

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADJOURNED SESSION
NOVEMBER 19, 1973

The Board of Rowan County Commissioners met in an Adjourned Session in the Community Building, Salisbury, North Carolina, at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present: Chairman Eugene McCombs, Rufus Honeycutt, Dick Messinger, Lewis Sowers, and Charlie Walters.

Chairman McCombs called the meeting to order.

Wallace Peeler, Tax Supervisor, reported that progress is being made in mailing out revaluation notices. About 25,000 notices have been sent out so far.

Mr. Peeler also said a representative of the State Board of Assessments was well pleased with the job we have received from Cole-Layer-Trumble on our revaluation. He said we have more information than any other county he has seen. He thinks Rowan County has an almost perfect revaluation.

A letter was received from the Governor's Energy Panel asking that someone from Rowan County be appointed as a coordinator between local and State governments concerning the fuel and energy crisis. He would serve as a local contact and assist in early resolution of any shortage. He would also receive guidelines and instructions giving him the information required to assist citizens and businesses in Rowan County. It was suggested that the Civil Defense Director be appointed to this position.

Upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Messinger, Leslie M. Lee was unanimously appointed to serve as coordinator for the Governor's Energy Panel.

A letter was received from Joseph C. Seymore, Chief of Recreation at the VA Hospital, thanking the staff of Dan Nicholas Park for their helpful and courteous assistance with the patients that visited the park this past summer.

Letters were received from Senator Harold W. Hardison and Ronald Aycokk thanking the Commissioners and staff for their hospitality during the Senate Study Committee hearing held in the Red Room on November 9.

Upon a motion by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt, Ethel Clifton of Salisbury was unanimously appointed to the Rowan County Advisory Board of the Mental Health Clinic.

The following refunds were unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Messinger, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt:

Earl Ballard - \$10.00

Thomas E. Hoffner - \$5.00

Upon a motion by Mr. Sowers, seconded by Mr. Messinger, Julius Waggoner was unanimously appointed to the Rowan County Housing Authority.

The following road petition was unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Honeycutt, seconded by Mr. Sowers:

Springdale Avenue – addition to the system.

The Rowan County School Board asked that they be allowed to transfer funds within their overall allotment to be applied to their building projects as far as the money will go. They plan to use money from the State School Bond funds for the balance.

They also asked for a letter of intent to purchase land for anew school in the Kizer-Patterson area as school bond funds cannot be used to purchased land.

Upon a motion by Mr. Sowers, seconded by Mr. Honeycutt, it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$63,367 from the Balance-to-be-designated account to the School Board, \$40,000 for the purchase of land and \$23,367 for the West Rowan Junior High School and Erwin Junior High School projects.

Mr. Honeycutt reported that he had been in contact with Bill Mills concerning Mr. Messinger's recommendation. Mr. Mills said his personnel are to begin classes in January at Rowan Tech to acquire certification. He also said his books are open for examination at any time.

Mr. Messinger made a motion that \$500 be appropriated from Contingencies to audit Mr. Mills' books, and that Mr. Mills be paid \$1,600 each month for four months, beginning November 1, also to come from contingencies. If his personnel have been certified by the end of February, this matter will be taken up again at the March meeting. Mr. Walters seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela M. Ribelin, clerk