	Year: 2020	Account: 15-00752	Bill#: 67878
Release value. Value billed incorrectly. Release Acme Delco(762.60) release Columbus Rescue(127.10)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$97.41
Benton, Ricky James II	PROPERTY: 96393	Total:	\$311.93
Value: \$12,100.00	Year: 2020	Account: 16-00458	Bill#: 58976
Release value. Condemned prior to Jan 1. Release Cole Fire(12.10) release Columbus Rescue(2.42)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$49.51
Brown, Howard M.	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$60.72
Value: \$810.00	Year: 14-20	Account: 12-03468	Bill#: 99999
Release value of boat. Sold Release Evergreen Fire(4.93) release Columbus Rescue(1.22) release Water II(.32) release late list(4.74)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$94.68
Buffkin, Evan Scott	PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$108.80
Value: \$11,762.00	Year: 2020	Account: 16-04311	Bill#: 61725
Release value of boat. Sold. Release Cole Service(11.76) release Columbus Rescue(2.35)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$289.00
Cartrette, Illa Mae	PROPERTY: 99804	Total:	\$324.90
Value: \$35,900.00	Year: 2020	Account: 09-04266	Bill#: 63660
Release portion of value. SHB in exemption program. Release Roseland Fire(28.72) release Columbus Rescue(7.18)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$16.91
Chestnutt, Brian Daniel & Carlton Hunter	PROPERTY: 12703	Total:	\$19.01
Value: \$2,100.00	Year: 2020	Account: 07-05654	Bill#: 64194
Release value. Dblisted with Prop#77362. Release Nakina Fire(1.68) release Columbus Rescue(.42)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$313.18
Gibson, Ernestine	PROPERTY: 22973	Total:	\$1,433.48
Value: \$1,700.00	Year: 12-20	Account: 12-09253	Bill#: 99999
Release value. Sold at tax sale. Release Evergreen Fire(32.24) release Columbus Rescue(8.06)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$46.69
Greene, Stacey	PROPERTY: 3007	Total:	\$51.91
Value: \$53,100.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-01816	Bill#: 74888
Release portion of value. Land breakdown incorrect. Release Klondyke Fire(4.06) release Whiteville, Rescue(1.16)			
<i>Property Value</i>		Amount:	\$434.70
Greene, Stacey L.	PROPERTY: 3006	Total:	\$445.50

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Value: \$79,600.00 Year: 2020 Account: 01-01816 Bill#: 74889
 Release portion of value. Prop#3006. Release Whiteville Rescue(10.80)

Property Value Amount: \$542.33
 Hemingway, Ben (Jr) Heirs **PROPERTY:** 11098 Total: \$556.73

Value: \$8,000.00 Year: 11-20 Account: 06-18220 Bill#: 99999
 Release value. Sold at tax sale. Release Town of Tabor City(107.20) release Columbus
 Rescue(14.40)

Property Value Amount: \$212.07
 Hooper, Hezikiah **PROPERTY:** 2566 Total: \$235.74

Value: \$3,100.00 Year: 12-20 Account: 01-43321 Bill#: 99999
 Release entire value. Dblisted with Prop#909. Release Brunswick Fire(18.41) release
 Whiteville Rescue(5.26)

Property Value Amount: \$25.69
 Long, Glenda Gray **PROPERTY:** 21627 Total: \$25.69

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2020 Account: 12-16510 Bill#: 84004
 Release discount amout. Postmark error.

Property Value Amount: \$125.90
 Nancy, Ruby Inman **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$772.32

Value: \$6,020.00 Year: 18-20 Account: 16-01254 Bill#: 99999
 Release value of mobile home. Dbl Act#16-00423. Release Cole Service(15.64) release
 Columbus Rescue(3.12) release late list(27.66)

Property Value Amount: \$553.91
 Powell, Eunice (Heirs) **PROPERTY:** 77496 Total: \$649.95

Value: \$8,400.00 Year: 11-19 Account: 15-30532 Bill#: 99999
 Release value. Dblisted Prop#93987. Release Acme Delco(82.32) release Columbus
 Rescue(13.72)

Property Value Amount: \$19.48
 Rasperry Mark Anthony & Teresa **PROPERTY:** 80116 Total: \$21.65

