

April 2, 2001

The Johnston County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, April 2, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Johnston County Courthouse Annex, Smithfield, North Carolina, with the following members present:

Present: James H. Langdon, Jr., Cookie Pope, Thomas M. Moore, Wade M. Stewart, Allen L. Mims, Jr., Fred J. Smith, and W. Ray Woodall (Commissioner Woodall was excused at approximately 11:00 a.m.)

Absent: None

Also Present: Rick J. Hester, County Manager, Joyce H. Ennis, Clerk to the Board, Mark Payne, County Attorney, and John R. Massey, Finance Officer

1. Minutes - March 5, 12, 2001 Meetings

Chairman James H. Langdon, Jr. asked if there were corrections to the minutes of the March 5, 12, 2001 board meetings. Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Ray Woodall and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the minutes as presented.

2. New Tax Administrator Welcomed to Johnston County

The Chairman welcomed Pat Goddard, new Tax Administrator, to Johnston County and noted the Board looks forward to working with her.

3. Clerk Recognized

The Chairman congratulated the Clerk for having been selected as Outstanding Clerk of the Year by the N. C. Association of County Clerks to Commissioners.

Public Comment

4. Public Complaint - Tax Issue

Gerald Creech, who lives on NC 39 north of Emit, spoke to the Board concerning an issue he has with the Tax Department concerning back taxes owed on equipment in his hog houses. Mr. Creech stated he was of the opinion the equipment was included in the valuation of the building and, therefore, has not listed the equipment for several years. The Board suggested Mr. Creech meet with Pat Goddard, Tax Administrator, on this matter.

5. Department of Transportation - Additions to System

The Board reviewed a petition presented by the North Carolina Department of Transportation requesting the following roads be added to the State Secondary System for maintenance:

Wiltshire Drive and Woverton Drive in Windsor Green Estates Subdivision, Clayton Township.
Academy Lane in Academy Place Subdivision, Cleveland Township.

Following review, Commissioner Cookie Pope moved the Board concur with the NC Department of Transportation's request to add the roads listed above to the State Maintained System. Commissioner W. Ray Woodall seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

6. Relocation of Graves

The Board considered the following requests for Board approval for the relocation of graves due to proposed construction projects:

- A) Request from the North Carolina Department of Transportation for approval to disinter approximately 10 to 16 graves from property owned by Carolina Packers for the US 70 Clayton Bypass project. The graves, which are in the proposed right of way, would be re-interred at a local cemetery or burial ground.

- B) Request from the Board of Education for approval to move approximately 10 graves, which have been discovered on the new Four Oaks School site where the new building is proposed. These graves would be moved to another site on the property.

Following discussion, Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. moved the Board approve the request from the North Carolina Department of Transportation to relocate approximately 10 to 16 graves that have been found in the proposed right of way for the US 70 Clayton Bypass project to a local cemetery, and also approve the request from the Board of Education to move approximately 10 graves from the construction site for the new Four Oaks School to another location on the same property, subject to compliance with NCGS§ 65-13G. Commissioner Thomas M. Moore seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

7. Public Hearing 10:15 a.m. - Proposed Issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds

Economic Development Director, Mike deSherbinin stated the Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Financing Authority met with the Walthom Group in June of last year and entered into an agreement for financing on the Environ Project. There is no liability to the County under this financing; the debtor has provided a stand-alone letter of credit for the amount of the loan.

There being no public comments, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

8. Resolution - Industrial Revenue Bonds - Environ Project

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart introduced the following resolution, the title of which was read:

APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE OF INDUSTRIAL PROJECT FOR THE WALTHOM GROUP VI, L.L.P. AND THE FINANCING THEREOF WITH INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$6,500,000

WHEREAS, the Johnston County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority (the "Authority") has agreed to assist in the financing under the North Carolina Industrial and Pollution Control Facilities Financing Act (the "Act") of an industrial project by the Walthom Group VI, L.L.P. or an affiliated company (the "Developer"), for the acquisition, construction and equipping of an approximately 191,000 square foot manufacturing facility to be located on a 17 acre site in the North Aviation Industrial Park at the intersection of Business Highway 70 West and Swift Creek Road in Smithfield, North Carolina, Johnston County (the "Project"), which will be leased to Environ Products Inc. (the "Lessee") and used for the manufacture of service station equipment, and has indicated that agreement by the execution of an Inducement Agreement between the parties dated June 5, 2000; and

WHEREAS, under G.S. § 159C-7 each project must be approved by the Secretary of the Department of Commerce and, under Article 51B of Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Federal Tax Reform Allocation Committee must allocate a sufficient amount of North Carolina's "volume cap", as defined in Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") to the financing; and

WHEREAS, the Rules and Procedures of the North Carolina Department of Commerce require that the governing body of a county approve in principle any project to be financed under the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has today held a public hearing with respect to the advisability of the Project and the issuance of bonds therefor, as evidenced by the Certificate and Summary of Public Hearing attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, section 147(f) of the Code requires that the Board of Commissioners approve the plan of financing for the bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Authority intends to issue its Industrial Development Revenue Bonds (Walthom Group VI, L.L.P. Project), Series 2001 (the "Bonds") in the principal amount of \$6,500,000 which will be secured by a letter of credit issued by a United States bank; and

WHEREAS, under Section 159C-4 of the Act the issuance of bonds under the Act must be approved by the governing body of the county in which the project to be financed under the Act is located;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Johnston County, meeting in regular session at Smithfield, North Carolina, on April 2, 2001, does the following:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR JOHNSTON COUNTY:

1. The proposed "industrial project" consisting of the acquisition, construction and equipping of an approximately 191,000 square foot manufacturing facility (the "Project"), located on a 17 acre site in the North Aviation Industrial Park at the intersection of Business Highway 70 West and Swift Creek Road in Smithfield, North Carolina, Johnston County and the issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 therefor are hereby approved in principle.

2. The Board of Commissioners hereby requests the North Carolina Federal Tax Reform Allocation Committee to allocate up to \$6,500,000 of North Carolina’s 2001 “volume cap”, as defined above for the financing of the Project.

3. The Board of Commissioners hereby approves the plan of financing as required by Section 147(f) of the Code.

4. The issuance of the Bonds in the principal amount of \$6,500,000 is hereby approved for purposes of Section 159C-4 of the Act.

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart moved the passage of the foregoing resolution and Commissioner Cookie Pope seconded the motion, and the resolution was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: James H. Langdon, Jr., Cookie Pope, Thomas M. Moore, Allen L. Mims, Jr., Wade M. Stewart, W. Ray Woodall and Fred Smith.

Nays: None

9. Final Resolution - Princeton/Kenly Water District

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner W. Ray Woodall and carried by unanimous vote, the Board recessed regular session to sit as the Princeton/Kenly Water District Board.

