

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS****Tuesday, September 08, 2009****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 Public Hearing and for their regular scheduled meeting on the second Tuesday, due to the first Monday being a legal holiday.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

James E. Prevatte **Chairman**  
 Ricky Bullard, **Vice Chairman**  
 Amon E. McKenzie  
 Giles E. Byrd  
 Edwin Russ  
 Lynwood Norris  
 Ronald Gore

**APPOINTEES PRESENT:**

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

**APPOINTEE ABSENT:**

William S. Clark, **County Manager**

**6:30 P.M.**

**PUBLIC HEARING: Application for 2009 Community Development (IDA) Individual Development Accounts Grant Funding:** the purpose of the public hearing is to notify citizens of the proposed application contents.

**PUBLIC HEARING CALLED to ORDER:**

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Public Hearing to order, and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to notify citizens of the proposed application contents. Chairman Prevatte requested that Mike Stephens, Columbus County Attorney, orally read the Policy on Comments at Public Hearings. Attorney Stephens read the policy orally in its entirety.

Chairman Prevatte requested that Carol Caldwell, The Dream Center Director, explain the purpose of this public hearing. Ms. Caldwell stated the following:

1. The Columbus County Dream Center is applying for an Individual Development Account (IDA) Program which is sponsored by the Division of Community Assistance;
2. The purpose of the program is to help first-time homeowners, or people who have not owned a house in three (3) years to help them to make a down payment toward owning a house or closing costs;
3. The program consists of a two (2) to one (1) match. The program participants will put up one thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) dollars; and that one thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) dollars will be matched with one thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) dollars from the Department of Commerce, and then another one thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) dollars will be coming from private sources; **and**
4. The purpose of the IDA Program is to inspire people and help them to save money to become homeowners.

Commissioner McKenzie stated the following:

1. There is a similar program at The Dream Center that is very rewarding;
2. There are a lot of people out there who would like to own a house but they just do not possess the necessary tools to do that;
3. The Dream Center provides those tools for them, or assists them through that process; **and**
4. I would like to thank The Dream Center for taking time out of their busy schedules to help the people through this process.

In addition, Ms. Caldwell stated the following:

1. At The Dream Center, we already have a Homeowners Education Program in place;
2. Through this program, we prepare our participants with the necessary information of what is needed when they proceed with purchasing a house;
3. Earlier, dating back to when Dr. Stephen Scott was president, the IDA program was offered at Southeastern Community College, but last year, they opted not to re-apply for the grant,

- and they approached us about applying for this grant; **and**
4. Their program was set up for home ownership, entrepreneurialship and going back to school, but this particular program will only allow for homeowners.

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:**

At 6:37 P.M., Commissioner Norris made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

6:37 P.M.

**REGULAR SESSION:**

**Agenda Items #1 and #2: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER, INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

At 6:37 P.M., Chairman James E. Prevatte called the September 08, 2009 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Vice Chairman Ricky Bullard. Everyone in attendance stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America which was led by Vice Chairman Ricky Bullard.

**Agenda Item #3: PROCLAMATION - APPROVAL and PRESENTATION of PROCLAMATION of RECOGNITION and APPRECIATION to MILTON MCLEAN:**

Commissioner Edwin Russ requested Board approval for presentation of the following "Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation to Milton McLean".

**PROCLAMATION of  
RECOGNITION and APPRECIATION to  
*MILTON McLEAN***

**WHEREAS**, Columbus County has been experiencing an over population of beavers for many years; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the over population of beavers has resulted in serious flooding in many areas, and the destruction of good farm land due to massive number of dams that they have made; **and**

**WHEREAS**, after receiving State funding to help with the beaver problem, we were fortunate to locate a person, namely, *MILTON McLEAN* who possessed the ability to render the much-needed service to help eradicate the beavers in Columbus County; **and**

**WHEREAS**, over the last ten (10) years, *Mr. McLean* has trapped a large number of beavers, eliminated multiple beaver dams of varying sizes, and this action has resulted in the opening of drainage passages which has eliminated flooding in many areas, and has ultimately saved good farm land; **and**

**WHEREAS**, this said individual has a wide array of experience in this field and has proven to be greatly beneficial to the citizens of Columbus County, as is evident in the following:

- After high school, he served two (2) years in the United States Army with one (1) year of service in Vietnam;
- Became a Wildlife Enforcement Officer in 1970 with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, stationed in Columbus County;
- After retiring as a Wildlife Enforcement Officer, he worked with the USDA - APHIS Beaver Program, and was employed full time on January 7, 2000; **and**
- Delivered the much-needed service to Columbus County in the eradication of beavers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** the Columbus County Board of Commissioners proudly presents this **Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation** to *MILTON McLEAN* for his years of service to Columbus County as a beaver eradicator.

**APPROVED and ADOPTED** this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman****ATTESTED BY:**/s/ **JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board**

Vice Chairman Bullard made a motion to approve the Proclamation of Recognition and Appreciation to Milton McLean, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #4: BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Vice Chairman Bullard made a motion to approve the August 10, 2009 Personnel Policy Manual Workshop Minutes and the August 17, 2009 Regular Session Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #5: PUBLIC INPUT:**

Chairman Prevatte opened the floor for comments. No comments were received either orally or written.

**ADJUSTMENT of AGENDA:**

Chairman Prevatte stated it has been requested Agenda Item #16 to be tabled due to the absence of William S. Clark, County Manager.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to table Agenda Item #16, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #6: CDBG IDA (INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS) PROJECT - APPROVAL to MAKE APPLICATION:**

Carol Caldwell, Director of The DREAM Center, requested Board approval to make application for the seventy thousand and 00/100 (\$70,000.00) dollars grant on behalf of Columbus County. (The required Public Hearing was held on this day prior to the meeting.)

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the application for the CDBG IDA (Individual Development Accounts) Project in the amount of seventy thousand and 00/100 (\$70,000.00) dollars on behalf of Columbus County, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed. This document will be marked as Exhibit "A" and kept in Minute Book Attachments, Book Number 2 for review.

**Agenda Item #7: AGING - SENIOR CENTER MONTH PROCLAMATION:**

Ed Worley, Aging Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Senior Center Month Proclamation.

**SENIOR CENTER MONTH  
PROCLAMATION**

\_\_\_\_\_**WHEREAS**, older Americans are significant members of our society investing their wisdom and experience to help enrich and better the lives of younger generations, **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus County Senior Centers have acted as a catalyst for mobilizing the creativity, energy, vitality and commitment of the older residents of Columbus County; **and**

**WHEREAS**, through the wide array of services, programs and activities, senior centers empower older citizens of Columbus County to contribute to their own health and well-being and the health and well-being of their fellow citizens of all ages; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Senior Centers in Columbus County affirm the dignity, self worth and independence of older persons by facilitating their decisions and actions; tapping their experiences, skills and knowledge; and enabling their continued contributions to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners does proclaim September 2009 as SENIOR CENTER MONTH; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED we call upon all citizens to recognize the special contributions of the Senior Centers’ participants, and the special efforts of the staff and volunteers who work every day to enhance the well-being of the older citizens of our community.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

Mr. Worley stated the following:

1. Columbus County has more senior centers and nutrition sites than any county in the State;
2. This has been made possible through the Cape Fear Council of Governments who have been generous to us and has worked well with us;
3. We serve approximately sixty thousand (60,000) meals per year and have an average of six hundred (600) participants at all seven locations; **and**
4. September is Senior Center Month and we would like to recognize our senior citizens.

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the Senior Center Month Proclamation, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #8: EMERGENCY SERVICES - APPROVAL of UPDATED FRANCHISE AGREEMENT for NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICE:**

Jeremy Jernigan, Emergency Services Director, requested Board approval of the following updated Franchise Agreement for Non-Emergency Ambulance Service.

**FRANCHISE AGREEMENT  
for  
NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICE  
in  
COLUMBUS COUNTY**

**SECTION I: GRANT**

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Columbus County Non-Emergency Service Ordinance, \_\_\_\_\_, its successors and assigns (hereinafter referred to as “Grantee”), is hereby granted, from and after the effective date hereof, the right, privilege and franchise to provide scheduled non-emergency ambulance service within the jurisdictional boundaries of Columbus County, North Carolina, for the purpose of providing adequate non-emergency ambulance service to the citizens of Columbus County.

**SECTION II: TERM**

The term of this Franchise Agreement shall be for five (5) years from the effective date, subject to termination by either party upon sixty (60) days prior written notice to the other party. Thereafter, the term of this Agreement will automatically renew for an additional one (1) year term on each anniversary of the effective date, unless one of the parties has notified the other, in writing, to terminate this Agreement at least sixty (60) days before the anniversary of the effective date each year.

**SECTION III: TERRITORY**

This Franchise Agreement shall apply to scheduled non-emergency ambulance service to citizens within the jurisdictional boundaries of Columbus County.