Value: \$29,731.00 Year: 2020 Account: 01-74839 Bill#: 93472
 Release value of boat. Sold 2019. Release Brunswick Fire(1.69) release Whiteville
 Rescue(.48)

Property Value Amount: \$114.07
 Smith, Shane Edwin **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$141.06

Value: \$14,170.00 Year: 2020 Account: 07-00832 Bill#: 98548
 Release value of boat. Junked. Release Nakina Fire(11.34) release Columbus
 Rescue(2.83) release late list(12.82)

Property Value Amount: \$298.64
 Smith, William W **PROPERTY:** 4995 Total: \$331.94

Value: \$3,700.00 Year: 11-20 Account: 01-86883 Bill#: 99999
 Release all taxes. Prop#4995 Deleted DBL with Prop#2831. Release Brunswick
 Fire(25.90) release Whiteville Rescue(7.40)

Property Value Amount: \$174.52
 Stanley, Joyce Marie **PROPERTY:** 16926 Total: \$191.87

Value: \$21,680.00 Year: 2020 Account: 09-28980 Bill#: 1
 Release portion of taxes. SHB in exemption program. Release Williams Fire(13.01)
 release Columbus Rescue(4.34)

Property Value Amount: \$0.00
 Tri County Builders & Realty **PROPERTY:** 5593 Total: \$0.00

Value: \$4,900.00 Year: 11-20 Account: 01-96600 Bill#: 99999
 Release value. No deed found. Release City of Whiteville (249.89)

Property Value Amount: \$395.48
 Tri County Builders & Realty **PROPERTY:** 5593 Total: \$405.28

Value: \$4,900.00 Year: 11-20 Account: 01-96600 Bill#: 99999
 Release value. No deed found. Release Whiteville Rescue(9.80)

Property Value Amount: \$756.87
 Williamson Faye Martin **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$869.70

Value: \$31,340.00 Year: 18-20 Account: 12-30984 Bill#: 99999
 Release value. Billed in error. Release Cerro Gordo Fire(94.02) release Columbus
 Rescue(18.81)

Refunds Amount: \$1,233.61
 AGCO Finance LLC **PROPERTY:** 00000 Total: \$1,233.61

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2020 Account: 04-03665 Bill#: 56267
 Refund entire payment. Paid in error. This leased tractor listed and paid under

personal property Act#04-07182.

<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$385.60
Branson, Brenda S.	PROPERTY: 5846		Total:	\$649.05
Value: \$47,900.00	Year: 2020	Account: 02-00458	Bill#:	99999
Refund portion of value. SHB in exemption program. Refund Whiteville Rescue(9.58)				
refund City of Whiteville(253.87)				

<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Clemmons, Robert Lee	PROPERTY: 77918		Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2018	Account: 03-03075	Bill#:	99190
Refund user fee. Dbilled.				

<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Foley, Harold	PROPERTY: 30087		Total:	\$400.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-19	Account: 10-00117	Bill#:	99999
Refund user fees. Farmland				

<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$613.45
McDuffie, Priscilla	PROPERTY: 25312		Total:	\$1,101.15
Value: \$15,241.00	Year: 2020	Account: 13-04168	Bill#:	99999
Refund portion of value years 2015-2020. Incorrect measurement of home. Release				
Columbus Rescue(15.25) release City of Chadbourn(472.45)				

<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
McPherson, Hunter	PROPERTY: 16360		Total:	\$400.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-19	Account: 09-02451	Bill#:	99999
Refund user fees. Dbilled in system				

<i>Refunds</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Sauls, Lawrence J & Louise	PROPERTY: 00000		Total:	\$800.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-03712	Bill#:	99999
Refund user fees Property#84531 and Prop#29719				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Benton, Barbara D	PROPERTY: 75265		Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 07-00460	Bill#:	58858
Release user fee.				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Clarida Ethel (Heirs)	PROPERTY: 86275		Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 07-04652	Bill#:	64318
Release user fee. Unliveable.				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Cobbs, Lee Jr. & Willie Mae	PROPERTY: 9660		Total:	\$400.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 19-20	Account: 05-01430	Bill#:	99999
Release user fees. Unliveable.				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Creech, Thomas & Carleen	PROPERTY: 00000		Total:	\$600.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-20	Account: 11-07300	Bill#:	99999
Release user fees. Singlewide Unliveable.				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Davis, Lloyd & Vernell	PROPERTY: 79865		Total:	\$2,000.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 19-20	Account: 12-06233	Bill#:	99999
Release user fees.				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Evans, Alene G.	PROPERTY: 23953		Total:	\$113.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 13-00629	Bill#:	69398
Release user fee. Vacant				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Foley, Harold	PROPERTY: 30087		Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 10-00117	Bill#:	70637
Release user fee. Farmland				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Grady, Marcella S	PROPERTY: 85881		Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 09-03717	Bill#:	73956
Release user fee. Uses a commercial hauler.				