The following resolution was discussed and its title was read:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS SERIES 2001A IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,138,000 AND GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BONDS SERIES 2001B IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$592,000

WHEREAS, the Bond Order hereinafter described was authorized and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Johnston County (the “Board”), acting as the governing body of the Princeton-Kenly Water District of Johnston County (the “District”) on June 8, 1998, and approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the District voting thereon at a referendum held on August 4, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to provide for the issuance of \$2,138,000 Water Bonds, Series 2001A (the “Series 2001A Bonds”) and \$592,000 Water Bonds, Series 2001B (the “Series 2001B Bonds”) (collectively, the “Bonds”) to refund \$2,730,000 Water Bond Anticipation Notes previously issued pursuant to said Bond Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Johnston County, acting as the governing body of the Princeton-Kenly Water District of Johnston County, meeting in regular session in Smithfield, North Carolina, on April 2, 2001, does the following:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR JOHNSTON COUNTY, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE PRINCETON-KENLY WATER DISTRICT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA:

1. The District shall issue its general obligation water bonds in an aggregate principal amount of \$2,730,000 pursuant to and in accordance with the Bond Order entitled:

BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE PRINCETON/KENLY WATER DISTRICT IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,300,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING, IN PART, THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A WATER SYSTEM IN THE DISTRICT

2. The Bonds will be designated “Water Bonds” and shall be dated April 2, 2001. The Series 2001A Bonds shall mature in annual installments on June 1 in years and amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2003	\$24,000	2016	\$41,000	2029	\$72,000
2004	24,500	2017	43,000	2030	75,000
2005	25,500	2018	45,000	2031	78,500
2006	27,000	2019	47,000	2032	82,000
2007	28,000	2020	49,000	2033	85,500
2008	29,000	2021	51,000	2034	89,000
2009	30,500	2022	53,500	2035	93,000
2010	31,500	2023	55,500	2036	96,000
2011	33,000	2024	58,000	2037	96,000
2012	34,500	2025	60,500	2038	96,000
2013	36,000	2026	63,000	2039	96,000
2014	37,500	2027	66,000	2040	77,500
2015	39,000	2028	69,000		

The Series 2001B Bonds shall mature in annual installments on June 1 in years and amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2003	\$6,500	2016	\$11,500	2029	\$21,000
2004	6,500	2017	12,000	2030	22,000
2005	7,000	2018	12,500	2031	23,000
2006	7,000	2019	13,000	2032	24,000
2007	7,500	2020	13,500	2033	25,000
2008	8,000	2021	14,000	2034	26,000
2009	8,000	2022	15,000	2035	26,000
2010	8,500	2023	15,500	2036	26,000
2011	9,000	2024	16,500	2037	26,000
2012	9,500	2025	17,500	2038	26,000
2013	10,000	2026	18,000	2039	26,000
2014	10,500	2027	19,000	2040	14,000
2015	11,000	2028	20,000		

The Bonds shall bear interest at a rate of 4.75% payable on June 1, 2001, and annually on each June 1 thereafter; provided if the Bonds are not held by the United States of America, interest will be payable on each June 1 and December 1.

The Bonds are issuable in fully registered form in the denomination of \$500 or any integral multiple thereof. Interest on the Bonds will be payable to the person appearing on the registration books of the District as the registered owner at the close of business on the record date for such interest, which shall be the 15th day (whether or not a business day) of the calendar month next preceding such interest payment date, by check mailed to the registered owner at his address as it appears, provided if payable to the United States of America, at such address as may be designated by the United States of America. During such time as the Bonds are held by the United States of America, the Bonds will not be defeased without the written consent of the United States of America. Initially, one fully registered bond without coupons will be issued, exchangeable within 90 days after notice for bonds of a like aggregate principal amount in authorized denominations. During any period the Bonds are not held by the United States of America, interest and principal thereon shall be payable at First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, North Carolina.

3. The Bonds will be subject to redemption, at the option of the District, at any time at the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, together with interest accrued thereon to the date fixed for redemption, but without any premium. During such time as the Bonds are held by the United States of America, any prepayment of principal will be applied in inverse order of maturity.

Notice of redemption shall be given by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered owner of the Bonds. Such notice shall be mailed not more than 60 nor less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption.

4. The Bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of the Chairman, shall be countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of the Clerk and the manual or facsimile District seal shall be printed or affixed thereon. No Bond shall be valid until it has been endorsed by the manual or facsimile signature of the authorized representative of the North Carolina Local Government Commission (the "LGC").

5. The Series 2001A Bonds shall be in substantially the following form, the terms and requirements of which are incorporated herein by reference:

REGISTERED	REGISTERED
No. R-___	\$2,138,000
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE PRINCETON-KENLY WATER DISTRICT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA	

Water Bond, Series 2001A

The Princeton-Kenly Water District of Johnston County, North Carolina (the "District") acknowledges itself indebted and for value received, hereby promises to pay to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING BY AND THROUGH RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE, AN AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE or its registered assigns (the "Payee"), the principal sum of TWO MILLION ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$2,138,000) on the first day of June in installments as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2003	\$24,000	2016	\$41,000	2029	\$72,000
2004	24,500	2017	43,000	2030	75,000
2005	25,500	2018	45,000	2031	78,500
2006	27,000	2019	47,000	2032	82,000
2007	28,000	2020	49,000	2033	85,500
2008	29,000	2021	51,000	2034	89,000
2009	30,500	2022	53,500	2035	93,000
2010	31,500	2023	55,500	2036	96,000
2011	33,000	2024	58,000	2037	96,000
2012	34,500	2025	60,500	2038	96,000

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2003	\$24,000	2016	\$41,000	2029	\$72,000
2013	36,000	2026	63,000	2039	96,000
2014	37,500	2027	66,000	2040	77,500
2015	39,000	2028	69,000		

in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America, and to pay interest on the balance of said principal sum from time to time remaining unpaid, in like coin or currency, from the date hereof at the rate of 4.75% per annum, while held by the original payee, on June 1, 2001, and thereafter on June 1 of each year (provided if this bond is not owned by the United States of America, interest shall be payable on each June 1 and December 1), until the principal amount hereof has been paid.

Payments of the installments of principal and interest then due and payable on this bond without presentation or surrender hereof shall be made to the United States of America at such address as may be designated by it and, during any such time as an assignee of the Payee is the owner hereof, at the principal corporate trust office of First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, North Carolina. Upon receipt of said payments of principal and interest, written notice of the receipt thereof shall be given promptly to the District and the District shall be fully discharged of the obligation on this bond to the extent of the payment so made. Upon final payment of principal and interest, this bond shall be surrendered to the District for cancellation.

This bond is issued in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act, Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and a bond order adopted by the Board of the District on April 2, 2001, to pay capital costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, installing and equipping a water system in the District. The issuance of these bonds and the contracting of the indebtedness evidenced hereby were approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the District voting at an election held on August 4, 1998. The District has designated this bond and the issue of which it is a part as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

This bond is exchangeable at the sole expense of the District at any time, upon ninety (90) days' notice, at the request of the registered owner hereof and upon surrender of this bond to the District, for fully registered bonds, in the denomination of \$500 each or any integral multiple thereof, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of this bond and in the form of such fully registered multiple bonds as is provided for the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds.

This bond may be assigned and upon such assignment, the assignor shall promptly notify the District by registered mail, and the assignee shall surrender the same to the District for transfer on the registration records, or in exchange for fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$500 each or any integral multiple thereof in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of such single registered bond and bearing maturities corresponding to the principal installments on such single registered bond then unpaid, and every such assignee shall take this bond subject to such condition.

So long as this bond is held or insured by the United States of America (a) the principal installments hereof may be prepaid in whole or in part at any time in inverse order of maturity and (b) this bond will not be defeased without the written consent of the United States of America. When not so held or insured, this bond is subject to redemption at the option of the District, at any time at the principal amount hereof to be redeemed, together with interest accrued hereon to the date fixed for redemption, but without any premium.

It is hereby certified and recited that all such conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or statutes of the State of North Carolina to exist, be performed or happen precedent to or in the issuance of this bond, exist, have been performed and have happened, and that this bond is within every limitation prescribed by said Constitution or statutes. The faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on this bond in accordance with its terms. This bond shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the District has caused this bond to be signed by the Chairman and Clerk to the Board of the District and sealed with the corporate seal of the District and this bond to be dated _____, 2000.

PRINCETON-KENLY WATER DISTRICT OF
JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
By _____
Chairman

(SEAL)
ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

Date Authenticated:

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the Payee named in the within bond hereby sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) said bond unto _____

(Please print or type name and address, including postal zip code, of Transferee)
PLEASE INSERT SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER
IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF TRANSFEREE:

Date:

The issue hereof has been approved under the provisions of The Local Government Bond Act of North Carolina.