**SECTION IV: NON-EXCLUSIVE**

Columbus County reserves the right to grant similar franchises for the same or similar services during the duration of this Franchise Agreement. Likewise, Grantee is not exclusively bound to County and is free to provide services to other persons or entities during the duration of this Franchise Agreement.

#### **SECTION V: STANDARDS**

Grantee shall ensure that the standards for this franchise, including service of the drivers and attendants, vehicles and equipment, and communication facilities, during the initial term and any and all automatic renewal terms of this Franchise Agreement, comply with all of the laws and requirements of the State of North Carolina and the Columbus County Non-Emergency Ambulance Service Ordinance. A copy of said Ordinance is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

#### **SECTION VI: INSURANCE**

Grantee shall at all times during the initial term and any and all automatic renewal terms of this Franchise Agreement, maintain in full force and effect insurance coverage, issued by an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of North Carolina, sufficient to provide all the insurance necessary to meet the requirements of the Columbus County Non-Emergency Ambulance Service Ordinance.

#### **SECTION VII: RECORDS**

Grantee will submit all required records for County's inspection. Upon receipt of notice by County, Grantee will permit County to inspect Grantee's records, premises and equipment to ensure compliance with the Columbus County Non-Emergency Ambulance Service Ordinance.

#### **SECTION VIII: RATES and CHARGES**

Grantee shall submit a proposed Schedule of Rates/Charges to County for approval. Upon obtaining approval, Grantee will charge only those rates/charges which have been approved.

#### **SECTION IX: REPRESENTATIONS and COVENANTS**

The acceptance of this Franchise Agreement by the Grantee shall constitute representations and covenants by Grantee that:

- A. Grantee accepts and agrees to all the provisions of this Franchise Agreement and those instruments and documents incorporated herein by reference.
- B. Grantee has examined all of the provisions of this Franchise Agreement and the Columbus County Non-Emergency Ambulance Service Ordinance and waives any claim that any provisions are unreasonable, arbitrary or void.
- C. Grantee recognizes the right of County to make amendments to this Franchise Agreement and/or Ordinance during the any term of this Franchise Agreement. Such amendments to this Franchise Agreement will be in writing and signed by the parties. No such changes will compromise the ability of Grantee to satisfactorily perform its obligations under this Franchise Agreement.

#### **SECTION X: EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Franchise Agreement shall be in full force and effect after approval by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.

Franchise granted to \_\_\_\_\_ at the regular scheduled meeting of the Columbus County Board of Commissioners on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

#### **COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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**James E. Prevatte, Chairman**

Attested by:

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June B. Hall,  
Clerk to the Board

(NAME OF COMPANY)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
President

Attested by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

Mr.Jernigan stated the following:

1. The major update in this agreement is that it automatically renews at the end of five (5) years unless either party should decide to terminate; **and**
2. There are a few other minor changes.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the **updated** Franchise Agreement for Non-Emergency Ambulance Service, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #9: EMERGENCY SERVICES - DESIGNATION of TWO (2) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS to FIRE PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE:**

Jeremy Jernigan, Emergency Services Director, requested the Board to appoint two (2) Commissioners to serve on the Fire Peer Review Committee.

Commissioner Russ made a motion to appoint Vice Chairman Ricky Bullard and Commissioner Ronald Gore to the Columbus County Fire Peer Review Committee, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #10: PURCHASING - RESOLUTION APPROVING FINANCING TERMS:**

Stuart Carroll, Purchasing Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Resolution Approving Financing Terms from Branch Banking and Trust (BB&T), for the financing of four (4) Sheriff vehicles.

**Resolution Approving Financing Terms**

**WHEREAS**, The Columbus County (“County”) has previously determined to undertake a project for four 2010 Dodge Chargers (the “Project”), and the Finance Officer has now presented a proposal for the financing of such Project.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, as follows:**

1. The County hereby determines to finance the Project through Branch Banking and Trust Company (“BB&T”), in accordance with the proposal dated August 17, 2009. The amount financed shall not exceed \$86,684.00, the annual interest rate (in the absence of default or change in tax status) shall not exceed 3.26%, and the financing term shall not exceed three (3) years from closing.
2. All financing contracts and all related documents for the closing of the financing (the “Financing Documents”) shall be consistent with the foregoing terms. All officers and employees of the County are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any Financing Documents, and to take all such further action as they may consider necessary or desirable, to carry out the financing of the Project as contemplated by the proposal and this resolution. The Financing Documents shall include a Financing Agreement and Deed of Trust and a Project Fund Agreement as BB&T may request.
3. The Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to hold executed copies of the

Financing Documents until the conditions for the delivery of the Financing Documents have been completed to such officer's satisfaction. The Finance Officer is authorized to approve changes to any Financing Documents previously signed by County officers or employees, provided that such changes shall not substantially alter the intent of such documents or certificates from the intent expressed in the forms executed by such officers. The Financing Documents shall be in such final forms as the Finance Officer shall approve, with the Finance Officer's release of any Financing Documents for delivery constituting conclusive evidence of such officer's final approval of the Document's final form.

4. The County shall not take or omit to take any action the taking or omission of which shall cause its interest payments on this financing to be includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of the registered owners of the interest payment obligations. The County hereby designates its obligations to make principal and interest payments under the Financing Documents as "qualified tax- exempt obligations" for the purpose of Internal Revenue Code Section 265(b)(3).
5. The County intends that the adoption of this resolution will be a declaration of the County's official intent to reimburse expenditures for the project that is to be financed from the proceeds of the BB&T financing described above. The County intends that funds that have been advanced, or that may be advanced, from the County's general fund, or any other County fund related to the project, for project costs may be reimbursed from the financing proceeds.
6. All prior actions of County officers in furtherance of the purposes of this resolution are hereby ratified, approved and confirmed. All other resolutions (or parts thereof) in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed, to the extent of the conflict. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

By: **JAMES E. PREVATTE**  
 Title: Chairman  
 Columbus County Board of Commissioners  
 (SEAL)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve the Resolution Approving Financing Terms from Branch Banking and Trust (BB&T) for the financing of four (4) Sheriff vehicles in the amount of eighty-six thousand, six hundred eighty-four and 00/100 (\$86,684.00) dollars, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #11: PURCHASING - APPROVAL of LOW BIDDER for FOUR (4) SHERIFF VEHICLES:**

Stuart Carroll, Purchasing Director, requested Board approval of the low bidder for the purchase of four (4) Sheriff vehicles from the following bid proposals.

COMPANY	TYPE	AMOUNT
Ilderton Dodge	V6 Dodge Charger	\$20,347.00
	V8 Dodge Charger	\$21,034.00
Underwood	V6 Dodge Charger	\$21,733.00
	V8 Dodge Charger	\$22,418.00
Capital Ford	Crown Victoria	\$22,100.00
Bobby Jones	Crown Victoria	\$22,194.68
Quality Ford	Crown Victoria	\$22,646.68

In-depth discussion was conducted relative to the following:

1. Why are these vehicles not being purchased on State contract;
2. What were these vehicles being used for;

3. Would the V6 vehicles serve the purpose needed due to the lower price;
4. Why Chevrolet vehicles were not included in the bidding;
5. Would another brand vehicle serve this purpose due to a lower purchase price; **and**
6. The absence of the Purchasing Director to clarify these questions.

Commissioner Gore made a motion to approve the low bidder for the purchase of four (4) Sheriff vehicles at the price of twenty-one thousand, thirty-four, and 00/100 (\$21,034.00) dollars each from Ilderton Dodge, seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

Vice Chairman Bullard made a substitute motion to table this Agenda item until the September 21, 2009 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Gore.

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

**AYES:** Chairman Prevatte, Vice Chairman Bullard, Commissioners Norris, Byrd and Gore;  
**and**

**NAYS:** Commissioners McKenzie and Russ.

The motion passes on a five (5) to two (2) vote.

**Agenda Item #12: PROCLAMATION - FALL LITTER SWEEP 2009 by the COUNTY of COLUMBUS, a PROCLAMATION:**

Kip McClary, Solid Waste Director, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Fall Litter Sweep 2009 by the County of Columbus, a Proclamation.

**FALL LITTER SWEEP 2009  
by the COUNTY OF COLUMBUS  
A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Columbus organizes an annual fall countywide roadside cleanup to ensure clean and beautiful roads in Columbus County; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the fall 2009 "**LITTER SWEEP**" roadside cleanup will take place **September 19 through October 03, 2009** and encourages local governments, businesses and communities, civic and professional groups, churches, schools, families and individual citizens to participate in the Columbus County cleanup by sponsoring and organizing local roadside cleanups; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Adopt-A-Highway volunteers, Columbus County employees, Department of Correction inmates and community service workers, community leaders, local government agencies, community and civic organizations, businesses, churches, schools and environmentally concerned citizens annually conduct community cleanups during "**LITTER SWEEP**" and may receive certificates of appreciation for their participation; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the great natural beauty of our County and a clean environment are sources of great pride for all Columbus Countians, attracting tourists and aiding in recruiting new industries; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the cleanup will increase awareness of the need for cleaner roadsides, emphasize the importance of not littering and encourage recycling of solid wastes; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the fall 2009 Litter Sweep cleanup will celebrate the 21st anniversary of the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway Program and its 5,750 volunteer groups that donate their labor and time year round to keep our roadsides clean; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the "**LITTER SWEEP**" cleanup will be a part of educating the children of this great County regarding the importance of a clean environment to the quality of life in Columbus County.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the Columbus County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim **September 19 through October 03, 2009**, as "**FALL LITTER SWEEP**" time in Columbus County, and encourage citizens to take an active role in making their communities cleaner.