<i>User Fee</i>			Amount:	\$0.00
Hammond, James J & billie Jo	PROPERTY: 00000		Total:	\$600.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-20	Account: 13-17641	Bill#:	99999

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Release user fee No mobile home.

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Housand, Clara Juanice			PROPERTY: 80931	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 06-08926		Bill#:	78672
Release user fee. Vacant					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Inman Lowell Grayson & Georgiana			PROPERTY: 2694	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-08296		Bill#:	79250
Release user fee. House has burned.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Long James Martin & Vera Mae			PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$600.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-20	Account: 01-54040		Bill#:	99999
Release user fee Insolvent.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Long, Thomas Leroy			PROPERTY: 97866	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 03-14880		Bill#:	84271
Release user fee. Unliveable					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Martin, Veona V			PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$600.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-20	Account: 13-26920		Bill#:	99999
Release user fees. Insolvent.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
McPherson, Hunter			PROPERTY: 16360	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 09-02451		Bill#:	86879
Release user fee. Dbilled.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Page, Paul Franklin			PROPERTY: 75536	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 13-31723		Bill#:	90712
Release user fee. Uses a commercial hauler.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Page, Paul Franklin			PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 13-31733		Bill#:	90715
Release user fee. Uses a commercial hauler.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Pierce, Hampton Scott			PROPERTY: 27232	Total:	\$400.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 19-20	Account: 14-11965		Bill#:	99999
Release user fee.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Reynolds, Graham			PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$600.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 18-20	Account: 06-01014		Bill#:	99999
Release user fee.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Rouse, Ernest Lee & Jennie Johnson			PROPERTY: 6171	Total:	\$11.11
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-06583		Bill#:	95189
Release portion. Postmarked.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Sauls, Lawrence J & Louise			PROPERTY: 84531	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-03712		Bill#:	95793
Release user fee.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Sauls, Lawrence J & Louise			PROPERTY: 29719	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 15-03049		Bill#:	95791
Release user fee.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Vontrina Investments LLC			PROPERTY: 3705	Total:	\$113.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-00102		Bill#:	3828
Release user fee.					

<i>User Fee</i>				Amount:	\$0.00
Ward, Wilbur Ray			PROPERTY: 00000	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 03-28123		Bill#:	5292
Release user fee. MH sold					

<i>.User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Williamson, James E(DEC) & Mary	PROPERTY: 12486	Total:	\$576.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 16-20	Account: 06-43680	Bill#: 99999
Release user fees. Vacant			

<i>User Fee</i>		Amount:	\$0.00
Woodbury, Lana G	PROPERTY: 2170	Total:	\$200.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2020	Account: 01-00895	Bill#: 7893
Release user fee. Dblisted.			

Agenda Item #22: COMMENTS:

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

B. Board of Commissioners:

1. **Commissioner Coleman:** stated the following:
-I would like to place a motion on the floor to open up the Tax Office and cancel Flex Time until after the pandemic.

MOTION:

Commissioner Coleman made a motion to open up the Tax Office in the following manner - open the station windows, use social distancing, and answer the telephones, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian.

MOTION:

After in-depth discussion was conducted relative to all County departments, Commissioner Cole made a motion to open up the Tax Office in the following manner - open the station windows, use social distancing, and answer the telephones, all County departments to cease using Flex Time until a later time, seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion unanimously passed.