By: Robert M. High, Secretary
Local Government Commission

The Series 2001B Bonds shall be in substantially the following form, the terms and requirements of which are incorporated herein by reference:

No. R-_____ \$592,000

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
PRINCETON-KENLY WATER DISTRICT
OF JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Water Bond, Series 2001B

The Princeton-Kenly Water District of Johnston County, North Carolina (the "District") acknowledges itself indebted and for value received, hereby promises to pay to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING BY AND THROUGH RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE, AN AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE or its registered assigns (the "Payee"), the principal sum of FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$592,000) on the first day of June in installments as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2003	\$6,500	2016	\$11,500	2029	\$21,000
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2013	10,000	2026	18,000	2039	26,000
2014	10,500	2027	19,000	2040	14,000
2015	11,000	2028	20,000		

in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America, and to pay interest on the balance of said principal sum from time to time remaining unpaid, in like coin or currency, from the date hereof at the rate of 4.75% per annum, while held by the original payee, on June 1, 2001, and thereafter on June 1 of each year (provided if this bond is not owned by the United States of America, interest shall be payable on each June 1 and December 1), until the principal amount hereof has been paid.

Payments of the installments of principal and interest then due and payable on this bond without presentation or surrender hereof shall be made to the United States of America at such address as may be designated by it and, during any such time as an assignee of the Payee is the owner hereof, at the principal corporate trust office of First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, North Carolina. Upon receipt of said payments of principal and interest, written notice of the receipt thereof shall be given promptly to the District and the District shall be fully discharged of the obligation on this bond to the extent of the payment so made. Upon final payment of principal and interest, this bond shall be surrendered to the District for cancellation.

This bond is issued in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act, Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and a bond order adopted by the Board of the District on April 2, 2001, to pay capital costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, installing and equipping a water system in the District. The issuance of these bonds and the contracting of the indebtedness evidenced hereby were approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the District voting at an election held on August 4, 1998. The District has designated this bond and the issue of which it is a part as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

This bond is exchangeable at the sole expense of the District at any time, upon ninety (90) days' notice, at the request of the registered owner hereof and upon surrender of this bond to the District, for fully registered bonds, in the denomination of \$500 each or any integral multiple thereof, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of this bond and in the form of such fully registered multiple bonds as is provided for the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds.

This bond may be assigned and upon such assignment, the assignor shall promptly notify the District by registered mail, and the assignee shall surrender the same to the District for transfer on the registration records, or in

exchange for fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$500 each or any integral multiple thereof in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of such single registered bond and bearing maturities corresponding to the principal installments on such single registered bond then unpaid, and every such assignee shall take this bond subject to such condition.

So long as this bond is held or insured by the United States of America (a) the principal installments hereof may be prepaid in whole or in part at any time in inverse order of maturity and (b) this bond will not be defeased without the written consent of the United States of America. When not so held or insured, this bond is subject to redemption at the option of the District, at any time at the principal amount hereof to be redeemed, together with interest accrued hereon to the date fixed for redemption, but without any premium.

It is hereby certified and recited that all such conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or statutes of the State of North Carolina to exist, be performed or happen precedent to or in the issuance of this bond, exist, have been performed and have happened, and that this bond is within every limitation prescribed by said Constitution or statutes. The faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on this bond in accordance with its terms. This bond shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the District has caused this bond to be signed by the Chairman and Clerk to the Board of the District and sealed with the corporate seal of the District and this bond to be dated _____, 2000.

PRINCETON-KENLY WATER DISTRICT OF
JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
By _____
Chairman

(SEAL)
ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
Date Authenticated:

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the Payee named in the within bond hereby sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) said bond unto _____

(Please print or type name and address, including postal zip code, of Transferee)
PLEASE INSERT SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER
IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF TRANSFEREE:

[Empty rectangular box for identifying number]

Date:

The issue hereof has been approved under the provisions of The Local Government Bond Act of North Carolina.

By:
Robert M. High, Secretary
Local Government Commission

6. The full faith and credit and taxing power of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds. Unless other funds are lawfully available and appropriated for timely payment of the Bonds, the Board shall levy and collect taxes and raise other revenues for payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, as the same become due and payable.

7. The District shall maintain registration books for the registration of the Bonds. If no qualified securities depository is the registered owner of the Bonds, upon surrender of any bonds at the office of the District, together with an assignment fully executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized attorney or legal representative in such form as shall be satisfactory to the District, the District shall execute and shall authenticate and deliver in exchange, a new bond or bonds having an equal aggregate principal amount, in authorized denominations, of the same form and maturity, bearing interest at the same rate, and registered in names as requested by the then registered owner or exchange shall be at the expense of the District, except that the District may charge the person requesting such exchange the amount of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect thereto.

The District shall treat the registered owner as the person exclusively entitled to payment of principal and interest and the exercise of all other rights and powers of the owner, except that interest payments shall be made to the person shown as owner on the registration books on the fifteenth day of the month preceding each interest payment date.

8. The LGC is hereby requested to sell said Water Bonds to the United States of America by private sale on April 2, 2001.

9. The Board covenants on behalf of the District that so long as any of the installments of principal and interest on the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, the District shall not take or omit to take any action the taking or omission of which will cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), or otherwise cause interest on the Bonds to be includable in the gross income of the holders thereof.

10. The Board hereby covenants that it will not permit the gross proceeds of the Bonds to be used in any manner that would result in either (a) 5% or more of such proceeds being considered as having been used directly or indirectly in any trade or business carried on by any person other than a governmental unit as provided in Section 141(b) of the Code, (b) 5% of such proceeds being used with respect to any "output facility" (other than a facility for the furnishing of water systems), within the meaning of Section 141(b)(4) of the Code, or (c) 5% or more of such proceeds being considered as having been used directly or indirectly to make or finance loans to any person

other than a governmental unit as provided in Section 141(c) of the Code; provided, however, that if the Board receives an opinion of bond counsel acceptable to the registered owners of the Bonds that any such restriction is not required to prevent the interest on the Bonds from being includable in the gross income of the registered owners thereof under existing statutes, the Board need not comply with such restriction.

11. The Bonds are hereby designated as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

(a) The Board will in no event designate more than \$10,000,000 of obligations as qualified tax-exempt obligations in 2001, including the Bonds, for the purpose of such Section 265(b)(3);

(b) The District and all its “subordinate entities” (within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code) have not issued more than \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations in 2001 (not including “private activity bonds,” as defined in Section 141 of the Code, other than “qualified 501(c)(3) bonds,” as defined in Section 145 of the Code), including the Bonds;

(c) Barring circumstances unforeseen as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, the Board will not approve the issuance of tax-exempt obligations of the District or such subordinate entities if the issuance of such tax-exempt obligations would, when aggregated with all other tax-exempt obligations theretofore issued in 2001 by the District and such subordinate entities, result in the District and such subordinate entities having issued a combined total of more than \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations in 2001 (not including private activity bonds other than qualified 501(c)(3) bonds), including the Bonds; and

(d) The Board has no reason to believe that the District and such subordinate entities will issue tax-exempt obligations in 2001 in an aggregate amount that will exceed such \$10,000,000 limit; provided, however, that if the Board receives an opinion of bond counsel acceptable to the registered owners of the Bonds that compliance with any restriction set forth in (b) or (c) above is not required for the Bonds to be qualified tax-exempt obligations, the Board need not comply with such restriction.