**ADOPTED** this the 8th day of September, 2009.

**COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**  
/s/ **JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board**

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the Fall Litter Sweep 2009 by the County of Columbus, a Proclamation, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #13: FINANCE - APPROVAL of INVESTMENT POLICY:**

Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Director, requested Board acceptance of the following Investment Policy as its first reading.

**COUNTY OF COLUMBUS  
STANDARD POLICY/PROCEDURE**

SUBJECT: Investment Policy  
Effective Date:  
Department: Finance Office  
Policy No.  
Prepared by: Bobbie Faircloth, Finance Director  
# of Pages: 15

The purpose of this investment policy is to provide investment guidance to the statutory Finance Officer in the routine investment of public funds and to ensure public funds are invested within the limitations of the North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) 159-30.

**I. Scope**

This policy applies only to the investment of short-term operating funds. Longer-term funds available for investment would include the proceeds from certain debt issues which are not covered by this policy.

**Pooling of Funds -** Except for cash in certain restricted and special funds, the County will consolidate cash balances from all funds to maximize investment earnings. Investment income will be allocated to the various funds based on their respective participation and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

**II. General Objectives**

The three primary objectives, in priority order, of investment activities shall be safety, liquidity, and yield:

1. **Safety** - Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments shall be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. The objective will be to mitigate credit risk and interest rate risk.
  - a. **Credit Risk** is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security issuer or backer. The County will minimize this risk by:
    - Limiting investments to the safest types of securities as directed by N.C.G.S. 159-30,
    - Pre-qualifying the financial institutions, broker/dealers, intermediaries, and advisers with which the County will do business, and
    - Reasonably diversifying the investment portfolio so that potential losses on individual securities will be minimized.
  - b. **Interest Rate Risk** is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in general interest rates. The County will minimize this risk by:
    - Structuring the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash

- requirements for ongoing operations. This is to avoid the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity, and
  - Investing operating funds primarily in shorter-term securities, money market mutual funds, or similar investment pools.
2. **Liquidity** - The investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated. This is accomplished by structuring the portfolio so that securities mature concurrent with cash needs to meet anticipated demands (static liquidity). Furthermore, since all possible cash demands cannot be anticipated, the portfolio should consist largely of securities with active secondary or resale markets (dynamic liquidity). A portion of the portfolio may also be placed in money market mutual funds of local government investment pools that will offer same-day liquidity for short-term funds.
  3. **Yield** - The investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of attaining a market rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles, taking into account the investment risk constraints and liquidity needs. Return on investment is of secondary importance compared to the safety and liquidity objectives described above. The cores of investments are limited to relatively low risk securities in anticipation of earning a fair return relative to the risk being assumed. Securities shall not be sold prior to maturity with the following exceptions:
    - A security with declining credit may be sold early to minimize loss of principal,
    - A security swap would improve the equality, yield, or target duration in the portfolio, or
    - Liquidity needs of the portfolio require that the security be sold.

### III. Standards of Care

#### 1. Prudence

- a. The standard of prudence to be used by investment officials shall be the "prudent person rule" standard and shall be applied in the context of managing an overall portfolio.
- b. Prudent Person Rule - Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived.
- c. Investment officials, acting in accordance with NCGS and this investment policy and exercising due diligence shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provide deviations from expectations are reported in a timely fashion and the liquidity and the sale of securities are carried out in accordance with the terms of this policy.

#### 2. Ethics and Conflicts of Interest

- a. Investment officials and employees involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution and management of the investment program, or that could impair their ability to make impartial decisions.
- b. Investment Officials and employees involved in the investment process, shall disclose any material interest in financial institutions with which they conduct business.
- c. Investment Officials and employees involved in the investment process, shall further disclose any personal financial/investment positions that could be related to the performance of the investment portfolio.

#### 3. Delegation of Authority

- a. Authority to manage the investment program is outlined in NCGS §159-30 and

granted to the Financial Services Director (i.e. the statutory Finance Officer), hereinafter referred to as Investment Officer.

- b. Responsibility for the operation of the investment program is hereby delegated to the Investment Officer, who shall act in accordance with established written procedures and internal controls for the operation of the investment program consistent with this investment policy.
- c. Procedures should include references to: safekeeping, delivery vs. payment, investment accounting, repurchase agreements, wire transfer agreements, and collateral/depository agreements.
- d. No person may engage in an investment transaction except as provided under the terms of this policy and the procedures established by the Investment Officer.
- e. The investment officer shall be responsible for all transactions undertaken and shall establish a system of controls to regulate the activities of subordinate officials.

#### IV. **Safekeeping and Custody**

##### 1. **Authorized Financial Dealers and Institutions**

A list will be maintained of financial institutions authorized to provide investment services. In addition, a separate list will also be maintained of approved security brokers/dealers selected by creditworthiness (e.g., a minimum capital requirement of \$10,000,000 and at least five years of operation). These may include "primary" dealers or regional dealers that qualify under Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Rule 15C3-1 (uniform net capital rule).

All financial institutions and broker/dealers who desire to become qualified for investment transactions must supply the following as appropriate:

- Audited financial statements,
- Proof of national Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) certification,
- Proof of state registration,
- Completed broker/dealer questionnaire (Exhibit A), and
- Certification of having read and understood and agreeing to comply with this investment policy.

An annual review of the financial condition and registration of qualified financial institution and broker/dealers will be conducted by the Investment Officer.

From time to time, the Investment Officer may choose to invest in instruments offered by minority and community financial institutions. In such situations, a waiver to the criteria described above may be granted. All terms and relationships will be fully disclosed prior to purchase and will be reported to the County Board of Commissioners on a consistent basis and will be consistent with state laws. These types of investments purchases should be approved by the County Board of Commissioners in advance.

##### 2. **Internal Controls**

- a. The Investment Officer is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the County are protected from loss, theft or misuse.
- b. The internal control structure shall be designed to provide reasonable assurance that these objectives are met.
- c. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

Accordingly, the Investment Officer shall establish a process for an annual review by an external auditor to assure compliance with policies and procedures. The internal controls shall address the following points:

- Control of collusion,
- Custodial safekeeping,
- Clear delegation of authority to subordinate staff members,
- Written confirmation of transactions for investments and wire transfers, and
- Development of a wire transfer agreement with the lead bank and third-party custodian.

### 3. **Delivery vs. Payment**

All trades where applicable will be executed by delivery vs. payment (DVP) to ensure that securities are deposited in an eligible financial institution prior to the release of funds. Securities will be held by a third-party custodian as evidenced by safekeeping receipts.

## V. **Suitable and Authorized Investments**

### 1. **Investment Types**

Per North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) §159-30, the County is authorized to invest in the following classes of security and no other:

- a. Moneys may be deposited at interest in any bank, savings and loan association, or trust company in the State in the form of certificates of deposit or such forms of time deposit. (Certificates of Deposit)
- b. Obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States (Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds).
- c. Obligations of the Federal Financing Bank, the Federal Farm Credit Bank, the Bank for Cooperatives, the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, the Federal Land Banks, the Federal Home Loan Banks, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal Housing Administration, the Farmers Home Administration, the United States Postal Service (Agencies).
- d. Obligations of the State of North Carolina (NC State Bonds).
- e. Bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority, subject to such restrictions as the secretary may impose (NC Municipal Bonds).
- f. Savings certificates issued by any savings and loan association organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina or by any federal savings and loan association having its principal office in North Carolina; provided that any principal amount of such certificate in excess of the amount insured by the federal government or any agency thereof, or by a mutual deposit guaranty association authorized by the Administrator of the Savings and Loan Division of the Department of Commerce of the State of North Carolina, be fully collateralized (Certificates of Deposit).
- g. Prime quality commercial paper bearing the highest rating of at least one nationally recognized rating service and not bearing a rating below the highest by any nationally recognized rating service which rates the particular obligation (Commercial Paper).
- h. Bills of exchange of time drafts drawn on and accepted by a commercial bank and eligible for use as collateral by member banks in borrowing from a federal reserve bank, provided that the accepting bank or its holding company is either (1) incorporated in the State of North Carolina or (2) has outstanding publicly held obligations bearing the highest rating of at least one nationally recognized rating service and not bearing a rating below the highest by any nationally recognized rating service which rates the particular obligations (Bankers Acceptances).
- I. Participating shares in a mutual fund for local government investment; provided that the investments of the fund are limited to those qualifying for investment under this sub section and that said fund is certified by the Local Government Commission. The Local Government Commission shall have the authority to issue rules and regulations concerning the establishment and qualifications of any mutual fund for local government investment (North Carolina Capital Management Trust Fund – NCCMT).
- j. Evidences of ownership of, or fractional undivided interest in, future interest and principal payments on either direct obligations of the United States government or obligations the principal of and the interest on which are guaranteed by the United States, which obligations are held by a bank or trust company organized and existing under the laws of the United States or any state in the capacity of custodian (Treasury Strips).