2. **Commissioner McDowell:** stated the following:
-My appointee on the Beaver Committee contacted me regarding the increase in the bounty was very beneficial to all involved; **and**
-I have received multiple telephone calls relative to revaluation.
3. **Commissioner Smith:** stated the following:
-I would like to know if the e-mails that the Commissioners are being sent with dates listed for events, could go straight to our calendars.
4. **Commissioner Watts:** stated he was receiving many telephone calls from funeral homes relative to the inability to enter Register of Deeds Department when they need to.
5. **Commissioner Byrd:** stated the following:
-The guidelines that have been established for the gift of land to family members have caused hardships for elderly landowners;
-Due to excessive rainfall, there is standing water near the ditches in Columbus County, which ultimately deteriorates the surfaced roads, and we need to address what, if any, can be done.
6. **Vice Chairman McMillian:** stated the following:
-We need to open the recycling centers more; **and**
-We need to have a bin for household trash at the established sites.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION and enter into CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (5)(i) PROPERTY ACQUISITION and (6) PERSONNEL:

At 8:04 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Closed Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (5) (i) Property Acquisition and (6) Personnel, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #23: CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a) (5)(i) PROPERTY ACQUISITION and (6) PERSONNEL:

No official action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION and resume REGULAR SESSION:

At 9:11 P.M., Commissioner McDowell made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion unanimously passed.

READING and APPROVAL of CLOSED SESSION GENERAL ACCOUNT:

Chairman Bullard requested that Amanda B. Prince, County Attorney, orally read the Closed Session General Account. Ms. Prince orally read the following: *“The County Commissioners discussed real property acquisition with the Economic Development Director, and the County Commissioners discuss some personnel matters. No official action was taken”*.

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the Closed Session General Account, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

HISTORIC COURTHOUSE:

Commissioner Bullard stated the following:

- This afternoon, I met with Judge Doug Sasser, the architect and Vice Chairman Jerome McMillian;
- After walking through the entire Historic Courthouse, the architect agreed that if the building was gutted, take the old paneling off, pop up all the floors, remove the grids in the ceiling, he could determine what need to be done;
- The architect states it would be best to gut the building;
- The total cost of this work will be approximately \$150,000.00; **and**
- Before we can begin this work, we will have to give a summary to Judge Sasser, and any work orders that needs to be changed, we will also have to ask for his permission because of the mandamus.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING:

Commissioner Watts made a motion to call for a Special Called Meeting on February 15, 2021, at 5:30 P.M., to discuss personnel, seconded Commissioner Smith. The motion unanimously passed.

Agenda Item #24: ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:19 P.M., Commissioner McDowell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, February 01, 2021
7:34 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, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman/Interim County Manager**
Jerome McMillian, **Vice Chairman**
Chris Smith
Giles E. Byrd
Lavern Coleman
Brent Watts
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amanda B. Prince, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:34 P.M., Chairman Ricky Bullard called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 Sets)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer District I Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:35 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, February 01, 2021
7:34 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, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman/Interim County Manager**
Jerome McMillian, **Vice Chairman**
Chris Smith
Giles E. Byrd
Lavern Coleman
Brent Watts
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amanda B. Prince, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:34 P.M., Chairman Ricky Bullard called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 Sets)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer District II Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:35 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, February 01, 2021
7:34 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, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman/Interim County Manager**
Jerome McMillian, **Vice Chairman**
Chris Smith
Giles E. Byrd
Lavern Coleman
Brent Watts
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amanda B. Prince, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:34 P.M., Chairman Ricky Bullard called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 Sets)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer District III Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:35 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, February 01, 2021
7:34 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, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman/Interim County Manager**
Jerome McMillian, **Vice Chairman**
Chris Smith
Giles E. Byrd
Lavern Coleman
Brent Watts
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amanda B. Prince, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:34 P.M., Chairman Ricky Bullard called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 Sets)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer District IV Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:35 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV AND V
COMBINATION BOARD MEETING
Monday, February 01, 2021
7:34 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, 112 West Smith Street, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, for the purpose to act as the Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ricky Bullard, **Chairman/Interim County Manager**
 Jerome McMillian, **Vice Chairman**
 Chris Smith
 Giles E. Byrd
 Lavern Coleman
 Brent Watts
 Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Amanda B. Prince, **County Attorney**
 June B. Hall, **Clerk to the Board**
 Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:34 P.M., Chairman Ricky Bullard called the **combination meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting to order.

Agenda Item #20: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (5 Sets)

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve the January 19, 2021 Columbus County Water and Sewer District V Board Meeting Minutes, as recorded, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:35 P.M., Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman McMillian. The motion unanimously passed.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

RICKY BULLARD, Chairman