12. The Board hereby represents and covenants as follows:

(a) The District and all its “subordinate entities” (within the meaning of Section 148(f)(4)(iii) of the Code) have not issued more than \$5,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations in 2001 (not including private activity bonds), including the Bonds;

(b) Barring circumstances unforeseen as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, the Board will not approve the issuance of tax-exempt obligations of the District or such subordinate entities if the issuance of such tax-exempt obligations would, when aggregated with all other tax-exempt obligations theretofore issued in 2001 by the District and such subordinate entities, result in the District and such subordinate entities having issued a combined total of more than \$5,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations in 2001 (not including private activity bonds), including the Bonds;

(c) The Board has no reason to believe that the District and such subordinate entities will issue tax-exempt obligations in 2001 in an aggregate amount that will exceed such \$5,000,000 limit;

(d) At least 95% of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used for “local government activities” of the District (within the meaning of Section 148(f)(4)(iii) of the Code);

provided, however, that if the Board receives an opinion of bond counsel acceptable to the registered owners of the Bonds that compliance with any restriction set forth in (b) or (d) above will not prevent the District from having to rebate to the United States any part of the earnings derived from the investment of the gross proceeds of the Bonds, the Board need not comply with such restriction.

13. The Chairman and the Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to take all proper steps to have the Bonds prepared and, when they shall have been duly renewed by the LGC, to execute the Bonds and to deliver the Bonds to the State Treasurer of North Carolina for delivery to the United States of America.

14. All other actions of officers of the District in conformity with the purposes and intent of this resolution and in furtherance of the issuance and sale of the Bonds are hereby approved and confirmed.

15. Such officers of the District as may be requested are hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate closing papers including a certificate setting forth the expected use and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds in order to show that such expected use and investment will not violate the provisions of Section 148 of the Code and regulations issued pursuant thereto, applicable to “arbitrage bonds.” Such papers and certificates shall be in such form as may be requested by bond counsel for the District.

16. This resolution, in particular Sections 5 and 7 hereof, constitutes a system of registration for the Bonds pursuant to NCGS § 159E-4.

17. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

18. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart moved the passage of the foregoing resolution and Commissioner Thomas M. Moore seconded the motion, and the resolution was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: James H. Langdon, Jr., Cookie Pope, Thomas M. Moore, Allen L. Mims, Jr., Wade M. Stewart, Fred Smith, and W. Ray Woodall.

Nays: None

Not Voting: None

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner W. Ray Woodall and carried by unanimous vote, the Princeton/Kenly Water District Board adjourned and the regular session was resumed.

10. Resolution Accepting the Letter of Conditions for USDA Rural Development Loan for the Little Creek Water District

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Thomas M. Moore and carried by unanimous vote, the Board recessed regular session to meet as the Little Creek Water District Board.

Barbara Beard Hinton with USDA Rural Development, reviewed with the Board the letter of conditions for the loan on the Little Creek Water District. She noted this district did not qualify for any grant funds. The loan is for 40 years at no greater than 5.5% interest.

Following discussion, Commissioner Cookie Pope moved the Board adopt the following resolution accepting the conditions of the USDA Rural Development Loan for Little Creek Water District. Commissioner Thomas M. Moore seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION - LITTLE CREEK WATER DISTRICT

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Board of Commissioners of the Little Creek Water District accepts the conditions set forth in the Letter of Conditions dated April 2, 2001, and RUS Bulletin 1780-27, Loan Resolution;

That the Board of Commissioners approves as shown on Form RD 442-7, Operating Budget, the proposed budget;

That the Chairman and Clerk be authorized to execute all forms necessary to obtain a loan from the Rural Utility Service (RUS), including, but not limited to the following forms:

RUS Bulletin 1780-27	Loan Resolution
Form RD 442-46	Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions
Form RD 442-7	Operating Budget
Form RD 400-1	Equal Opportunity Agreement
Form RD 400-4	Assurance Agreement
Form RD 1940-1	Request for Obligations of Funds
Form RD 1910-11	Applicant Certification Federal Collection Policies
Form AD-1047	Certification Regarding Debarment

That if the interest rate charged by USDA Rural Development should change between this date and the date of actual loan approval, the Chairman and Clerk be authorized to execute new forms reflecting the current interest rate and revised payments as required by USDA Rural Development;

The proposed rate schedule for residential water use is as follows:

Minimum	\$23.00 per 1,000 gallons of water usage
	All over 1,000 gallons - \$2.70 per 1,000 gallons

That the resolution is to become a part of the official minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting of the Little Creek Water District meeting held April 2, 2001.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr., seconded by Commissioner W. Ray Woodall and carried by unanimous vote, the Board adjourned the Little Creek Water District Board and resumed regular session.

11. Endorsement of Cleveland Springs to be Included on NCDOT Maps

Deirdre Jersey, president of the Greater Cleveland Chamber of Commerce (GCCC), asked the Board of Commissioners to endorse the request to the North Carolina Department of Transportation to add "Cleveland Springs" to NCDOT maps, and subsequently erect identification signs on public roads in the area. She provided an affidavit certifying that an election was conducted by the officers of the GCCC to determine a name for the community; 1,074 votes were cast, and the name Cleveland Springs received the highest number of votes. The recognition of the community name by the NCDOT will allow the United States Postal Service to prepare a boundary survey so that the area can receive postal service from the Clayton Post Office.

Following discussion, Commissioner Cookie Pope moved the Board of Commissioners forward to the North Carolina Department of Transportation their endorsement of the addition of Cleveland Springs on NCDOT maps, and on identification signs in the area. Commissioner W. Ray Woodall seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

12. HAPP Annual Plan

HAPP Director, Anne Eason, asked the Board to approve two proposed changes to the HAPP Administrative Plan and authorize her to submit to HUD the Annual Plan for her agency.

The first proposed change to the Plan would be notification that Johnston County HAPP does not currently administer a Home Ownership Program. Her agency does not have the necessary staff to manage the home ownership program as it is proposed by HUD. She noted other counties in the area are not participating either for the same reason. Hopefully HUD will make revisions that will make this a workable plan for local agencies, as it is something that has long been needed.

The second change would be to set a policy for intentional abuses of the HAPP Program that would terminate assistance and turn a matter over to legal authorities when tenants intentionally violate the program regulations and owe \$500 or more to HAPP. First time offenders owing less than \$500 would be offered a repayment opportunity.

Following discussion, Commissioner Fred Smith, moved the Board approve the two changes for the HAPP Administrative Plan and authorize Ms. Eason to submit the agency's Annual Plan to HUD. Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

13. Fireworks Displays Approved

Commissioner Cookie Pope moved the Board approve the following requests for fireworks displays, subject to compliance with NCGS 14-410, 14-415 and Chapter 20 of the Standard Fire Prevention Code, along with necessary permits for the applicable Inspections Department. Commissioner Pope further moved the Board authorize the Chairman to approve any additional requests that need approval between regular Board Meetings, with a report back to the Board. Commissioner W. Ray Woodall seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

South Johnston High School at graduation exercise on May 25, 2001

Benson Parks & Recreation for Benson's Fourth of July Celebration at a site on McLamb Tart Road

14. Appointments

A) Fire Protection District Commissions

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner W. Ray Woodall and carried by unanimous vote, the Board made the following two year appointments, waiving the length of service policy as needed. Terms expire April 2003.

Claytex Fire District - Reappointed: Lee Barbee, Duke Hockaday, and Bobby Worlds

PI-LE Fire District - Reappointed: Danny A. Pittman, Charles Morgan and Tim Overbee

Selma Fire District - Reappointed: Thomas Penny, Jerry Jo Stephenson, and Ernest S. Ward

Shocheel Fire District - Reappointed: Larry C. Hodge

Smithfield Fire District - Reappointed: Bobby Bryant, George Pope

Thanksgiving Fire District - Reappointed: Gary Price, Kenneth Phillips. Appointed: Gary House

West Johnson Fire District - Reappointed: Timothy Gregg Godwin, Carlton Hinnant, Richard Robbins

B) Nursing Home/Domiciliary Home Advisory Board

Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas M. Moore, seconded by Commissioner Cookie Pope and carried by unanimous vote, the Board waived the length of service policy and reappointed Irene Benson, and appointed Mary Hauser and Carla Johnson to the Nursing Home/Domiciliary Home Advisory Board for three year terms to expire April 2004.

C) Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. and carried by unanimous vote, the Board reappointed Endra Pugh, Ken Core and Judith Kolcum, and appointed Susan M. Hicks to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council for two year terms to expire April 2003.

D) Mental Health Board

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. and carried by unanimous vote, the Board appointed Kirk Edgerton to fill an unexpired term on the Area Mental Health Board; term to expire November 2002.

E) Johnston Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees

The following nominations were made for the one position on the Johnston Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees: Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. nominated Dr. Nitzan Daniel Catz; Commissioner Cookie Pope nominated Dr. Robert Bylciw.

Commissioner W. Ray Woodall moved the nominations be closed. Commissioner Cookie Pope seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

The Chairman called for a vote on the two nominees, and the votes were as follows:

Voting for Dr. Robert Bylciw: Commissioners W. Ray Woodall, Wade M. Stewart, Cookie Pope, and Fred Smith.

Voting for Dr. N. Daniel Catz: Commissioners Thomas M. Moore, James H. Langdon, and Allen L. Mims, Jr.

Dr. Robert Bylciw was appointed to a five year term on the Johnston Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees to expire April 2006.

F) Board of Equalization and Review

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner W. Ray Woodall and carried by unanimous vote, the Board made the following appointments to the new Board of Equalization and Review that was established by resolution on March 12, 2001.

Appointed for initial five year terms to expire April 2006 (to establish staggered terms): Jerry C. Murray, Sr., Don R. Wells, and Thomas A. Stevens. Appointed for four year terms to expire April 2005: W. Odell Edwards, Jeffrey C. Lee, James F. Langley, and Ron Earp.

15. Property Maintenance Standards for Residential Structures

Interim Planning Director, Dave Roesler, reported that, as requested by the Board at their recent retreat, staff has looked at a number of ordinances and codes that address the issue of minimum housing standards.

A committee, made up of Mr. Roesler, Chief Inspector, C. P. Thompson, Environmental Health Supervisor, Larry Sullivan, HAPP Director, Anne Eason, and Attorney Mary Payne, has developed a proposed Residential Property Maintenance Standards Ordinance for Johnston County. The committee's goal was to make this a simple ordinance, easy to understand, administer and enforce. The committee offered to answer any questions the Board might have.

Commissioner Fred Smith commended the committee for an excellent job, but suggested that instead of a separate appeal board, the County Commissioners should act in this capacity, at least for a period of time until they feel comfortable assigning this function to others.

Board members discussed the scope of the proposed ordinance. Commissioners Mims and Pope expressed the belief that it should apply to rental property only. Commissioner Smith disagreed and stated, in his opinion, the County has a responsibility to set minimum standards to assure public health and safety for all citizens.

Following discussion, Commissioner Fred Smith moved that the proposed ordinance be changed to reflect that the appeals board will be the Board of County Commissioners until such time as the Board feels it is appropriate to appoint a separate board to carry out this appeal process. Commissioner Thomas M. Moore seconded the motion, which carried by the following vote:

Ayes: James H. Langdon, Jr., Cookie Pope, Thomas M. Moore, Allen L. Mims, Jr., W. Ray Woodall and Fred Smith.

Nays: Wade M. Stewart

Upon a motion by Commissioner Fred Smith, seconded by Commissioner Thomas M. Moore and carried by unanimous vote, the Board scheduled a public hearing for May 14, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. to hear public comment on the proposed residential property maintenance ordinance.

16. Proclamations

A) Litter Sweep 2001

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Thomas M. Moore and carried by unanimous vote, the Board adopted the following proclamation:

**PROCLAMATION
LITTER SWEEP 2001**

WHEREAS, Johnston County, as well as all of North Carolina, enjoys the beautiful scenery and clean environment, which are a source of great pride, attracting tourists and aiding in recruiting new industries; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation annually organizes a statewide spring roadside cleanup to ensure clean and beautiful roads in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, a spring cleanup campaign has been planned for April 16-30, 2001, to help educate the public about the harmful effects of litter on the environment and give every citizen the opportunity to take responsibility for clean roads in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the "*Litter Sweep*" cleanup will be a part of educating the children of this great State regarding the importance of a clean environment to the quality of life in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the 2001 spring cleanup will acknowledge the 13th Anniversary of the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program and its thousands of volunteers who labor throughout the year to keep our roadsides clean.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, does hereby proclaim April 16-30, 2001 as "**LITTER SWEEP**" in Johnston County, and urges all citizens to participate in keeping our roadsides clean and to reduce and recycle solid waste.

Adopted this the 2nd day of April, 2001.

B) Mental Health Month

Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas M. Moore, seconded by Commissioner Cookie Pope and carried by unanimous vote, the Board adopted the following proclamation:

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the U.S. Surgeon General states that mental health is fundamental to health and indispensable to personal well-being, family and interpersonal relationships, and contributes to community and society; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Surgeon General confirms that mental illness affects one in five Americans every year, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion or economic status; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Surgeon General has found that a range of treatments exists for most mental disorders and the efficacy of mental health treatments are well documented; and

WHEREAS, Johnston County has made a commitment to community-based systems of mental health care for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the guiding principles of community mental healthcare have always been comprehensiveness, cost-efficiency, effective management, and high quality and consumer-responsive services, and those principles are now being adopted by private and public healthcare payers; and

WHEREAS, the National Mental Health Association, the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare and their national partners celebrate Mental Health Month every May to raise awareness and understanding of mental health and illness;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS does hereby proclaim May 2001 as **MENTAL HEALTH MONTH** in Johnston County and encourages all Johnston County citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental illness and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illnesses.

Adopted this the 2nd day of April, 2001.

17. Budget Amendments

A) Sheriff's Department

Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas M. Moore, seconded by Commissioner Cookie Pope and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the following budget amendments:

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
10	5130.4900	Other fixed charges	\$562.00
FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
10	5130.34162	Restitution Revenue	\$(562.00)

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
10	5100.1700	Vehicles	\$8506.65
FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
10	4600.32509	Insurance Recovery	\$8506.65

B) Health Department

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the following budget amendments:

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Maternal Health	10-5925-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$731.00
FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Maternal Health	10-5925-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$731.00

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Administration	10-5900-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$60.00
Epidemiology	10-5910-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$170.00
Adult Health	10-5920-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$40.00
Maternal Health	10-5925-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$370.00
Child Health	10-5945-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$556.00
Family Planning	10-5960-5400	Insurance and Bonds	\$101.00
		TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	\$1,297.00

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Administration	10-5900-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$60.00
Epidemiology	10-5910-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$170.00
Adult Health	10-5920-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$40.00
Maternal Health	10-5925-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$370.00
Child Health	10-5945-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$556.00
Family Planning	10-5960-34155	Seabury & Smith	\$101.00
		TOTAL NET REVENUE	\$1,297.00

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Child Health	10-5945-1410	Employee Training	\$500.00
Maternal Health	10-5925-1410	Employee Training	\$500.00
		TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	\$1,000.00

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Child Health	10-5945-34155	Wake AHEC	\$500.00
Maternal Health	10-5925-34155	Wake AHEC	\$500.00
		TOTAL NET REVENUE	\$1,000.00

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Environmental	10-5910-7400	Capital Outlay	(\$1,500.00)
FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Environmental	10-5910-34155	Division of Environmental Health	(\$1,500.00)

18. Health Department - Request for New Positions

Health Director, Dr. Leonard Woodall, informed the Board the County has been awarded a grant from the Partnership for Children (Smart Start) of Johnston County for \$22,705 for the remainder of this fiscal year, and \$116,650 for FY 2002. The grant will provide funds for a new in-home program called “Parents as Teachers,” which will educate parents of at-risk children on the physical, social and mental well being of their children. The new program would require two new Social Worker positions and one clerical position. He asked the Board to accept the grant, approve the positions, subject to the continuation of funding from Smart Start, and approve the associated budget amendment.