The County will not invest in derivatives of the above instruments.

## VI. Investment Parameters

### 1. Diversification

The investments shall be diversified by:

- Limiting investments to avoid over concentration in securities from a specific issuer or business sector (excluding U.S. Treasury securities),
- Limiting investment in securities that have higher credit risks,
- Investing in securities with varying maturities, and
- Continuously investing a portion of the portfolio in readily available funds such as the North Carolina Cash Management Trust Fund (NCCMT), which is a money market mutual fund, to ensure that appropriate liquidity is maintained in order to meet ongoing obligations.

### 2. Maximum Maturities

To the extent possible, the County shall attempt to match its investments with anticipated cash flow requirements. Unless matched to a specific cash flow, the County will not directly invest in securities maturing more than five (5) years from the date of purchase. The County shall adopt weighted average maturity limitations (which often range from 90 days to 3 years), consistent with the investment objectives.

Reserve funds and other funds with longer-term investment horizons may be invested in securities exceeding five (5) years if the maturities of such investments are made to coincide as nearly as practicable with the expected use of funds. The intent to invest in securities with longer maturities shall be disclosed in writing to the Columbus County Board of Commissioners.

Because of inherent difficulties in accurately forecasting cash flow requirements, a portion of the portfolio should be continuously invested in the NCCMT or similar money market fund to ensure that appropriate liquidity is maintained to meet ongoing obligations.

## VII. Reporting

### 1. Methods

The Investment Officer shall prepare an investment report at least annually, including a management summary that provides an analysis of the status of the current investment portfolio and transactions made over the last quarter. This management summary will be prepared in a manner which will allow the County to ascertain whether investment activities during the reporting period have conformed to the Investment Policy. The report should be provided to the County Manager and the County Commissioners. The report will include the following:

- a. Listing of individual securities held at the end of the reporting period,
- b. Realized and unrealized gains or losses resulting from appreciation or depreciation by listing the cost and market value of securities over one-year duration that are not intended to be held until maturity (in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) requirements),
- c. Average weighted yield to maturity of portfolio on investments as compared to applicable benchmarks,
- d. Listing of investment by maturity date, and
- e. Percentage of the total portfolio that each type of investment represents.

### 2. Performance Standards

The investment portfolio will be managed in accordance with the parameters specified within this policy. The portfolio should obtain a market average rate of return during a market/economic environment of stable interest rates. A series of appropriate benchmarks shall be established against which portfolio performance shall be compared on a regular basis.

3. Marking to Market

The market value of the portfolio shall be calculated at least quarterly and a statement of the market value of the portfolio shall be issued at least quarterly. This will ensure that review of the investment portfolio, in terms of value and price volatility, has been performed consistent with the GFOA Recommended Practice on "Mark-to-Market Practices for State and Local Government Investment Portfolios and Investment Pools."

VIII. Policy Considerations

1. Amendments

This policy shall be reviewed on an annual basis. Any changes must be approved by the Investment Officer, the County Manager, and the County Commissioners, as well as the individual(s) charged with maintaining internal controls.

Approved by:

Columbus County Board of Commissioners  
Chairman James Prevatte

Date

**Exhibit A**  
**Broker/Dealer Request for Information**

Section I: Statement of Position and General Requirements.

The County of Columbus (hereinafter referred to as the "County") is a local government operating under the laws of the State of North Carolina. The County manages an operational portfolio ranging in size from \$15 million to \$25 million, which is comprised mainly of money market instruments. The County has adopted a written Investment Policy that regulates the standards and procedures used in its cash management activities. A copy of the Investment Policy is attached as an Appendix to this document.

The County maintains relationships with qualified members of the broker/dealer community who, in its opinion, understand the needs, constraints, and goals of the County.

Broker/dealers will be notified of their approval by the County in writing. No transactions will be conducted with an approved broker/dealer until all paperwork required by both parties has been executed. The County solicits competitive bids and offers on the majority of its transactions. All securities will be delivered against payment to the third-party custodian named by the County. County Investment Officer will review and substantiate all information and references requested in the document; therefore, please answer all questions as thoroughly as possible.

Section II – Part I: Request for General Information from Broker/Dealer Candidate

- 1. Name of firm: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Address – Local  
Headquarters: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Provide both street address and/or P. O. Box No., if applicable)
- 3. Telephone No. Local: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
(800) \_\_\_\_\_  
Headquarters: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Personnel: (provide as an attachment if more space is required)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CRD#: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide background information concerning the account representatives listed in No. 4 above. Please include information on the individual's employment history as it relates to the

securities industry, official licenses and certificates, the history and details of any disciplinary actions or complaints and the disposition of each as well as the history of any arbitration or litigation, the nature of the case and status or disposition.

5. Please provide the following information regarding at least four comparable clients with whom any of the representatives listed in No. 4 has an established relationship. We would prefer public sector clients in our geographical areas, if possible.

Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Person to Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Length of Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Has/have the representative(s) listed in No. 4 above been authorized by the firm to be account representative(s) for the County of Columbus?  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 If yes, by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Please list the name of the immediate supervisor of the account representative(s) named in your response to No. 4 above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Briefly describe any formal program of supervision of the account representative(s) named in No. 4, if your firm has established such a program.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is your firm a member of NASD? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 If not, why? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Place an "X" by each regulatory agency that your firm is examined by and/or subject to its rules and regulations.

FDIC                      SEC                      NYSE  
 Comptroller of Currency                      Federal Reserve System  
 Other (example: State Regulatory Agency). Multi-state firms please note: It is not necessary to include regulatory agencies that do not have jurisdiction over your firm's activities in the County of Columbus.

10. Have you obtained all required licenses to operate as a broker/dealer in the state of North Carolina?  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

11. If you are not a Bank, please provide the following information regarding your principal banking relationship.

Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Person to Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Length of Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Place an "X" in the block next to each of the instruments set forth below in which you make an active market (both buy and sell).

T-Bills :	_____	T Notes/Bonds:	_____
BA:	_____	Commercial Paper:	_____
Bank CDs:	_____	S & L CDs:	_____
GNMAs:	_____	FHLMCs:	_____

Other Federal Agencies (Please Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Instrumentalities (Please Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

- 13. Does your firm specialize in any of the instruments listed above? If so, please specify which ones.

**Section II – Part II: Request for Broker/Dealer Candidate Disclosure**

- 14. To the best of your knowledge, has there been any “material” litigation, arbitration or regulatory proceedings, either pending, adjudicated or settled, that your firm has been subject to within the last five years that involved issues concerning the suitability of the sale or purchase of securities to institutional clients or fraudulent or unfair practices related to the sale of securities to an institutional client? If so, please describe each such matter briefly. For purposes of this section, proceedings are “material” if your independent accountant applying generally accepted accounting principles determines that such proceedings required disclosure on your financial statements.

- 15. Please provide certified audited financial statements for the last three years. In addition, for those dealers preparing and submitting financial statements to the following organizations, please provide publicly available financial documents filed with these agencies for the previous two years:

National Association of Securities Dealers  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
New York Stock Exchange  
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

- 16. Will the representative(s) assigned to the County account be required to read the County Investment Policy?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section III: Certification**

I hereby certify that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I am authorized to execute this request for information on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Title: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Note the foregoing form must be signed by a registered principal of your firm.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to accept the Columbus County Investment Policy as its first reading, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #14: Proclamation - Approval and Adoption of Proclamation Declaring September 17 - 23, 2009 as Constitution Week:**

Ann Fox, member of the Major General Robert Howe Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), requested Board approval and adoption of the following Proclamation - Constitution Week 2009.

**PROCLAMATION  
Constitution Week 2009**

**Whereas**, September 17, 2009, marks the two hundred and twenty-second anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; **and**

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; **and**

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; **and**

**Whereas**, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as **Constitution Week**.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, James E. Prevatte, Chairman, Columbus County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim September 17 through 23, 2009 to be

### **CONSTITUTION WEEK**

in Columbus County, and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the framers of the Constitution had in 1787.

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman**  
**Columbus County Commissioners**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the County of Columbus, NC, on this eighth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand nine.

