

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
APRIL 2, 1973

The Board of Rowan County Commissioners met in a Regular Session in the Community Building, Salisbury, North Carolina at 9 a.m. The following members were present: Chairman Eugene McCombs, Lewis Sowers, Rufus Honeycutt, Charlie Walters, and Dick Messinger.

Chairman McCombs called the meeting to order and Mr. Messinger opened with prayer. Upon a motion by Mr. Messinger, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt, the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 1973, were unanimously approved.

The following road petitions were unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Walters:

- Vanderburg Road – paving
- Morgan Road – addition to the system
- Foster Road – paving
- Patterson Road – road sign

Glenn Trexler, Tax Collector, reported the collections received for March, 1973 were \$88,034.22.

Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Walters, Mr. Trexler was authorized to renew beer and wine licenses and to collect taxes on beer and wine permits.

Mr. Honeycutt moved that June 4, 1973, be set as the date for the tax lien sale. Mr. Walters seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Jack Errante was unanimously appointed to the Rowan County Housing Authority upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Messinger.

Upon a motion by Mr. Messinger, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt, an election contract with the Town of Faith was unanimously approved. (attached)

Bob Miller, Jim Monroe, and Mike Wilkenson presented to the Commissioners a project for collecting junked cars throughout the County. Upon locating the cars, they will have a release signed transferring ownership of the vehicle to the Jaycees. The cars will then be picked up and taken to L. Gordon & Son Iron & Metal Company in Statesville. Upon a motion by Mr. Sowers, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt, the Commissioners unanimously voted to support this project.

Doug Tennent, Architect, presented the plans for the North Kannapolis Jail project. He said he will advertise for bids next week and that bids will be opened on May 3, at 2:30 p.m. in the office of the County Manager.

Mr. Tennent also reported on the moveable furniture at the new Mental Health Center. The contract proved for a \$176 mirror and a \$90 table which could not be obtained. He asked that this money be used toward the purchase of a pharmacy cabinet, which would cost about \$270. Mr. Walters moved that up to \$20 additional be spent out of the regular equipment account for this cabinet. Mr. Honeycutt seconded the motion it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Messinger said he would attend the PAC conference to be held April 12, 1973.

MR. Sowers moved that the Commissioners oppose House Bill No. 971 concerning the diversion of water for public water supply. Mr. Messinger seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Chairman McCombs said he had received letters from Senator Sam Ervin and Congressman Ruth concerning correspondence sent to them by the Commissioners about specific legislation. They said they would consider this correspondence when the legislation came before them.

The interest received through March 21, 1973, is as follows:

General Fund	\$54,947.96
School Fund	32,171.12
School Building	47,362.85
Debt Service	4,842.95
Revenue Sharing	<u>4,116.48</u>
Total	\$143,441.36

Mr. Walters moved that the land transfer with the County schools be approved according to the proposal submitted on March 14, 1973. Mr. Messinger seconded the motion, and it was approved upon a four to one vote. Mr. Sowers voted against the transfer.

The County Schools requested that the money from the sale of the Dukeville School property be put into their Capital Outlay account so that it can be used on the Spencer Elementary School. Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Messinger, this request was unanimously approved.

Mr. Walters reported that the Department of Social Services had requested the use of the old nurses residence at the hospital for additional office space. Rowan Memorial Hospital has given its approval. Upon a motion by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Sowers, the commissioners approved this request contingent upon the approval of the property committee.

Mr. Sowers moved that \$545 from contingencies be used to tear down the Gantt house and remove the debris. Mr. Walters seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

A statement was received from the County Attorney for services rendered in the purchase of the Gantt property. Upon a motion by Mr. Sowers, seconded by Mr. Walters, payment of this settlement, \$151.30, from contingencies was unanimously approved.

According to Chapter 53 of the State Statutes of 1973, House Bill No. 194, Veterans Day has been changed from the fourth Monday in October to November 11.

A new truck will be needed for the Dog Pound as Mr. Foster, presently using his own truck, will soon retire. The following bids have been received:

Aaron Chevrolet	\$2,349.22
City Motor Company	\$2,450.00
Fowler Motor Company	\$2,425.00

Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Walters, the bid went to Aaron Chevrolet with the money to come from the Revenue Sharing funds of the landfill.

A letter was received from the Mayor's Committee on Developmental Disabilities asking for a letter supporting a transportation project for the developmentally disabled. Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Sowers, a letter supporting this project will be sent to this committee.

Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Sowers, the following refunds were unanimously approved:

Junior R. Keller	- \$6.15
Luther Williams	- \$10
Willie Helms, Jr.	\$10.00

The following resignation and promotions were unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt:

Sharon Ennis – promoted to Administrative Assistant effective one month prior to the resignation of Lois Teeter \$7,500/year

ReVonda Nance promoted to Stenographer II \$5,220/year

Patricia Myers, resignation effective April 15, 1973

The following new personnel were unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt:

Karen M. Griffith, Social Worker \$654/hour

ReVonda E. Nance, Stenographer \$380/month

Henry Thompson, Dispatcher \$503/month

Floyd D. Long, Jr. Deputy \$503/month

Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Sowers the bid of Coleman Envelope was unanimously accepted.

Mr. Peeler reported that Mrs. Eva Mae Jordan of his office is retiring April 30, 1973, after 38 years of service to the County. The Courthouse employees plan to give her a reception on April 27, 1973 at 2 p.m. Mr. Peeler invited the Commissioners to attend. Chairman McCombs said they were welcome to use the Commissioners Meeting Room for the reception.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Ribelin, Clerk