Following discussion, Commissioner Wade M. Stewart moved the Board accept the grant, approve the associated three positions, with the understanding these positions will only last as long as the Smart Start funding continues, and approve the following budget amendment. Commissioner Cookie Pope seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION EXPENDITURE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Child Health	10-5945-0300	Salaries	\$12,915.00
Child Health	10-5945-0600	Health Insurance	\$900.00
Child Health	10-5945-0501	Social Security	\$700.00
Child Health	10-5945-0700	Retirement	\$600.00
Child Health	10-5945-0701	401 k	\$500.00
Child Health	10-5945-3200	Office Supplies	\$200.00
Child Health	10-5945-1100	Telephone	\$215.00
Child Health	10-5945-1400	Travel	\$500.00
Child Health	10-5945-1410	Training	\$1,975.00
Child Health	10-5945-3300	Departmental Supplies	\$200.00
Child Health	10-5945-1200	Printing	\$100.00
Child Health	10-5945-7400	Capital Outlay	\$3,900.00
		TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	\$22,705.00
FUND	BUDGET CODE	LINE ITEM CLASSIFICATION REVENUE	REQUESTED CHANGE INCREASE (DECREASE)
Child Health	10-5945-34155	Johnston County Partnership for Children (Smart Start)	\$22,705.00
		TOTAL NET REVENUE	\$22,705.00

19. Emergency Services

EMS Director, Dewayne West, informed the Board the Emergency Services Advisory Committee is recommending some changes in the ambulance billing structure, effective July 1, 2001. Based on changes in Medicare regarding fees for EMS transports, the committee is requesting that squads be allowed to bill for in-county mileage at \$7.50 per mile from point of pickup to medical facility, and increase two of the transport billing code rates to reflect the new Medicare policies.

Following discussion, Commissioner Wade M. Stewart moved the Board approve the recommended changes in the ambulance billing structure as outlined above, effective July 1, 2001. Commissioner Cookie Pope seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

20. Tax Releases & Refunds

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cookie Pope, seconded by Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the following tax releases and refunds of \$100 or more, and accepted the report from John R. Massey, Finance Officer, on releases and refunds below \$100.

Motor Vehicle Release/Refund Report 02/20/2001 thru 03/19/2001

Year	Bill #	Acct #	Name	Tran Type	Paid	Interest
1999	0006-704004	0004-933653	DOSHER, JOSEPH ALBERT	Release	(\$197.76)	
1999	9909-613013	9907-805839	EISENHUT, PAULA JONES	Release	(\$105.44)	
1999	0001-651646	9911-849107	HAMILTON, TSHOMBE K	Release	(\$137.63)	
2000	0011-758774	0009-999936	NELLIS, RICHARD EDWIN	Release	(\$156.36)	
2000	0012-768759	0010-008683	PORT, JAMES ANTHONY	Release	(\$120.47)	
2000	0012-768593	0010-011287	MULLINS, DAVID ALAN	Rebill	\$142.39	\$1.07
1999	0003-681217	0001-910374	Ford Motor Credit Company	Release	(\$615.11)	
2000	0012-771513	0010-010117	PENDER, DAVID JUNIOR	Release	(\$101.52)	
2000	0101-780749	0011-017955	EARP, JR, JAMES LEON	Release	(\$286.90)	
2000	0011-758639	0009-992301	Mcnichol, Christopher Lawrence	Rebill	\$136.4	\$2.06
2000	0101-775657	0011-012708	MARTIN, KELLY GARTEN	Release	(\$123.22)	
1999	0006-706549	0004-942297	PARROTT, Broderick Wayne	Release	(\$236.90)	
2000	0007-717290	0005-952127	CLEMMONS, Michael Ernest	Release	(\$175.99)	
1999	0006-709433	0004-944128	JONES, MATTIE DAVIS	Rebill	\$171.39	\$9.20
1999	0001-654641	9911-849540	Heritage Homes of Clayton Inc	Release	(\$213.45)	
1999	9912-647932	9910-841356	Heritage Homes of Clayton, Inc	Release	(\$211.40)	
1999	9909-610177	9906-803116	Heritage Homes of Clayton Inc	Release	(\$270.31)	
1998	9903-545927	9812-732596	Heritage Homes of Clayton Inc	Release	(\$257.56)	
1998	9902-537138	9811-730795	Heritage Homes of Clayton Inc	Release	(\$327.43)	
1998	9901-529888	9810-723481	Heritage Homes of Clayton, Inc	Release	(\$257.70)	
1998	9901-529886	9810-717460	Heritage Homes of Clayton Inc	Release	(\$293.89)	
1999	0002-663988	9912-858135	Heritage Homes of Clayton Inc	Release	(\$270.31)	
1999	0003-676175	0001-907762	RAINS, WILLIAM EARL	Release	(\$137.14)	
2000	0101-782117	0011-017446	BORELLI, STACY JILL	Release	(\$203.68)	
2000	0012-769894	0010-009004	ROBERTS, RODERICK CALVIN	Rebill	\$240.15	\$1.80
1999	0004-683226	0002-919910	MCELVEEN, MARY PATE	Release	(\$155.82)	
1999	0006-709338	0004-940325	HICKS, DEWEY HOLMES	Rebill	\$114.57	\$6.16
2000	0008-724190	0006-962337	KING, III, JOHNIE LEVIN	Rebill	\$101.98	\$3.89
2000	0011-764192	0009-992973	MCARTAN, PENNY BAKER	Release	(\$104.70)	
1999	0005-700697	0003-930091	SCOTT, MICHAEL EARL	Release	(\$119.33)	
1999	0005-700698	0003-930714	SCOTT, MICHAEL EARL	Release	(\$208.10)	
2000	0101-777003	0011-016865	MASSEY, SARAH GAY	Release	(\$224.38)	
2000	0101-777002	0011-018657	MASSEY, JOHN THOMAS	Release	(\$173.90)	
2000	0102-782563	0011-018657	MASSEY, JOHN THOMAS	Release	(\$173.90)	
2000	0010-751919	0008-985208	TYNDALE, MAVINE DEANNA	Release	(\$123.66)	
1999	9911-639730	9909-833015	OUTLAW, CATINA WOODALL	Release	(\$146.20)	
2000	0011-764498	0009-999861	SAULS, PATRICIA COLVIN	Release	(\$274.19)	
1996	9612-310260	9609-475722	PARRISH, ANTHONY ASHLEY	Release	(\$126.00)	
2000	0010-747942	0008-985858	KIDD, KEVIN KARL	Release	(\$101.19)	
2000	0101-776968	0011-011629	LOWE, SEAN ELLINGTON	Release	(\$276.13)	
2000	0011-762051	0009-000492	HARTENSTINE, JEFFREY L	Release	(\$181.72)	
2000	0102-785017	0012-025264	GOODWIN, JAMES PETER	Release	(\$103.40)	
2000	0102-783398	0012-022467	GURGANUS, Michael Anthony	Release	(\$116.20)	
2000	0102-785992	0012-021375	SANCHEZ, ANTHONY	Release	(\$139.90)	
2000	0101-776180	0011-014908	BROWN, Llewellyn Maurice	Release	(\$106.77)	
2000	0102-789941	0012-022176	LYNN CLIFF, INC	Rebill	\$137.69	\$0.00
2000	0101-778471	0011-016016	FORD MOTOR CREDIT	Rebill	\$171.54	\$0.00
2000	0011-760584	0009-001701	ELLINGTON, TIMOTHY MARK	Rebill	\$117.85	\$1.78
2000	0101-775206	0011-018768	Piney Grove Chapel Baptist	Release	(\$223.66)	
2000	0102-786565	0012-028850	WOODARD, GEARRY LOOMIS	Release	(\$223.75)	
2000	0011-757934	0009-999253	First Union National Bank	Tag Surrender	(\$131.45)	
2000	0010-753813	0008-987155	LEVIN, BETTY FREEMAN	Tag Surrender	(\$100.53)	
2000	0101-781129	0011-018198	MAST, GEORGE BAIRD	Release	(\$1,002.00)	
2000	0010-750476	0008-984776	NOCK, SHARON LYNN	Rebill	\$151.52	\$3.44
2000	0011-765655	0009-001733	LEE, LORI FERRELL	Rebill	\$128.22	\$1.93
2000	0102-791707	0012-027705	WATERS & BROCK INC	Release	(\$235.64)	
2000	0010-754802	0008-987754	GROSS, STACEY JO	Rebill	\$121.06	\$3.67
2000	0102-786765	0012-020251	C D B TRUCKING	Release	(\$303.31)	
2000	0101-776788	0011-019360	JACKSON, GLORIA JEAN	Rebill	\$100.78	\$0.76
2000	0102-788153	0012-030565	Cuddington, Aubrey Wreb	Release	(\$141.27)	
2000	0102-786316	0012-021820	TESTA, SPRAGUE NORMAN	Release	(\$162.97)	
2000	0101-779865	0011-018435	COMERFORD, ANN PELUSE	Rebill	\$225.78	\$1.69
2000	0102-790363	0012-030013	Waste Management of the Carolinas	Release	(422.23)	
2000	0102-784050	0012-029632	WOOD, DANNY HUGH	Release	(\$262.08)	
2000	0102-788361	0012-024746	PALMER, FRANK ANDREW	Release	(\$100.17)	
2000	0102-785656	0012-028926	MULLEN, III, LEWIS EDWARD	Release	(\$141.96)	
2000	0102-788132	0012-029541	CORBETT, DONNA BARNES	Release	(\$283.68)	
2000	0102-792628	0012-029902	PPG INDUSTRIES INC	Release	(\$153.10)	
2000	0102-793161	0012-026411	PPG INDUSTRIES INC	Release	(\$202.36)	
2000	0101-779551	0011-015955	HOWELL, Jacqueline Parrish	Release	(\$112.58)	