Commissioner Norris made a motion to approve and adopt the Proclamation - Constitution Week 2009, seconded by Vice Chairman Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #15: PROCLAMATION - PROCLAMATION of APPRECIATION to the CONCERNED CITIZENS of the LAKE WACCAMAW AREA, ST. JAMES ANNUAL FESTIVAL:**

Lila Spaulding, member of the Concerned Citizens of Lake Waccamaw, requested Board approval and adoption of the following Proclamation of Appreciation to the Concerned Citizens of the Lake Waccamaw Area, St. James Annual Festival.

### **PROCLAMATION of APPRECIATION to the CONCERNED CITIZENS of the LAKE WACCAMAW AREA ST. JAMES ANNUAL FESTIVAL**

The Board of County Commissioners, at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 08, 2009, unanimously adopted the following Proclamation:

**BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT WHEREAS**, the **St. James Annual Festival** of Columbus County has made life-long strides to improve the quality of life in their community and county; **and**

**WHEREAS**, members of the **St. James Annual Festival** have served on numerous boards, agencies, committees in their church, government and community functions; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the **Committee** is recognized County and State-wide for leadership in positive endeavors for the general welfare of all people; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the **Committee** has given unselfishly of their time and energies to help those in need or those with unfortunate situations in a most untiring and caring way.

**THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, that they do hereby recognize the true loyal and faithful service to their community and county and congratulate them on this special occasion.

**ADOPTED** unanimously on this the 8th day of September 2009.

#### **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

/s/ **JAMES E. PREVATTE - DISTRICT II, Chairman**

/s/ **RICKY BULLARD - District VI, Vice Chairman**

**ATTESTED BY:**

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

**COMMISSIONERS:**

**Amon E. McKenzie - I**

**Lynwood Norris - V**

**William S. Clark, County Manager**

**Edwin Russ - III**

**Ronald Gore - VII**

**Mike Stephens, County Attorney**

**Giles E. Byrd - IV**

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve and adopt the Proclamation of Appreciation to the Concerned Citizens of the Lake Waccamaw Area, St. James Annual Festival, seconded by Vice Chairman Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #16: ADMINISTRATION - DEPARTMENTAL UPDATE:**

William S. Clark, County Manager, will deliver a departmental update to the Board.

**TABLED (See adjustment of Agenda)**

**Agenda Item #17: GOVERNING BODY - APPROVAL of CORRECTION to JUNE 01, 2009 COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES:**

June B. Hall, Clerk to the Board, requested Board approval of the following correction to the June 01, 2009 Minutes.

Page 179: Agenda Item #10: 2009 CDBG Grant Program - Establish Public Hearing Date:

**Motion:**

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to establish June 01, 2009, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for a public hearing in order to apply for the 2009 CDBG funds, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

**Amended as follows:**

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to establish **June 15, 2009**, at 6:30 P.M., as the date and time for a public hearing in order to apply for the 2009 CDBG funds, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the correction to the June 01, 2009 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Regular Session Meeting Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Norris. 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 7:13 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 Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

August 17, 2009 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

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

**Agenda Item #19: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT IV - APPROVAL of ENGINEER CONTRACT MILEAGE CHANGE with BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board Approval of the change in contract mileage.

This information will be recorded in Minute Book Number 1 for Columbus County Water

and Sewer District IV.

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

At 7:21 P.M., Vice Chairman Bullard 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 Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #20: APPOINTMENTS - COMMITTEES/BOARDS/COUNCILS:**

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

COMMITTEE	ZONE/ EB	PERSON(S)	EXPIR. DATE	BOARD ACTION
Department of Aging Advisory Council	VI	Jessie Spivey <b>(Will Replace Myra Godwin)</b>	06-30-2012	<b>Appoint</b>
Lake Waccamaw Planning Board	EB	Kyle Peacock (ETJ) David Lanier (ETJ)	<b>See Note Below</b>	<b>Re-Appoint Re-Appoint</b>

**NOTE:** Darren Currie, Town Manager, states that he is changing the expiration dates to allow for all terms to end in June.

**Agenda Item #21: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

**A. Amendments to August 17, 2009 Refunds and Releases:**

Commissioner Gore made a motion to approve the following amendments to the August 17, 2009 Tax Refunds and Releases, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

Release the value of a camper in the name of Kermit Mizelle. The correct property value would be \$2,410.00 instead of \$2,610.00

Release the user fee in the name of Willie Christian. The total release should be \$210.00 instead of \$213.00.

Release one of five user fees in the name of Lawrence Investment Properties. The correct account number should be 01-00273 instead of 01-00278.

**B. Tax Refunds and Releases:**

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

**TAX REFUNDS (as submitted to the Governng Body Office from the Tax Office):  
September 08, 2009**

Refunds Name: Benton, V.J. Jr. Amount: \$92.34  
 Value: \$2,700.00 Year 004/0 Account # 16-00520 Bill # 99999 Total \$106.50  
 Refund the property value, the Cerro Gordo Fire (11.80) and Columbus Rescue (2.36). The property is double listed n the same name on a different account number and paid.  
 PO Box 114 Cerro Gordo NC 28430

Refunds Name: Benton, V.J. Jr. Amount: \$23.60  
 Value: \$2,700.00 Year 004-0 Account # 16-00520 Bill # 99999 Total \$23.60  
 Refund the property value for the Town of Cerro Gordo, The porperty is double listed in the same name on a different account number and paid.  
 PO Box 114 Cerro Gordo NC 28430

Refunds Name: Brown, Jessie B. Amount: \$187.50  
 Value: \$6,000.00 Year 005/0 Account # 15-05640 Bill # 99999 Total \$221.10  
 Refund the property value, the Acme Delco Fire (28.80) and the Columbus Rescue (4.80). Customer was billed with incorrect acres.  
 7305 Old Stage Rd. Riegelwood NC 28456

Refunds Name: Brown, Jessie B. Amount: \$84.00  
 Value: \$6,000.00 Year 005/0 Account # 15-05640 Bill # 99999 Total \$84.00  
 Refund the property value for the Town of Sandyfield. Customer billed with incorrect acres.  
 7305 Old Stage Rd. Riegelwood NC 28456

Refunds Name: Columbus Court LLC Amount: \$2,110.85  
 Value: \$259,000.00 Year 009 Account # 01-00532 Bill # 99999 Total \$2,162.65  
 Refund a portion of the property value that should be taxed for 2009 only for income value pursuant to GS 105-277.16.  
 P.O. Box 25168 Winston Salem NC 27114

Refunds Name: George, Hilda L. Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year 005/0 Account # 01-31223 Bill # 99999 Total \$415.48  
 Refund the user fee on a house that burned in 1999.  
 1299 Sunset Terrece Whiteville NC 28472

Refunds Name: Wright, Patricia V. Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year 009 Account # 03-00022 Bill # 60050 Total \$70.00  
 Refund a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.  
 1482 Gaston Sellers Rd. Whiteville NC 28472

**TAX RELEASES (as submitted to the Governing Body Office from the Tax Office):  
 September 08, 2009**

Release the Property Value in the name of Balfour Beatty Construc Group Amount: \$473.77  
 Value: \$58,131.00 Year: 2009 Account # Bill # 6-01738 Total \$597.88  
 Release the equipment value, the Yam City Fire (58.13) and the Columbus Rescue (11.63). The equipment was moved out of the county in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of Bowen, Jeffery L. Amount: \$198.77  
 Value: \$4,149.00 Year: 2000/0 Account # 12-02003 Bill # 9999 Total \$228.05  
 Release the value of a home made boat for the years 2000 through 2005. Release also the Columbus Rescue (3.78 and the W2 (8.40). The boat came apart. It is no longer usable.

Release the Property Value in the name of Buck, Gloria M. Amount: \$75.81  
 Value: \$3,100.00 Year: 2007/0 Account # 07--00883 Bill # 9999 Total \$85.11  
 Release a portion of the property value for 2007/09. Release also a portion of the Nakina Fire (7.44) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (1.86). There is no well and septic hook up on this property.

Release the Property Value in the name of Buffkin, Billy B. Amount: \$8.15  
 Value: \$1,000.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-05054 Bill # 8204 Total \$8.95  
 Release the value of a boat, the Williams Fire (.60) and the Columbus Rescue (.20). The boat is no longer usable.

Release the Property Value in the name of Connell Finance Company Amount: \$491.14  
 Value: \$60,263.00 Year: 2009 Account # 04-035222 Bill # 1518 Total \$503.19  
 Release the value of the business equipment and the Columbus Rescue. The equipment was moved to Chesterfield RI in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of Conner, Kevin Amount: \$136.10  
 Value: \$16,700.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-03566 Bill # 1526 Total \$149.46  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Williams Fire (10.02) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (3.34). The house was billed with the incorrect size.

Release the Property Value in the name of Cox, Lisa Amount: \$48.66  
 Value: \$5,970.00 Year: 2009 Account # 13-02632 Bill # 1988 Total \$58.21  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Klondyke Fire (4.18) a portion of the Columbus Rescue (1.19) and a portion of the W2 (4.18). The boat was billed with the incorrect value.

