

## Rockingham County Commissioners Papers

- Repository:** Rockingham Co. Historical Collections  
Gerald B. James Library  
Rockingham Community College  
P. O. Box 38  
Wentworth, NC 27375
- Title:** Rockingham County Commissioners Papers
- Accession No.:** 92-066
- Extent:** 1 box
- Provenance:** This box of papers was found in the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office in 1991 by a county employee. Eugene Russell, the county attorney, went before the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners on November 4, 1991 and requested that the commissioners donate the papers to the Rockingham County Historical Collections. The Board approved the request.
- Inclusive Dates:** 1896-1900
- Subject Headings:** Government – Rockingham County (N. C.)  
Roads – Rockingham County (N. C.)  
Rockingham County Home for the Aged and Infirm  
Rockingham County Jail
- Preferred Citation:** *Rockingham County Commissioners Papers. 92-066.*  
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*Rockingham Community College.*
- Descriptive Note:** The majority of the papers are dated 1899 and 1900, but a few pay vouchers date from 1896 and 1898. The papers were filed in 14 envelopes and several loose bundles. The material consists of loose papers concerning various aspects of county business during the period of July – December, 1899 and February, October and November 1900.
- The papers were removed from the envelopes and placed in folders under the dates in which they appeared in the original container. The contents include reports, minutes of

commissioners meetings, petitions, road fund expenses, poor house expenses, county prison expenses, pay vouchers and other miscellaneous papers.

**Contents:**

Reports:

Includes reports from the superintendent of health, bills from tax listers and assessors, jury lists, petitions for liquor licenses, supplies, grand jury reports on the poor house and county prison and minutes of the commissioners meetings.

Road Fund:

Reports, invoices for various supplies, township reports for local superintendents, names of road workers, cost of bridges.

Poor House:

Reports, various expenses of operation, supplies and repairs.

County Prison:

Invoices for supplies, bills for the transportation of prisoners, repairs to the jail, etc.

Pay Vouchers:

Vouchers issued to individuals for services on jury and as witnesses in court cases, vouchers issued for supplies furnished to various departments of county government. (Note: Vouchers are similar to checks and are endorsed by the payee when cashed. The vouchers were cancelled by cutting an "X" in the paper.)

Bond Coupon:

These items consist of cancelled interest coupons which were detached from the bonds and cashed in on the due date. One group of coupons are probably from the Leaksville and Madison Township bonds for the North Carolina Midland Railroad Stock issued ca.1880. The second group of coupons was from bonds issued by the county which were due in 1890. (Note: The railroad was never completed by Leaksville Township owns its stock which still pays a dividend.)

Miscellaneous:

Various other miscellaneous papers.