2000	0102-785582	0012-026777	MERCER, JODY BARRY	Release	(\$235.10)	
2000	0102-787973	0012-030098	WHITE, MARK THOMAS	Release	(\$132.31)	
2000	0102-788046	0012-026546	BAKER, TERRY RAY	Release	(\$136.95)	
2000	0102-786431	0012-030077	WALLACE, ROBERT ARNOLD	Release	(\$436.12)	
2000	0008-725701	0006-955986	BOYD, BRYON VAN	Release	(\$121.28)	
2000	0102-785321	0012-029744	JOHNSON, PHILLIP MORRIS	Release	(\$165.89)	
2000	0102-790948	0012-023596	HENDERSON, JR, James Cecil	Release	(\$164.55)	
2000	0102-792527	0012-030869	MARSH, PATRICK	Release	(\$903.41)	
1998	9807-478711	9804-664692	FORD MOTOR CREDIT CO	Rebill	\$164.57	\$18.25
2000	0102-791238	0012-026147	Mitchell Concrete Products Inc	Release	(\$634.22)	
2000	0102-791239	0012-027049	Mitchell Concrete Products Inc	Release	(\$1,302.90)	
2000	0102-791240	0012-028156	Mitchell Concrete Products Inc	Release	(\$1,302.90)	
2000	0102-782626	0012-029835	WASHINGTON, Fletcher Valde	Release	(\$368.80)	
2000	0011-759396	0009-992667	VINSON, LINDA CROTEAU	Release	(\$101.94)	
2000	0102-784431	0012-026106	BUILD RITE INC.	Tag Surrender	(\$187.73)	
2000	0102-791228	0012-027793	MESSER, Melodie Lassiter	Release	(\$212.44)	
2000	0102-792620	0012-027567	LEE, COREY WAYNE	Release	(\$312.44)	
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2000	0102-791720	0012-019531	WELLS, DAVID EARL	Release	(\$135.87)	
2000	0012-771584	0010-010159	Southern Advent Christian Assoc	Release	(\$275.34)	
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2000	0102-791396	0012-025118	RABIL INC	Release	(\$122.93)	
1997	9710-398844	9707-587206	UZZLE, III, George Clifford	Release	(\$144.06)	
1998	9812-524185	9809-713422	UZZLE, III, George Clifford	Release	(\$136.85)	
1999	9910-628036	9908-821095	UZZLE, III, George Clifford	Release	(\$122.06)	
2000	0012-774854	0010-004070	GODWIN, REX ALFRED	Release	(\$111.70)	
2000	0010-752489	0006-988043	HOLMES, DEWEY HICKS	Rebill	\$173.54	\$5.27
2000	0011-757695	0009-991075	CRAIG, YVONNE DEE ESTER	Rebill	\$176.26	\$3.99
2000	0009-739327	0007-976038	BRICKEY, DENNIS WARREN	Rebill	\$169.90	\$6.47
2000	0102-792704	0012-020541	EARP, CEBOR WARREN	Release	(\$105.86)	
2000	0102-793055	0012-027658	PACCAR FINANCIAL CORP	Release	(\$796.71)	
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2000	0012-768021	0010-009562	HAGWOOD, JR, William Howard	Release	(\$130.86)	
2000	0011-763751	0009-995473	DOMINGUEZ, RAUL DIMAS	Release	(\$145.27)	
2000	0102-790099	0012-029439	PIERCE, CHARLES LINDY	Release	(\$131.94)	
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1999	0001-650337	9911-847173	MCLAMB, THOMAS DALE	Release	(\$120.85)	
2000	0011-763844	0009-994454	GADDIS, JENNIFER LYNN	Release	(\$127.46)	
2000	0012-768800	0010-011309	RADOVCICH, NICK PETER	Release	(\$199.05)	
2000	0103-793262	0012-030565	CUDDINGTON, Aubrey Wreb	Release	(\$221.78)	
2000	0011-763975	0009-999326	HINNANT, Julia Poindextr	Tag Surrender	(\$105.62)	
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2000	0102-786056	0012-028147	SHUMAN, SHARON STEELE	Rebill	\$137.43	\$0.00
2000	0103-793290	0012-028156	Mitchell Concrete Products Inc	Rebill	\$612.48	\$0.00
2000	0103-793289	0012-027049	Mitchell Concrete Products Inc	Rebill	\$612.48	\$0.00
2000	0103-793288	0012-026147	Mitchell Concrete Products Inc	Rebill	\$399.46	\$0.00
2000	0101-778275	0011-018969	T.E. Johnson Lumber Co.,Inc.	Release	(\$209.72)	
2000	0102-792599	0012-030315	Carolina Power & Light co	Release	(\$229.37)	
2000	0009-739362	0007-974130	Cobb, Iii, William Devereaux	Rebill	\$120.30	\$0.00
2000	0102-784000	0012-028525	WALKER, ERIC BERNARD	Release	(\$297.07)	
2000	0008-729154	0006-958079	LEE, THOMAS JEFFREY	Release	(\$117.28)	
1999	0004-686109	0002-919231	SPEICHER, DONNA GARRETT	Rebill	\$107.92	\$8.38
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2000	0102-782594	0012-023394	SYMONS CORPORATION	Release	(\$223.38)	
2000	0102-782596	0012-028617	SYMONS CORPORATION	Release	(\$198.36)	
2000	0011-765681	0009-996509	WIGGINS, KRIS ELAINE	Release	(\$147.06)	
2000	0101-781305	0011-015980	Schultze Insurance Agency	Release	(\$215.34)	
2000	0102-786911	0012-027247	FUTCH, DELMONTE RAY	Release	(\$987.45)	
2000	0101-776640	0011-018258	HAMMEL, JOHN CHARLES	Rebill	\$195.83	\$1.47
1998	9812-519744	9809-713523	GRACIA, JOSE MANUEL	Rebill	\$148.58	\$31.86