Release the Property Value in the name of Cumbee, Eddie S. Amount: \$718.02  
 Value: \$88,100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03-04542 Bill # 2443 Total \$806.12  
 Release a portion of the property value. The house size was corrected. The upstairs is unfinished.

Release the Property Value in the name of Danzy, Leroy Amount: \$31.79  
 Value: \$3,900.00 Year: 2009 Account # 16-05523 Bill # 2754 Total \$39.20  
 Release the property value, the Cerro Fire (3.91), the Columbus Rescue (.78) and W2 (2.73). The property is double listed in the name of Nathaniel Danzy.

Release the Property Value in the name of DHA Communications Inc. Amount: \$758.88  
 Value: \$93,114.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-20972 Bill # 3393 Total \$777.50  
 Release a portion of the business personal value and the Whiteville Rescue. The property was double listed as real and personal.

Release the Property Value in the name of Freeman, Henry Amount: \$696.84  
 Value: \$28,500.00 Year: 2007/0 Account # 05-04155 Bill # 9999 Total \$1,566.69  
 Release the value of a double wide home, the North Whiteville Fire (150.00), the Columbus Rescue (17.10) and W3 (99.75). The home was repossessed in 2006.

Release the Property Value in the name of Freeman, Mary Amount: \$114.10  
 Value: \$1,400.00 Year: 2009 Account # 04-05207 Bill # 7164 Total \$127.72  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Bolton Fire (12.26) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (1.36). There is no personal property on the land.

Release the Property Value in the name of Full Circle Solutions Inc. Amount: \$59.96  
 Value: \$7,357.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-00681 Bill # 7360 Total \$67.57  
 Release the business personal value and the Whiteville Rescue. The business closed in 2007.

Release the Property Value in the name of George, Hilda L. Amount: \$52.52  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-31223 Bill # 1415 Total \$52.52  
 Release the value of a house for the Town of Brunswick. The house was torn down in 1999.

Release the Property Value in the name of George, Hilda Lee Amount: \$82.31  
 Value: \$10,100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-31223 Bill # 7932 Total \$207.33  
 Release the value of a house and the Whiteville Rescue. The house was torn down in 1999.

Release the Property Value in the name of Harrelson, Alan Amount: \$301.55  
 Value: \$37,000.00 Year: 2009 Account # 16-04028 Bill # 1279 Total \$581.85  
 Release the value of a double wide, the Cerro Gordo Fire (37.00), the Columbus Rescue (7.40) and the W2 (25.900). The home burned in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hayes, Roy Lee Amount: \$48.90  
 Value: \$6,000.00 Year: 2009 Account # 16-02722 Bill # 1734 Total \$60.30  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Cerro Gordo Fire (6.00) the Columbus Rescue (1.20) and W2 (4.20). The house was billed with incorrect soze.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hinson, Cameron S. Amount: \$367.57  
 Value: \$45,100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-00778 Bill # 2800 Total \$499.59  
 Release a portion of the property value and a portion of the Whiteville Rescue. The house burned in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of Hulon, Raymond Amount: \$4.89  
 Value: \$600.00 Year: 2009 Account # 08-03561 Bill # 3878 Total \$5.01  
 Release the property value and the Columbus Rescue. Property double listed in the same name on a different account number.

Release the Property Value in the name of Irving, Katherine Amount: \$119.15  
 Value: \$14,620.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03-11725 Bill # 4188 Total \$133.77  
 Release the property value, the Old Dock Fire (11.70) and Columbus Rescue (2.92). The property is double listed in the name of Sue and Frank Irving.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ivey, Amy Amount: \$2,133.02  
 Value: \$28,500.00 Year: 1999/0 Account # 12-12971 Bill # 9999 Total \$3,954.66  
 Release the value of a mobile home, the Evergreen Fire (250.00) and the Columbus Rescue (44.64). The home is double listed in the name of Roy Ivey Jr.

Release the Property Value in the name of Ivey, Amy Amount: \$151.95  
 Value: \$28,500.00 Year: 1999/0 Account # 12-12971 Bill # 9999 Total \$151.95  
 Release the value of a mobile home for the Town of Boardman. The home is double listed in the name of Roy Ivey Jr.

Release the Property Value in the name of Jackson, James L. Amount: \$180.95  
 Value: \$22,203.00 Year: 2009 Account # 006-02024 Bill # 4394 Total \$203.93  
 Release the business personal value and the Columbus Rescue fee. The equipment is double listed in the name of Tabor City Laundromat.

Release the Property Value in the name of Logan, Ricky L. Amount: \$8.15  
 Value: \$1,000.00 Year: 2009 Account # 13-05604 Bill # 7903 Total \$132.19  
 Release the value of a mobile home and the Columbus Rescue. The single wide home was traded for a FEMA home and listed.

Release the Property Value in the name of Long, Anthony Amount: \$74.65  
 Value: \$9,160.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03-01134 Bill # 7918 Total \$83.81  
 Release the value of a boat, the Old Dock Fire (7.33) and Columbus Rescue (1.83). The boat was repossessed in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of McKenzie, Gary Amount: \$28.53  
 Value: \$3,500.00 Year: 2009 Account # 12-03015 Bill # 0029 Total \$31.68  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Columbus Rescue (.70) and a portion of the W2 (2.45). Property was billed with incorrect land breakdown. No building sight here.

Release the Property Value in the name of McPherson, Ruffard Amount: \$66.02  
 Value: \$8,100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-19783 Bill # 0775 Total \$72.50  
 Release a portion of the land value, a portion of the Roseland Fire (4.86) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (1.62). Property was billed with incorrect acres.

Release the Property Value in the name of Norris, Estaleen Amount: \$109.21  
 Value: \$13,400.00 Year: 2009 Account # 07-01433 Bill # 3451 Total \$125.29  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Yam City Fire (13.40) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (2.68). Property was taken off the Land Use Program in error.

Release the Property Value in the name of Pone, James Amount: \$209.46  
 Value: \$25,700.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-04674 Bill # 5196 Total \$502.87  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the North Whiteville Fire (50.00), Whiteville Rescue (5.14) and W3 (28.27). The house was billed with incorrect value.  
 Release the Property Value in the name of Smith, John F. Amount: \$40.75  
 Value: \$5,000.00 Year: 2009 Account # 08-17000 Bill # 0842 Total \$41.75  
 Release a portion of the property value and a portion of the Columbus Rescue. Property billed with incorrect acres and land breakdown.

Release the Property Value in the name of Spivey, Richard Amount: \$696.01  
 Value: \$85,100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-28480 Bill # 2127 Total \$1,008.49  
 Release a portion of the property value, a portion of the Yam City Fire (85.40) and a portion of the Columbus Rescue (17.08). The house is double listed in the name of Donna Spivey Waters.

Release the Property Value in the name of Star Tele Membership Corp Amount: \$49.72  
 Value: \$6,100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 12-02551 Bill # 2569 Total \$55.21  
 Release the property value, the Columbus Rescue (1.22) and W2 (4.27). Property is double listed as utility company.

Release the Property Value in the name of State Farm Mutual Auto Ins Co. Amount: \$0.82  
 Value: \$100.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-89046 Bill # 2590 Total \$0.84  
 Release the business personal value and the Whiteville Rescue fee. The property is double listed in the name of Mary B. Williamson Insurance.

Release the Property Value in the name of Stout, William A Amount: \$17.19  
 Value: \$2,109.00 Year: 2009 Account # 06-03305 Bill # 3113 Total \$17.61  
 Release the business personal value and the Columbus Rescue. The business closed in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of Thompson, Gary Amount: \$0.00

Value: \$13,200.00 Year: 2005 Account # 01-002935 Bill # 5776 Total \$185.95  
Release the value of a mobile home and the W3 district. The home is double listed in the name of J.D. Dennis.

Release the Property Value in the name of Todd, James Amount: \$40.91  
Value: \$5,020.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-04736 Bill # 4911 Total \$49.41  
Release the value of a boat, the Roseland Fire (3.01) and Columbus Rescue (1.00). The boat was repossessed in 2008.

Release the Property Value in the name of United Pentecostal Ch Of Christ Inc. Amount: \$1,559.91  
Value: \$191,400.00 Year: 2009 Account # 14-01016 Bill # 9999 Total \$1,751.31  
Release the property value, the Welches Creek Fire (153.12) and Columbus Rescue (38.28). The property should be tax exempt.

Release the Property Value in the name of Vickers, Joseph Amount: \$22.01  
Value: \$800.00 Year: 2007/0 Account # 01-05081 Bill # 9999 Total \$24.81  
Release the value of a boat and the Whiteville Rescue. The boat is listed in Franklenton County.

Release the Property Value in the name of Waccamaw Lumber Co. Amount: \$136.11  
Value: \$18,000.00 Year: 2009 Account # 06-40500 Bill # 5894 Total \$139.45  
Release the property value and the Columbus Rescue. The property is double listed in the name of Tabor City Lumber Co.

