

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF
ROWAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADJOURNED SESSIONS
MAY 10, 11, 12, 13 & 17, 1976

The Board of Rowan County Commissioners met in Adjourned Sessions in the Community Building, Salisbury, North Carolina, at 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 11, 12 & 13 and at 7:30 p.m. on May 17, 1976.

The Meetings were called to order for the purpose of holding budget hearings for the 1976-77 budget.

The following members were present at the May 10 meeting: Chairman Rufus Honeycutt, Eugene McCombs, Charlie Walters, Hall Steele and Bob Mauldin.

The following departments were heard:

Sheriff's Dept.	John Stirewalt Ed Haupt Sara Potts
Board of Elections	Dick Hardesty Marjorie DeBerry
Civil Preparedness	Leslie Lee
IBM	Jim Sides
Agriculture Extension	Rowe McNeely

Mr. Steele moved to approve the Department of Social Services proposed 76-77 budget with the following reductions:

	<u>Original Request</u>	<u>Revised</u>
ADC	\$223,014	\$212,877
Boarding Home	167,100	153,300
Aid to Blind	13,798	12,798

Mr. Walters seconded this motion with unanimous approval. (attached)

Seth Murdoch, County Manager, read a letter addressed to Chairman Honeycutt from Fred Corriher, Superintendent of Terminals, inviting the Commissioners to participate in the events commemorating the official opening of the Landis Depot Museum on May 14 at 10:00 a.m.

A list of refunds for South Salisbury Fire District for people that paid taxes in 1975 and were taken out of the fire district when the lines were changed was presented. (attached)

Mr. Steele moved to approve these refunds and Mr. Mauldin seconded. Chairman Honeycutt, Hall Steele, R.L. Mauldin and Charlie Walters voted in favor of this motion. Eugene McCombs abstained from voting.

A signed petition from Ruth's Bible Class of Enon Baptist Church, expresses their concern of the effect night clubs and lounges have on the morals of the people, especially the young people, and request that these places be eliminated. Chairman Honeycutt said this would be taken as a matter of information and the Board would be happy to do this, but it is not within their power.

A motion was made by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. McCombs for the adoption of a resolution requesting the Board of Transportation to install parking pavement markings and signs at the new parking lot at the entrance to Dan Nicholas Park and upon being put to a vote, was duly adopted. (attached)

Chairman Honeycutt, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Walters, Mr. Steele and Mr. Mauldin attended the May 11 meeting. The following departments were heard:

Veterans Service	Robert Wolff
Watershed Commission	Dick Reamer
	Carl Sloop
Tax Collector	Glenn Trexler
Register of Deeds	Jean Ramsey
Health Dept.	Bert Hawley
Mental Health	Larry Parrish

Mrs. Ramsey reported that the American Bar Association is proposing a Land Transaction Act which will do away with a notary seal on any recorded document and also calls for a State Registry. Mrs. Ramsey said it did not specify whether this position would be controlled by the state or under the county. She is in hopes the Board will not support this Act.

Chairman Honeycutt, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Walters, Mr. Steele and Mr. Mauldin attend the May 12 meeting.

The following departments were heard:

Rowan Tech	Merrell Hamilton
	Bill Murdoch
	Ronald Bostian
Planning Board	Ray Hayworth
Tax Supervisor	Wallace Peeler
Parks & Recreation	Jim Foltz

	Bob Brunson
	Jake Fisher
Rescue Squad	E. T. Rary
Fire Marshall	Bob Gunn
Sanitation Dept.	Harold Watson

Chairman Honeycutt, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Walters, Mr. Steele and Mr. Mauldin attended the May 13 meeting:

The following departments were heard:

County Schools	Wade Mobley
	David Knox
	Lamar Trexler
Rowan Library	Steve Benetz
	Bill Roberts
Building Inspection	Hurley Bowers
Electrical Inspection	Craige Trexler
County Buildings	Seth Mull
County Manager	Seth Murdoch

Other budgets discussed were:

- Coroner
- County Aid
- County Commissioners
- General & Administrative
- Airport
- CETA Title II
- Contributions to Other Funds
- Revenue Sharing Trust Funds

Under County Aid, line item 3685, Army Aviation Flight Facility, Mr. McCombs moved to delete this budget number. Mr. Mauldin seconded with unanimous approval.

After further discussion, Mr. McCombs moved to allot the Army Aviation Flight Facility \$520, which is the same amount as received by the National Guard. Mr. Steele seconded and all were in agreement.

Chairman Honeycutt, Mr. McCombs, Mr. Walters, Mr. Steele and Mr. Mauldin were present at the May 17 meeting.

Mr. Murdoch reminded the Commissioners that they need to get their reservations sent in if they plan on attending the NACo Annual Conference June 26-July 1, 1976, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Stamey Carter, CPA with Sherrill & Smith, said he and Mr. Murdoch had went over the proposed 76-77 budget for Rowan County and cut it approximately \$1,084,000.

Mr. McCombs made a motion to pay the chairman and board members of the Board of Elections \$15.00 per day per member for all meetings in excess of 24 per year. Mr. Mauldin seconded with unanimous approval.

Mr. Mauldin moved to delete the secretary and part-time inspector from the County Fire Marshal's proposed budget. Mr. Steele seconded and all were in agreement.

A suggestion made by both Mr. Mauldin and Mr. Walters concerning the tying in of the Rowan Public Library with the County School System was discussed.

On behalf of the Fireman's Association, Mr. Steele presented a request for a contract between the Fireman's Association and Mobile Radio Service in Salisbury on the basis of \$5.00 per unit and per base station which would increase the request of line item 3642, Fire Department Radio Service, under County Aid to \$7,200. Mr. Walters seconded this request. Mr. Steele, Mr. Walters and Chairman Honeycutt voted in favor of this motion. Mr. McCombs and Mr. Mauldin were in opposition.

Mr. McCombs made a motion to approve \$500 plus 10 pagers for a total of \$3,480 for line item 3698, Rowan Rescue Squad, under County Aid. These pagers are to be used by members of the Rowan Rescue Squad but will remain the property of Rowan County. Mr. Mauldin seconded with unanimous approval.

Stamey Carter said the School Office was interested in hiring a finance officer and if they were funded in this position, he would recommend that someone with accounting experience be employed.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Glenda Earnhardt, Clerk