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FILING FOR 2017 CATAWBA COUNTY MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

NEWTON, NC – The filing period for candidates seeking a town or city municipal office seat in the November 7, 2017, election in all eight of Catawba County’s municipalities begins, by law, at 12:00 noon on Friday, July 7, 2017. In accordance with North Carolina General Statute 163-294.2(c), filing is currently scheduled to end at 12:00 noon on Friday, July 21, 2017.

Seats on the various municipal councils that will be open are as follows:

- **Town of Brookford:** Mayor (4-year term), Aldermen (4-year term) – two seats, Alderman (2 Year Unexpired Term)- one seat
- **Town of Catawba:** Councilmen (4-year term) – two seats
- **City of Claremont:** Mayor (4-year term), Councilmen (4-year term) – two seats
- **City of Conover:** Mayor (4-year term), Councilmen (4-year term) – two seats
- **City of Hickory:** Mayor (4-year term); Aldermen Wards 4, 5 and 6 (4-year term) – three seats
- **Town of Long View:** Mayor (4-year term), Aldermen Wards 2 and 5 (4-year term) – two seats, Alderman Ward 4 (2-year unexpired term) – one seat
- **Town of Maiden:** Mayor (2-year term), Councilmen- three seats with the top two candidates receiving the highest number of votes serving 4-year terms and the candidate receiving the third highest number of votes serving a 2-year term
- **City of Newton:** Council (4-year term) – three seats.

The filing fee is \$12.00 for City of Hickory seats and \$5.00 for all other municipal seats.

Interested candidates should file in Newton at the Catawba County Board of Elections Office in the Government Center at 25 Government Dr. (Hwy 321 Business—use Radio Station Rd entrance). Staff will be available 8am-5pm Monday through Friday to assist with the candidate filing form and the required campaign committee forms. Candidates must be 21 years old (18 years old for Town of Catawba) and be a registered voter in the municipality (and ward) for which they are filing.

For more information on filing for the municipal elections, call the Catawba County Board of Elections office at 828-464-2424 or visit www.catawbacountync.gov/elections/.

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