Release the Property Value in the name of Warner, Carrie Amount: \$731.87  
Value: \$89,800.00 Year: 2009 Account # 02-02535 Bill # 7240 Total \$872.83  
Release the property value and the Whiteville Rescue. The property was taken over by the DOT for new road.

Release the User Fee in the name of Alford, Kelly Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-00200 Bill # 3411 Total \$210.00  
Release one of two user fees. Building is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Angle, Danny Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 12-04317 Bill # 3762 Total \$210.00  
Release the user fee. House vacant and trash can picked up.

Release the User Fee in the name of Barfield, Anita Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-03000 Bill # 4485 Total \$210.00  
Release the user fee. House is unlivable and has no trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Blake, Toni Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-03651 Bill # 6331 Total \$210.00  
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bordeaux, Michael Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-03315 Bill # 6648 Total \$210.00  
Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bordeaux, Michael Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-03320 Bill # 6649 Total \$210.00  
Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bowen, Bryan Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-01024 Bill # 6758 Total \$210.00  
Release one of two user fees. The old building is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Brown, Shelva Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03-003638 Bill # 7919 Total \$210.00  
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bruno, Mark Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 13-05439 Bill # 8016 Total \$87.50  
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have a trash can for the full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Bryant, David Amount: \$0.00  
Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 14-02611 Bill # 8067 Total \$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Buffkin, Kenneth	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-00942 Bill # 8261	Total	\$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Bullock, John A.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-07620 Bill # 8519	Total	\$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Burroughs, R. J.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-02202 Bill # 8768	Total	\$87.50

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cam-Brent Inc.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 11-01060 Bill # 9291	Total	\$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Canady, Diana	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-03011 Bill # 9489	Total	\$122.50

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Clewis, Neil	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03--035200 Bill # 0918	Total	\$210.00

Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up in 2005.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Coleman, Heather	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2008 Account # 01-03044 Bill # 3125	Total	\$119.00

Release the user fee that was prepaid in 2008.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Cribb, Patricia	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 07-03551 Bill # 2281	Total	\$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Curtis, Robert	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-03910 Bill # 2519	Total	\$210.00

Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Dale, Robert	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-11320 Bill # 2611	Total	\$210.00

Release one of three user fee. Customer only has two trash cans.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Davis, James	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-11683 Bill # 9999	Total	\$332.50

Release one user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can. Release a portion of another. Customer did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee	in the name of Davis,, Corene	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-00997 Bill # 2840	Total	\$123.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Duncan, C. W.	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 07-03500 Bill # 3912	Total	\$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Elliott, William	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 07-005145 Bill # 4779	Total	\$210.00

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Ellis, Robert Heirs	Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 13-12120 Bill # 4849	Total	\$192.50

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

Release the User Fee	in the name of Evans, Timothy	Amount:	\$0.00
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Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09--00432	Bill # 5278	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up in 2008.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Farag, Magdy			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 15-05734	Bill # 5479	Total	\$52.50
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Floyd, Mary			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03--02104	Bill # 6214	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Flynn, Floyd			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 14-14000	Bill # 6278	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can removed.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Freeman, Jason			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 04-03602	Bill # 7067	Total	\$70.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Garrell, Kenneth			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 04-05640	Bill # 7645	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and there is no trash can here.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Garver, James			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 15-02801	Bill # 7692	Total	\$70.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Gause, Dortha			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 12-05736	Bill # 7761	Total	\$175.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of George, Mary			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 12-09265	Bill # 7968	Total	\$70.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of George, Richard			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 14-05780	Bill # 7989	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Goff, Linda			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 15-04902	Bill # 8528	Total	\$70.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Gore Trailer MFG			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-08800	Bill # 9277	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Gore, Daniel			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-08940	Bill # 8741	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Gore, Daniel			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-08760	Bill # 8740	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Gore, Lucille			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 06-14900	Bill # 9074	Total	\$210.00
Release one of two user fee. One house is vacant and trash can picked up.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Grooms, Hughson			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 11-00008	Bill # 0422	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hayes, Dorothy			Amount:	\$0.00

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Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 16-07704	Bill # 1637	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Herring, Diane				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 16-04431	Bill # 2167	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Hinson, Brenda				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-13901	Bill # 2797	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jenrette, Hilda				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-05649	Bill # 5002	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jewell, Jeffrey				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-04113	Bill # 5095	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jolly, Mike				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 12-13688	Bill # 5460	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Jones, Eunice				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 14-05581	Bill # 5571	Total	\$210.00
Release one of two user fees. The house is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Kelly, Larry				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 15-22190	Bill # 6121	Total	\$210.00
Release one of two user fees. One house is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Kemmerer, Jo Marilyn				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 06-00448	Bill # 6148	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Last Chance RV Park				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 11-03654	Bill # 6880	Total	\$210.00
Release user fee. Customer using a commercial hauler.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Lawson, Candice				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 12-01516	Bill # 6929	Total	\$70.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Long, Allene				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-01517	Bill # 7916	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Long, H. Roscoe				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-14090	Bill # 8057	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Long, H.J.				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-14020	Bill # 8056	Total	\$105.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Lowery, Christine				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 16-10360	Bill # 8452	Total	\$210.00
Release one of two user fees. One house is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of McCants, Lisa				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-04214	Bill # 9478	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of McDuffie, Robert				Amount:	\$0.00

Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 13-02754	Bill # 9817	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of McKelvie, John			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 15-24962	Bill # 0001	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of McPherson, Harold			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-00224	Bill # 0592	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and trash can picked up.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of McPherson, J.H.			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-02553	Bill # 0625	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of McPherson, James W.			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-04218	Bill # 0643	Total	\$87.50
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Milligan, Melissa			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-04135	Bill # 1432	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Mills, Michael			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 08-12580	Bill # 1507	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Nance, Kenneth			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2008/0	Account # 13-01223	Bill # 9999	Total	\$410.00
Release the user fee for 2008 and 2009. Mobile home is vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Norris, Christopher			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-02439	Bill # 3419	Total	\$122.50
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Norton, Annie			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 16-12045	Bill # 3683	Total	\$105.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Oasis Storage LLC			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03--01038	Bill # 3800	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Old store vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Page, Mark			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 05-01614	Bill # 4022	Total	\$87.50
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Peterson, Charles			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 15-29463	Bill # 4622	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Pittman, Lola			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 12-00235	Bill # 5050	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Piver, Brenda			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 07--05821	Bill # 5063	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home is used for storage. No trash can here.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Pope, James			Amount:	\$0.00
Value: \$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 11-20722	Bill # 5238	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.					
Release the User Fee	in the name of Powell, Sammy			Amount:	\$0.00

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Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 06-29581	Bill # 5668	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Mobile home is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Prince, Hurshel				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 01-74060	Bill # 6237	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Customer is using a commercial hauler.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Quarles, Eugene				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008	Account # 01-03819	Bill # 80200	Total	\$87.50
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Rabon, E. L. Heirs				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 13-33840	Bill # 6450	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. Old shop is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Renfrow, Larry				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 11-04662	Bill # 7194	Total	\$210.00
Released the user fee. Camper is in a RV park with commercial hauler.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Robinson, Eddie				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 14-00945	Bill # 7609	Total	\$192.50
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Rogers, Geraldine				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 06-02728	Bill # 7743	Total	\$123.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Sibbett, James				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 07-14418	Bill # 9714	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Simmons, Bruce				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-26198	Bill # 9776	Total	\$210.00
Release one of two user fees. One house is vacant with no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Simmons, K.M.				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-04412	Bill # 9890	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee on a house that is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Smith, Blanche				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 13-05134	Bill # 0490	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee on a house that is vacant and trash can has been picked up.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Smith, George				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 09-27200	Bill # 0689	Total	\$420.00
Release two user fees. Both mobile homes are vacant and have no trash cans.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Spaulding, John				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 14-15600	Bill # 1775	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and has no trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Stephens, Genevieve				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 03-24025	Bill # 2672	Total	\$210.00
Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Strickland, Betty				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2009	Account # 12-00457	Bill # 3147	Total	\$105.00
Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Thurman, Lucille				Amount:	\$0.00
Value:	\$0.00	Year: 2008/0	Account # 11-27737	Bill # 9999	Total	\$410.00
Release the user fee for 2008 and 2009. The house is vacant and does not have a trash can.						
Release the User Fee	in the name of Waccamaw Storage Inc.				Amount:	\$0.00

Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 08-19633 Bill # 5920 Total \$420.00  
 Release both user fees. These are storage buildings. No trash cans here.

Release the User Fee in the name of wachovia Bank NA Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-01224 Bill # 5940 Total \$140.00  
 Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Walker, James Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 12-28160 Bill # 6174 Total \$210.00  
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ward, Jackie Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 07-02561 Bill # 6761 Total \$87.50  
 Release a portion of the user fee. Did not have the trash can for a full year.