2000	0102-792709	0012-027390	ROYSTER CLARK INC	Rebill	\$150.95	\$0.00
2000	0102-790361	0012-026766	Waste Management of the Carolinas	Rebill	\$984.19	\$0.00
2000	0101-779537	0011-017125	HOLLAND, Brenda Willoughby	Release	(\$125.81)	

Real/Personal Property Refunds 2/20/01 - 3/19/01

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Real/Personal Property Releases 2/20/01 - 3/19/01

2/20/2001	9:10:09	121	CATHY 2000-028855	38734521	HINNANT, RICHARD MILFORD	-213.68	
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2/20/2001	10:57:38	124	JAMES 2000-201562	2000062497	MYERS, TONI M	218.59	
2/20/2001	13:20:53	105	SHEILA 2000-007156	2000050749	BLACKLEY, CLIFTON EDWARD	382.97	
2/23/2001	7:13:21	124	JAMES 2000-043433	2000059610	MCCALL, JOHNNIE	185.60	
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3/19/2001	15:07:28	124	JAMES 2000-032297	2000056810	JACKSON, VICKIE DARLENE	167.86	
3/19/2001	15:13:36	124	JAMES 2000-205494	2000076825	HOUSE, MARJORIE VIOLA CUDA	264.90	
3/19/2001	15:14:05	124	JAMES 2000-203303	2000076825	HOUSE, MARJORIE VIOLA CUDA	225.03	
3/19/2001	15:17:33	124	JAMES 2000-068469	2000049734	WALL, JOHNNY DEVAN	183.53	
3/19/2001	15:22:45	124	JAMES 2000-030323	2000041041	HONEYCUTT, BENNY S	105.38	

Report from Finance Officer, John R. Massey

March 26, 2001

This to certify that, as authorized by the Board of Commissioner on December 11, 2000, I have approved the following tax releases and refunds under \$100, as recommended by the County Interim Tax Administrator, Jack Williford. A complete record of this information is on file in the County Finance Office.

	Totals from 2/20/01 -3/19/01
Tax refunds-Personal/Real Property	\$ 1,542.87
Tax releases-Personal/Real Property	1,891.87
Motor Vehicle releases/refunds	7,700.70

Board Reports & Comments

21. Property Tax Rate

Commissioner Thomas M. Moore stated he was on the Board several years ago when the tax rate was raised to \$.85. At that time, he made a commitment to recommend a reduction in the tax rate at such time when the County's revenues exceeded the expenditures.

Based on the past two years' financial reports, which have shown the County to be in good financial condition with increasing reserves, Commissioner Moore moved the County reduce the property tax rate by 5 cents. The motion died for lack of a second.

Chairman Langdon pointed out the County has been looking at financing its long term debt, and the entire plan includes a constant \$.85 tax rate. It is necessary to build reserves now to cover the debt service in future years.

Commissioner Fred Smith stated the County is trying to get its bond rating improved, and the only way that can happen is to keep our growing reserves. He pointed out the County citizens already get a tax break since property is not revalued each year, *[and with normal increases in income, a smaller portion of a family's funds is used for property taxes.]* (Minutes amended to add the material in italics on May 7, 2001).

Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. noted the way he understands the financial information, the County revenues did show an increase by \$7 million; however, the expenses were also up by approximately \$5 million, and the Board has since appropriated close to \$2 million additional funds to the Schools. Therefore, he questioned whether there is indeed any additional money available. Also, if you look at the financial model, at the end of the years projected for paying off the proposed debt, there are no extra reserves.

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart stated he agreed with Commissioner Moore that the County does not need to continue growing the reserves, but disagrees that now could be the time to decrease the tax rate since we are so close to a revaluation.

22. Teacher Supplements

Commissioner Thomas M. Moore moved the Commissioners advise the Board of Education that the County would support a three percent (3%) increase in teacher supplements in the FY 01-02 budget. This motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Fred Smith stated he would like to see the Commissioners agree to include in the County's FY 01-02 budget to fund ½ of the supplement plan that was presented to the Board of Education by Fred Bartholomew, and further agree that in February, 2002, the County Manager and Finance Officer would review the situation, and if revenues are above budget, the remaining half of the Bartholomew plan would be funded.

Chairman Langdon stated he would like to have more time to look at all the facts and figures before any commitments are made.

23. Request for New Radios -Fire & Rescue

Andy Parrish, president of the Johnston County Fire Chief's Association, asked the Board to fund 800 MHz radios for the County fire departments and EMS units. He explained the current VHS system is not reliable, creating a safety issue for fire fighters and EMS. He suggested the County could increase the 911 Surcharge to pay for the radios. He stated this request has the unanimous support of all the fire chiefs in the County.

Danny Morgan, president of the Johnston County Rescue Association stated the EMS units have had a chance to try out the new radios, and also unanimously support this request. One of the most important features of the 800 MHz system is they provide radio security and confidentiality not possible with the VHS system.

Communications Director, Jason Barbour, informed the Board the radios would cost \$1.3 million. He recommended the 911 surcharge be increased from \$.85 to \$1.20 per month, which would pay for the radios in approximately five years. He provided information showing the surcharge in other counties in the area, many of which are at \$1.20 or more. In response to questions from the Board, he noted the old radios would be kept as back up since they would be compatible with the new ones.

Public Hearing Scheduled

Following discussion, Commissioner Allen L. Mims, Jr. moved the Board call for a public hearing on May 7, 2001 to hear public comment on the proposal to increase the 911 surcharge to offset the cost of new 800 MHz radios for fire and EMS personnel in the County. Commissioner Cookie Pope seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote. The hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart pointed out the Board needed to go ahead and make a commitment to purchase the radios, regardless of the funding source.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Fred Smith, seconded by Commissioner Wade M. Stewart and carried by unanimous vote, the Board approved the purchase of 800 MHz radios for the fire departments and EMS units in the County, and authorized the Communications Director to go ahead and purchase the radios.

24. Informational Meetings with Department Heads

The Board scheduled two sessions to hear informational presentations from department heads: April 16, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. and April 23, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. Both sessions will be held in the Emergency Operations Center in the Courthouse Law Enforcement Center.

25. Discussion on Construction Projects in the County

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart suggested the County consider establishing a committee, made up of people who are experts in the different fields of construction, to have oversight on construction projects in the County. He noted this committee could oversee projects for all areas of government: schools, hospital, Community College, as well as the County, and hopefully reduce the costs of some of the projects.

Commissioner Thomas M. Moore agreed and noted he served on the technical advisory board that came up with the model plans for schools, which have proven to be cost effective and easy to maintain.

Commissioner Fred Smith noted that Ray DeBruhl, Johnston County Schools Facilities Consultant, has written a paper which was presented to the Wake County Advisory Committee, which outlines his concept for a facilities building management program. Mr. DeBruhl recommends a School Facilities Authority be established, made up of professional people appointed by the Commissioners and the Board of Education, whose sole purpose would be to build buildings the most efficient and cost effective way.

Commissioner Wade M. Stewart pointed out that since the County is considering a bond issue in the fall, the Board needs to look into this type of program soon so that the public can be assured that there will be accountability of the spending of public funds.

Following discussion, the Board agreed to invite Ray DeBruhl to a meeting with the Board and other interested entities as soon as possible.

26. School Funding

Commissioner Fred Smith asked what happens when bond or Certificate of Participation (COP) funds, which were designated for a specific school project, are left over when the project is completed. He noted that Riverwood Elementary School is now finished, and some of the \$9.5 million that was borrowed for the project was not spent.

Finance Officer, John Massey, stated he would need to check with Bond Counsel to be certain, but he believed it would be used for the debt on the building, especially since the Riverwood project was financed by COP's. He agreed to look into this and report back to the Board.

There being no further business, Commissioner Cookie Pope moved the Board adjourn. Commissioner Wade M. Stewart seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

James H. Langdon, Jr., Chairman

Joyce H. Ennis, Clerk to the Board