

The Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners met as the governing body of the East Lincoln County Water and Sewer District at the Citizens Center, Third Floor, 115 West Main Street, Lincolnton, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting at 6:30 p.m. on January 19, 1998. The following were present:

Louis E. McConnell, Chairman
James A. Hallman, Vice Chairman
Terry L. Brotherton
Larry S. Craig
Beth H. Saine

Jeff Taylor, Assistant County Attorney
Richard French, County Manager
Stan Kiser, Assistant County Manager

Also present were Doug Chapman, County Engineer, Jack Chandler, Director of Public Service, and Amy S. Long, Clerk to the Board.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman McConnell called the January 19, 1998 meeting of the East Lincoln County Water and Sewer District Board to order.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman McConnell presented the January 19, 1998 agenda of the East Lincoln County Water and Sewer District Board for adoption.

AGENDA

EAST LINCOLN COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GOVERNING BODY LINCOLN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 19, 1998

	6:30 PM	Call to Order
	6:30 PM	Adoption of Agenda
1.	6:30 PM	Approval of Minutes November 17, 1997
2.	6:35 PM	Consent Agenda - Interlocal Cooperation Agreement
3.	6:40 PM	Report on Sewer District Activities – Jack Chandler, Public Service Director
4.	6:55 PM	Other Business - Unlicensed Contractors - Westport Water Tank

Adjourn

Commissioner Larry Craig motioned that the agenda of the January 19, 1998 East Lincoln County Water and Sewer District Board be adopted.

Seconded by Commissioner James Hallman.
Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 17, 1997

Chairman McConnell presented the minutes of the November 17, 1997 meeting for approval.

A motion by Commissioner Larry Craig to approve the minutes of the November 17, 1997 meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Terry Brotherton.
Unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jeff Taylor, Assistant County Attorney, presented the following Resolutions for the Board's approval.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION
AGREEMENT UNDER N. C. G. S. CHAPTER 160A, ARTICLE 20 (FISCAL
YEAR 1996-97)**

WHEREAS, in 1996 the East Lincoln County Water & Sewer District began to construct a sewer system to serve the citizens of Lincoln County within the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners has recognized that the construction of the sewer system will have the effect of increasing the overall tax base of the County by increasing the assessable value of the properties served by it and by increasing the amount of residential and industrial development in the District and the areas of the County adjacent to it; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the County to expedite construction of the sewer system in order to increase the said tax base of the County; and

WHEREAS, District officials have been approached about possible annexations of areas not currently within the District in order to secure sewer service for industrial projects for such areas not currently within the District; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, as commissioners and as the governing body of the District, verily believe that such industrial development is imperative to the future of Lincoln County and that such development would boost the tax revenues of both the County and the District; and

WHEREAS, the construction of the sewer system is an undertaking for which the County and the District have authority under Article 20 of North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 160A to enter into contracts and agreements with each other; and

WHEREAS, the County and the District determined in 1996 that the County could assist the District with the construction of the sewer system by technical assistance and by advancing future tax revenues to be collected from the District and desire to execute this document to memorialize their understanding:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it and it is hereby resolved that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners approves the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Under N. C. G. S. Chapter 160A, Article 20 for Fiscal Year 1996-97, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

This resolution adopted this 19th day of January, 1998.

Louis E. McConnell, Chairman
Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Amy S. Long
Clerk to the Board

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Commissioner Larry Craig made a motion to adopt the Resolutions as presented.

Seconded by Commissioner James Hallman.
Unanimously approved.

REPORT ON SEWER DISTRICT ACTIVITIES—JACK CHANDLER, PUBLIC SERVICE DIRECTOR

Jack Chandler, Public Service Director, presented the following information to the Board. He stated that to-date 491 customers will receive a sewer bill in February and 348 have made application and have either paid \$3000 in full or are making payments on it.

OTHER BUSINESS

Jeff Taylor, Assistant County Attorney, discussed the use of unlicensed contractors, and stated that he had no action to recommend at this time.

Doug Chapman, County Engineer, discussed the removal of the Westport water tank. He stated that the water tank and an easement for the property it is directly on was deeded to the County. Mr. Chapman commented that the agreement stated that once the water tank was taken out of service, it would be removed at the County's expense. He commented that some estimates had been received, but costs would depend on the method of removal. He stated that there is no money budgeted for this.

No actions were taken on these matters.

Commissioner Terry Brotherton stated that he had some concerns about the minutes of the December 16 meeting of the East Lincoln Water and Sewer District Advisory Committee. He stated that some of these comments concern him. He stated that he believes the Committee may have outlived it's usefulness.

Commissioner James Hallman stated that at least one Commissioner should attend all meetings of the East Lincoln Water and Sewer District Advisory Committee.

Commissioner Larry Craig stated that there are financial problems in the district. He stated that three County employees are taking the time to attend these meetings. He stated that he questions whether the Committee should exist any further.

Ray Holmes, Chairman of the East Lincoln Water and Sewer Advisory Committee, stated that he would like to address the concerns of the Board. He stated that the Committee was not intending to be offensive, only reflecting the concerns of the East Lincoln District. He commented that the Committee is there to reflect what they see and hear, and they are glad to serve at the Board's discretion.

Commissioner Beth Saine stated that she also questions the need for the Committee if it cannot support the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Larry Craig stated that he thought it would be good to send Mr. Holmes copies of all agendas of the Commissioners.

ADJOURN

Commissioner James Hallman made a motion to recess the East Lincoln County Water and Sewer meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Larry Craig.
Unanimously approved.