Release the User Fee in the name of Ward, Mary Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 11-28780 Bill # 6914 Total \$210.00  
 Release the user fee. House vacant and trash can picked up.

Release the User Fee in the name of White, Sameul Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 04-02429 Bill # 8195 Total \$123.00  
 Release the user fee. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Williams, William Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03-29580 Bill # 8870 Total \$210.00  
 Release the user fee. Shop is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wilson, Herbert Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 10-18860 Bill # 9432 Total \$210.00  
 Release one of two user fees. House is vacant and does not have a trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Woodford Plantation LLC Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 15-05618 Bill # 9623 Total \$210.00  
 Release the user fee. There is no trash can here.

Release the User Fee in the name of Woody, Debra Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 09-03913 Bill # 9635 Total \$210.00  
 Release the user fee. House vacant, unlivable and has no trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wright, Patricia Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 01-05992 Bill # 9999 Total \$630.00  
 Release three user fees. All three houses are vacant and have no trash cans.

Release the User Fee in the name of Wright, Patricia Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 03-00022 Bill # 0050 Total \$210.00  
 Release one of two user fees. One house is vacant and has no trash can.

Release the User Fee in the name of Young, Oran Amount: \$0.00  
 Value: \$0.00 Year: 2009 Account # 05-08103 Bill # 0329 Total \$210.00  
 Release the user fee. House is vacant, unlivable and has no trash can.

**C. Budget Amendments:**

Vice Chairman Bullard made a motion to approve the following Budget Amendments, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

TYPE	ACCOUNT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
<b>Expenditures</b>	10-4155-512100	Salary & Wages	42,432
	10-4155-518100	FICA	3,247
	10-4155-519000	Professional Services	1,000
	10-4155-522000	Food & Provisions	3,000

	10-4155-526000	Office Supplies	2,000
	10-4155-531100	Travel	5,000
	10-4155-532000	Communications	1,200
	10-4155-534000	Printing & Binding	555
	10-4155-539000	Other Services	2,500
	10-4155-545000	Insurance and Bonding	1,050
	10-4155-551000	C/O Office Equipment	600
	10-4155-549900	Miscellaneous Expenses	624
<b>Revenues</b>	10-3416-436025	NC JCPC Grant	62,584
	10-3416-489040	Miscellaneous	624
<b>Expenditures</b>	10-5301-549987	Share the Warmth	19
	10-5301-533001	CP&L Energy	(589)
<b>Revenue</b>	10-3530-430077	Share the Warmth	19
	10-3530-430076	CP&L Energy	(589)
<b>Expenditure</b>	10-4310-535300	M&R Equipment	1,944
<b>Revenue</b>	10-3431-489000	General Fund Balance	1,944

**Agenda Item #22: COMMENTS:**

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

**A. Department Heads:**

1. **Ed Worley, Department of Aging:** stated the following:
  - A. Our budget is \$5,000,000.00 that we operate with;
  - B. The Home Care and Community Block Grant, and the other related grants received by the Department of Aging, comes through the Cape Fear Council of Governments; **and**
  - C. Out of seven hundred thousand, and 00/100 (\$700,000.00) dollars, there was only seven and 00/100 (\$7.00) dollars left on the table.
2. **Kip McClary, Public Utilities:** stated the following:
  - A. The Public Utilities Department has received a written request for a water connection from the Adventist Church and School on Highway 701 South for County water;
  - B. Our nearest water line is approximately eight thousand (8,000') feet from there at the Timesaver at New Hope; **and**
  - C. We will be canvassing the area in the next week or two to see who else may be interested in water connections there before we bring this to the Board for a decision.

After discussion was conducted relative to the feasibility of this request, and the possibility that residents in the Southwood Development might start utilizing the County water, it was the general consensus of the Board for Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, to work up the cost of doing this and bring the amount back to the Board.

**B. Board of Commissioners:**

1. **Commissioner Russ:** stated the following:
  - a. The March of Dimes will have a yard sale on September 19, 2009 from 6:30 A.M. until 12:00 Noon;
  - b. The March of Dimes Walk will be on September 26, 2009; **and**
  - c. Lake Waccamaw was a busy place during the Labor Day weekend.

2. **Commissioner McKenzie:** stated the following:
  - a. I would like to say thanks to the citizens of Columbus County for the trip to Hickory, North Carolina;
  - b. We have not received any complaints from the Department of Social Services, and that means Ms. Joan Stephens is doing a good job;
  - c. I would like to thank Ed Worley, Aging Director, for the fine job he is doing, and continues to do for the senior citizens in Columbus County;
  - d. I would like to welcome Tony Soles on board as our new Maintenance Director; **and**
  - e. Mr. Lewis Hatcher - I saw a good friend of yours and he told me to tell you hello.
  
3. **Chairman Prevatte:** stated the following:
  - A. NCACC Annual Conference:
    - Three (3) County representatives attended the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Annual Conference in Hickory, North Carolina and they were William S. Clark, County Manager, Commissioner Amon E. McKenzie and myself;
    - The conference was broken down into three (3) strains which were Finance, Economic Development and Environment;
    - Mr. Clark attended the Finance part, Commissioner McKenzie attended the Economic Development part, and I attended the Environment part;
    - I discovered that the whole state is facing some recycling issues;
    - The second Vice President that was elected is from Cumberland County;
    - I have Power Point slides I can share on this material;
  - B. I would like for this Board to reconsider the policy we have on the water billing method we are using when a leak occurs; **and**

**MOTION:**

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to ask William Clark, Columbus County Manager, to work with the Public Utilities Department to change the policy on the water billing method when leaks occur, seconded by Commissioner Russ. The motion unanimously passed.

- C. We need to set another Personnel Policy Workshop.

After a brief discussion, it was the general consensus of the Board members to establish the next Personnel Policy Manual Workshop for Monday, September 14, 2009, at 6:30 P.M.

- D. **County Attorney (Mike Stephens):** stated we have received a response on the re-districting issue, from W. Earl Britt, Senior U.S. District Judge, in the matter of Charles R. Ward, et al., Plaintiffs, -vs- Columbus County, North Carolina, et al., Defendants, and Helen Gamble, et al., Intervening Defendants, which is made up of three (3) parts as follows:
  1. The Defendant Columbus County, North Carolina will shift 423 people from District 2 to District 4, resulting in an overall deviation of 9.25%;
  2. The modified plan, to which Defendant Columbus County, North Carolina and Plaintiffs agreed on 6 October 2008, will be used for the 2010 elections; **and**
  3. The modified plan will be re-examined following receipt of the 2010 Census data and every ten (10) years thereafter.

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

At 7:49 P.M., Commissioner Norris made a motion to recess Regular Session and enter into Closed Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (6) Personnel, after a five (5) minute recess, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #23: CLOSED SESSION in ACCORDANCE with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (6) PERSONNEL:**

No official action was taken.

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

At 8:12 P.M., Vice Chairman Bullard made a motion to adjourn Closed Session and resume Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

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

Chairman Prevatte requested that Mike Stephens, County Attorney, orally read the Closed Session General Account. Mr. Stephens orally read the following:

*“The Board discussed the evaluation of Terri Martin, Assistant County Attorney, and shared the results with her.”*

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to approve the Closed Session General Account, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

**Agenda Item #24: ADJOURNMENT:**

At 8:13 P.M., Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Gore. The motion unanimously passed.

**APPROVED:**

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

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**JAMES E. PREVATTE, Chairman**

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V**  
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**Tuesday, September 08, 2009**  
**7:13 P.M.**

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**APPOINTEE ABSENT:**

William S. Clark, **County Manager**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

At 7:13 P.M., Chairman Prevatte called the Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V **Combination** Board Meeting to order.

**Agenda Item #18: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICTS I, II, III, IV and V - APPROVAL of BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

August 17, 2009 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting (**5 sets**)

Commissioner Gore made a motion to approve the August 17, 2009 **Combination Meeting** of Columbus County Water and Sewer Districts I, II, III, IV and V Board Meeting, seconded by Vice Chairman Bullard. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:21 P.M., Vice Chairman Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

**APPROVED:**

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**Agenda Item #19: COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER and SEWER DISTRICT IV - APPROVAL of ENGINEER CONTRACT MILEAGE CHANGE with BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

Kip McClary, Public Utilities Director, requested Board Approval of the change in contract mileage reimbursement from \$ .505 per mile to \$ .55 per mile.

Discussion was conducted relative to the following:

1. Both parties to the contract did agree on \$ .505 mileage reimbursement when the contract was signed;
2. The State increasing the mileage reimbursement has no bearing on the contracted amount;  
**and**

3. There is no justification in changing contracted amounts which could lead to future problems.

Commissioner Gore made a motion to leave the mileage reimbursement at the contracted amount of \$ .505, seconded by Commissioner Byrd. The motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:21 P.M., Vice Chairman Bullard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Norris. The motion unanimously passed.

**APPROVED:**

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

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