

MINUTES
CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
NOVEMBER 19, 2001

The Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, met in the Henry H. Dunlap, Jr. Building Classroom, located in Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 4:00 PM on November 19, 2001.

Present: Chairman Gary Phillips; Vice Chair Margaret Pollard; Commissioners Bob Atwater, Rick Givens, and Carl Outz; County Manager, Charlie Horne; County Attorney, Robert L. Gunn; Assistant County Manager, Paul Spruill; Finance Officer, Vicki McConnell; and Clerk to the Board, Sandra B. Lee

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:13 PM.

Work Session Agenda

1.) **Water**

WATER SYSTEM ESTENSION POLICY

A discussion of the Water System Extension Policy continued by beginning with wastewater issues.

The Public Works Director is to refine cost estimates and return to the Board with a project and phasing plan.

CHRISTMAS PARADES

It was discussed that the Chatham County Christmas Parades are scheduled as follows:

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| Town of Siler City | November 26, 2001 |
| Town of Goldston | December 1, 2001 |
| Town of Pittsboro | December 2, 2001 |
| Bennett | December 8, 2001 |

BAD DEBT WRITE-OFF FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES/HOME HEALTH

The bad debt write-off for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in the amount of \$146,641.01 and Home Health in the amount of \$1,288.761 was discussed.

It was discussed that First Health took over EMS services in Chatham County on July 1, 1997; that the \$145,352.30 balance, although it appears to be a large amount, consisted of charges billed to patients before

the First Health takeover; that these charges have been on the County's records since July 1, 1997; that in December, 1997, the Chatham County Home Health Agency was sold to UNC; that there was a small accounts receivable balance remaining at that time; that the County was still receiving some payments until June, 2000; and that all means of collecting the past-due balance, including hiring a third-party collection, have been exhausted.

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH GOLDSTON LIBRARY

- Commissioner Pollard moved, seconded by Commissioner Givens, to approve the lease agreement with the Goldston Library, attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0).

By consensus, the Board concurred that the entire \$50,000 is to be given to the Town of Goldston upon request of same.

RECESS

- Commissioner Givens moved, seconded by Commissioner Outz, that the meeting be recessed to the regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners' meeting in the District Courtroom. The motion carried five (5) to zero (0), and the meeting was recessed at 6:20 PM.

Gary Phillips, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners