

January 28, 1981 9:00 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Wednesday, January 28, 1981 at 9:00 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, chairman, Lewis Waddell and Roger Isaac. This was their first meeting since November 13, 1980 as there was no business to be conducted in December 1980.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Yount. The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and a motion was made by Mr Yount to adopt the minutes as read. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved by board members present.

The supervisor was ask by a board member what had conspired about the chargeback for advertising in the yellowpages of Centel phone Company? She had been advised by David Huffman, County Commissioner that this unnecessary charge would be stopped after this year beginning in March 1981.

The supervisor reported to the Board members that Tom Brown and Robert Hemphill candidates for the Catawba County Board of Education were late with their final Campaign Reporting report, and T. Dale Johnson, sheriff and candidate for sheriff was late with is annual report and all three were reported to the Campaign Reporting office, State Board of Elections, Raleigh, N C. as required.

The voting machines were discussed again at great length and the concensus of the members was that if we go into voting machines, the type to recommend to the County Commissioners would be the Martel Counter with paper ballots. The board members instructed the supervisor to contact Charlene Webber and Russell Sloss and invite them to a meeting on February 17, 1981 at 9 A M giving each a schedule of 1 hour or so to present the machines and what they offer such as service, etc.

G. S. 163-69 was discussed thoroughly in regard to purging. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that a person having received a "Challenged Letter" and wished to remain on the registration books, that the voter had to come in the office in person or write a letter stating same, that a telephone call would not be accepted. This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously approved. It was also decided by the board members that an immediate member of a voter could make the request for the voter to remain registered, but it had to be in writing for our files.

The supervisor ask for permission to take the front side of a returned purged letter that was undeliverable, to attach to the registration card, it showing date mailed, to whom and from the Catawba County Board of Elections, First Class mailing, instead of attached the envelope and letter in order to save space. This was discussed and decided o. k. as long as the office can tell what heppen a year or so from now. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to allow only the front page of the envelope to be attached to registration card that is being purged. This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously approved.

Mr. Yount reported to the Board members his conversation with Grace United Church in regard to moving the South Newton polling place. One main item that Grace Church wants to know is, Does the County have liability insurance to cover someone hurt at the polling place?. The supervisor was instructed to secure from the county in writng, if we do or do not have liability insurance to cover people hurt in a polling place. No decision was made in regard to moving South Newton Polling place until we get the insurance information and until a decision is made on voting machines.

Moving of the Claremont Precinct was discussed again. Mr. Isaac suggested moving to the school and be done with it, that we are using other county facilities, move it to the school. Mr. Waddell could not vote to move a precinct without knowing what they were doing and without investigating the school. A letter of complaint about Longview 2 polling place was discussed. The board members decided they would go investigate the 2 polling places and made a decision at the February meeting.

A letter from the Hickory Daily Record was presented. They wish to be notified of all our meetings as required by the Open Meeting Laws. It was agreed by all board members not to charge them for this service.

It was reported to the board that with the moving of the Board of Election office from the basement to 2nd floor, the county changed the locks and expected to have a master key to the Board of Election Office. It was reported that the lock was changed in 1976 to the dead-bolt type with only 2 keys when some school board ballots that were in error were used in the precincts and it was assumed the ballots were taken from the office. The supervisor had requested that the lock on the office in the basement be moved when the office moved as the Board of Election budget had paid for it. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to have Shook Locksmith to tumble the 3 doors to the Board of Election, all using the same key, with only 2 keys to the door, no more than 3 and if there was a third key, it be put in a safe deposit box, and if needed some one had to sign for it. This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously carried. Mr. Isaac felt that the County shouldn't have a key to the Board of Election office. It was unanimous by all three members that Mr. Lundy be told of the board's action. (Mr. Yount talked with Mr. Lundy at the close of the meeting.)

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Roger Isaac, Secretary

February 17, 1981 9:00 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, February 17, 1981 at 9:00 A M in the board room of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Roger Isaac. Mr. Waddell had been summoned to Federal Court and was unable to attend.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Yount, the Chairman. The minutes were dispensed with until the next meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to hear from two voting machines systems that market the ballot counter using paper ballots.

The board heard from Charlene Webber and Bill Rickey of Airmac Technology Systems, Inc of Santa Ana, Calif, who manufacture and market the voter tabulator at 9 A.M. (formerly Martel Systems)

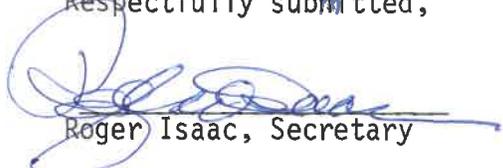
The board heard from Russell Sloss, who is with Computer Election Systems and is marketing the same voter tabulator at 10 A.M.

No decision was made about recommending the tabulator to the County Commissioners for purchase.

The two board members present made plans to go to Claremont, Longview 2, and South Newton at 2 P M on this day to review election places before making any changes.

The board then recessed to meet back in the office of the Board of Elections on Friday at 8:30 and hoped to have the full board present to finish the discussion pertaining the voter tabulator.

Respectfully submitted,



Roger Isaac, Secretary

February 23, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, February 23, 1981 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Roger Isaac. Mr. Waddell was notified, but did not respond.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and unanimously approved by board members present.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of recommending to the County Commissioners that they purchase voting tabulators and to recommend the type.

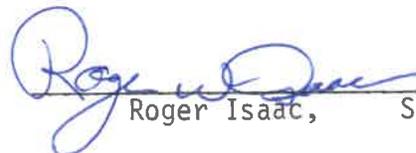
It was unanimous by board members present that a resolution was passed to recommend to the Catawba County Board of Commissioners to purchase the electronic voting tabulator that counts a paper ballot only. (Formerly the Martel machine and was used for counting absentees in the office in November 1980. Copy of resolution attached.

It was unanimous by board members present that those voters with residence of LR College that voted in 1976 and have not since be purged as a letter was mailed and returned and attached to their registration card as they are no longer a resident there. This is in accordance with a ruling from the Attorney General in regard to purging. The voters are:

Debra Renee Allen, Donna Mae Allen, Timothy Eric Barker, Richard Perry Berger, Brian Edward Bishop, John Douglas Boone, Peter Raymond Bost, Ralph E Branscomb, Charles Phillip Brown, Sallie Elizabeth Brown, James Edward Brumley, Harold Wm Cline, Jeffrey Lawrence Cook, Glenn Ray Corriher, Michael Leon Crudup, Walter Keith Dangerfield, Jean Ellen Deter, Tamara Jean Egelsky, Debra Anne Garlock, Christine Diane Gessler, Lindlee Carol Hamlin, Nancy Jane Henley, Cheryl Ann Jenks, Majola Vistelle Jones, Mary Deloris Kennedy, Peter Joseph Kissinger, Lynn McGraw Loy, Barry Virgil Martin, Amy Larson McCune, Charles Sten McLendon, Susan Elizabeth Moser, Melinda Frederica Owens, Robert Horton Park, Bernice Parker, Grady Richard Patterson, Cathy Rae Pierce, Lindora Rowell, Earl Frederick Spaugh, Jr, Michael Blair Stone, Sheila Ann Todd, Ford Robert Weicht, Beverly Jane White, David A Fritz, Jan Harmon, Michael V McCanless, Gregory Glenn Ramsey, Andrea Lynn Shreve, Stephen Marcus Shelton and Gray Butner Veit.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Roger Isaac, Secretary

RESOLUTION 1981 -1

VOTING MACHINE USE AND PURCHASE

WHEREAS, on November 4, 1980, the Martel Voting Tabulator was used with substantial success in counting absentee ballots in the General Election of Catawba County;

AND WHEREAS, the Catawba County Board of Elections having considered the matter of voting tabulators for the use of the voters of Catawba County and having reviewed the electronic voting tabulators (formerly the Martel Voting Tabulator) and having discussed same at Board meetings and having reviewed the possible uses for same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Catawba County Board of Elections that the Board of Elections of Catawba County be placed on record as favoring the use of voting machines by the voters of Catawba County, and the Board of Elections further believes the use of voting tabulators would be in the best interest of Catawba County. We recommend that the Catawba County Board of Commissioners determine the feasibility for the purchase of same from Airmac Technology Systems, Inc. of California or Computer Election Systems of Greensboro, N. C., which said companies market the electronic voting tabulator as previously used. Catawba County Board of Commissioners to determine the feasibility of purchasing same for Catawba County with the Board of Elections taking the firm position that it is the decision of the Catawba County Board of Commissioners as to whether or not to purchase the above-named machinery, which has been used with a degree of success in Catawba County.

Adopted this the 23rd day of February, 1981.

CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS


Albert M. Yount, Chairman



March 16, 1981 Monday 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, March 16, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of elections. Members present were Lewis Waddell and Roger Isaac. Mr. Yount had a previous appointment.

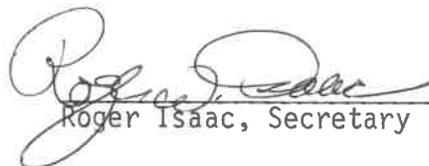
The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve as read. This motion was second by Roger Isaac, and unanimously approved by board members present.

The purpose of the meeting was to approve or change budget figures of the proposed budget of 1981-1982 as prepared by the supervisor to be presented to the County Manager. Mr. Waddell and Mr. Isaac stated "they had no complaints with the figures" thus approving them as prepared.

The supervisor presented a "Proposal for Purchase of ELECTRONIC VOTE TALLY SYSTEMS and was advised to send to the county manager.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Roger Isaac, Secretary

April 15, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Wednesday, April 15, 1981 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Roger Isaac.

The reading of the minutes were dispensed with as per motion from Lewis Waddell as each member had a copy prior to this meeting. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and act on moving the Claremont precinct. This was also discussed at the January 28, 1981 meeting at which time it was decided unanimously that the Claremont Elementary School be investigated before a decision be made to move there. Mr. Yount and Mr. Isaac went to the school on April 6, 1981 for this purpose and reported their findings at this meeting. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to move the Claremont precinct #6 from the Claremont City Hall Fire Department to Claremont Elementary School

This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously approved.

The supervisor was instructed to proceed with the necessary advertising of said fact and to instruct Mr. Bobby Benson, City Manager of Claremont.

The moving of South Newton Precinct #32 was also discussed. The board is waiting to hear from the consistory of Grace Reform Church.

In other items of business a Seminar Bulletin from the State Board of Elections was discussed and as requested by the State Board to be placed in the minutes of the County Board of Elections, a copy of the Bulletin was sent to the following:

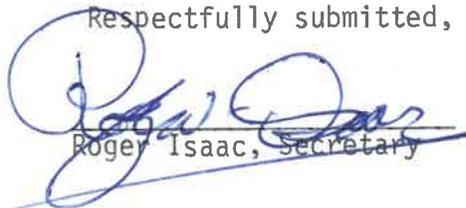
Jean Frye, Town Clerk for the Town of Brookford
 Dolly Pope, Town Clerk for the Town of Catawba
 Sherman Butler, Town Chairman of Board of Elections for
 Town of Longview
 Rita Williams, City Clerk for City of Newton and to
 Mr. Albert Yount, Chairman Catawba County Board of Elections
 Lewis Waddell, Member and Roger Isaac Secretary.

These copies were mailed March 19, 1981. The seminar Bulletin was dated 3/17/81.

The resignation of JoAnn Morrow, Registrar for East Maiden was accepted and by motion of Albert Yount, Mary Ellen Richard was appointed Registrar for East Maiden. This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously approved. The recommendation was made by Mary Frances Busbee Chairman Democrat Party.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Roger Isaac, Secretary

June 15, 1981 8: 30 A M Monday

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, June 15, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the board of elections. Members present were Albert M. Yount, chairman, Lewis Waddell and Roger Isaac.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

One of the purposes of the meeting was to review and discuss the contract and agreement with the City of Newton to conduct their municipal elections.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that we accept the contract and agreement with Resolution to have absentee ballots in their municipal election.

This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously approved.

Another item on the agenda was moving of the polling place for South Newton Precinct #32.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to move from South Newton Elementary School to The Grace Reformed United Church of Christ Parrish Hall.

This motion was seconded by Roger Isaac and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Albert Yount that the Board of Election notify the Newton-Conover School Superintendent and each board member of the Newton-Conover Board of Education that the Board of Elections is moving the South Newton Precinct/polling place in accordance with our commitment to them and that this letter be made a part of these minutes. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Mr. N S Cranford, Superintendnet
Newton -Conover City Schools
West 6th Street
Newton, N C 28658

Dear Mr. Cranford:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in session June 15, 1981 to review and discuss the moving of the polling place for South Newton Pct.

The Catawba County Board of Elections is moving the polling place of South Newton Precinct to Grace Reformed United Church of Christ Parrish Hall. This action is taken in accordance with our earlier commitment to the Newton Conover Board of Education to move the South Newton Polling Place.

However, the Catawba County Board of Election advises you that this in no way restricts the Board of Election from moving the South Newton Polling place back to South Newton School should the need arise.

Sincerely yours,
CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Albert M. Yount, Chairman

AMY:jcr

cc: Newton Conover Board of Education Board Members

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The supervisor advised the board members that the Monogram Community Center wants to increase the rent from \$25.00 to \$50.00 for the use of their building on election day, but the fee is negotiable.

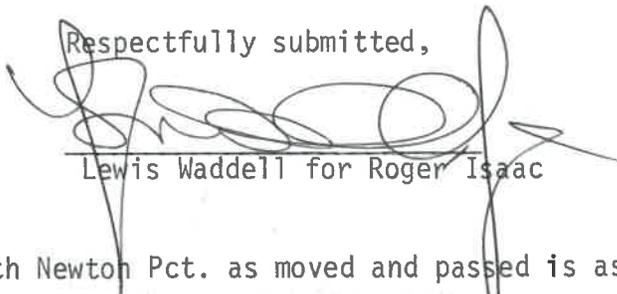
No decision was made at this time.

Mr. Jimmy Johnson, Principal of Claremont Elementary School called and talked with Mr. Yount about the voting location at the Claremont Elementary School. It was unanimous by board members present that the voting location would be in the Gym with Mr. Johnson assuring the members he would guarantee that parking would be no problem.

Much discussion was done by Mr. Yount, Mr. Waddell and Mr. Isaac about the possible merging of some of the smaller precincts. It was by unanimous decision by board members that this needed to be done and before the county purchased the voting tabulators as it would be a considerable savings to the county. It was by unanimous decision that this item be a primary item to be resolved by the new board members being sworn on June 16, 1981 12 noon.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Lewis Waddell for Roger Isaac

The Resolution to move South Newton Pct. as moved and passed is as follows:

RESOLUTION REGARDING CHANGE OF PRECINCT #32 South Newton Polling Place

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 163-128 allows the county board of elections to change voting places within a precinct:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Catawba County Board of Elections that the voting place for Precinct #32 S Newton will be changed from S Newton Elementary School TO the Grace Reformed United Church of Christ Parrish Hall, 117 East J Street, Newton, North Carolina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be filed with the North Carolina State Board of Elections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice shall be given by Advertisement in a newspaper having general circulation in Catawba County, by posting a copy of this resolution at the Catawba County Courthouse door, and by mailing a copy of this resolution to the chairman of every political party in the county of Catawba.

I, Albert M. Yount, Chairman of the Catawba County Board of Elections, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, exact and correct copy of a Resolution unanimously adopted by the Catawba County Board of Elections at a meeting of said Board of Elections on June 15, 1981.

Witness my hand and seal, of this County, this 15 day of June, 1981.

/s/ Albert M. Yount
Chairman, Catawba County Board of Elections

June 16, 1981 12 noon

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections after first being duly sworn before Mrs. Eunice W. Mauney, Clerk of Superior Court, held its organizational meeting in the office of the Board of Elections for the purpose of electing its officers.

The new board members are as follows: Mr. Albert M Yount
Mr. Lewis Waddell Jr
Mr. Alex Williams

Board Members sworn 6/16/1981 were: Mr. Albert Yount and Mr.
Lewis Waddell

Mr. Alex Williams was out of town and will be sworn before the Clerk of Superior Court on 6/19/81.

The first item of business was to elect a chairman and secretary.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to re-elect Mr. Albert Yount as Chairman. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by board members present.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that the item of electing a secretary be tabled until Mr. Alex Williams is sworn and at that time elect him as secretary. This was unanimous by board members present.

The supervisor gave each board member a State Board "Important Reminder" pertaining to appointment of Registrars, Judges, Assistants & Special Registration Commissioners that was received in office 6/16/81.

The supervisor gave each board member "Duties and Responsibilities for the Supervisor" for their approval and to be made a part of the minutes. It was unanimous that this be taken up at the next board meeting.

Mr. Lewis Waddell suggested and requested that prior to each regular board meeting, not a call meeting, that Mrs. Rudisill prepare an agenda for each board member to have a day in advance of the meeting, so the members can be aware of the items of business to be taken care of.

The supervisor advised the board that a letter had been received from Wake County who is hosting the Municipal Seminar and reported that copies of the letter were mailed to the following in accordance with direction from the State Board:

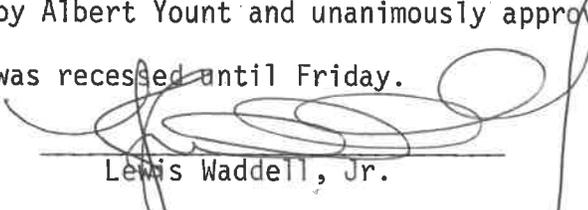
- Jean Frye, Town Clerk for the Town of Brookford
- Dolly Pope, Town Clerk for the Town of Catawba
- Sherman Butler, Town Chairman of Board of Elections for Longview
- Rita Williams, City Clerk of the City of Newton and

each member of the Catawba County Board of Elections

These copies were mailed April 16, 1981. The letter was dated 4/13/81.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that in compliance with the Statute we recess this meeting until Mr. Williams is sworn on Friday 6/19/81 and for Mrs. Rudisill to get in touch with Mr. Williams and make necessary arrangements as to a time the meeting can be set. Motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was recessed until Friday.


Lewis Waddell, Jr.

Friday, June 19, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the Board of Elections on Friday, June 19, 1981 at 8:30 A M. Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

Mr. Albert Yount, chairman, presided. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect a secretary to the Board of Elections as per Statute. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to elect Alex Williams as Secretary. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Mr. Alex Williams designated the supervisor to record and maintain the minute book under his supervision per G. S. 163-31.

The supervisor was instructed to write both party chairmen in regard to the appointment of the Registrars and Judges for the precincts along with the "Important Reminder" from the State Board of Elections. The parties recommendations must be in the office of the Board of Elections on or before July 30, 1981. It was also discussed about the number of registrations to appoint from each party.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that the Board limit the number of Registration Commissioners to 2 Democrats and 2 Republicans, and that the Registrars and Judges be restricted to register in their own respective precincts. Discussion was called. Alex Williams ask that the motion be tabled until next meeting.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to adopt "Duties and Responsibilities" for the supervisor and they be made a part of these minutes. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The Duties and Responsibilities of the Supervisor of Catawba County adopted this 19 day of June, 1981 are as follows:

DUTIES OF SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF CATAWBA COUNTY OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DOES HEREBY DELEGATE TO THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS THE FOLLOWING DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Organize and supervise daily work of the office, supervise the procedure for receiving and approving applications for registration. Serve as registrar at large to register or transfer citizens. 163-80(2)
2. Develop and maintain methods and procedures for handling board records and documents; maintain files on previous elections; act as a public relations director for Catawba County Board of Elections. Release information to the press except when policy or the judicial function of the board is affected. To release material and information concerning registration and elections to the public, and supervise the selling of precinct lists of registered voters to those desiring them and accepting fees for same. 163-66

3. Receive notification of candidacy for an elective office, both county and the municipal elections conducted by Catawba County, and keep record of filing fees for each notification after receiving fees. 163-106(a)
4. Prepare all reports required by the State Board of Elections according to the General Statutes, and supervise the accepting and auditing of campaign reports from candidates. If any reports are not filed on time or include illegal contributions, it is the responsibility of the Supervisor of Elections to report the violation to the State Board of Elections.
5. To perform administrative duties related to the permanent registration system such as keeping in an up-to-date condition the registration books, adding all new registrations, making transfers, party changes and removing names of deceased persons and persons who no longer reside in Catawba County and filing in proper files.
6. Prepare necessary correspondence for the Board; maintain timetable of Board duties set forth by the State Board of Elections; notify all board members of all deadlines and meetings, advise board members of all changes in election laws.
7. Maintain board records, prepare all documents concerning the board, attend to routing correspondence of the board, keep the board members informed of any matters requiring their attention. Prepare blackboard for election night and prepare tally sheets for receiving returns.
8. To purchase all equipment and supplies, including all printed materials necessary to the maintenance of the permanent registration system and the conduct of elections in Catawba County.
9. Prepare the ballots for the voting equipment, supervise the storage, maintenance and delivery to the polls of all equipment, also arrange for the distribution of all essential material to the precinct. 163-143, 163-33(6), 163-161(c);
10. Supervise the issuing of absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots, receiving of same and keeping appropriate records. 163-227(b)1, 2, 3:
11. Prepare abstracts and assist the Board in canvassing the returns of all elections; and allow supervisor to receive returns from officials. 163-33(9)
12. Maintain contact with the precinct registrars and judges, notify them of all elections and with the chairman of the Board of Elections instruct the precinct official in conducting elections at the instructional meeting held before each election as per law. Keep the officials informed of changes in the laws concerning their duties. 163-46.
13. Maintain contact with county departments and municipalities concerning election matters. Prepare the budget for the fiscal year and conduct other election business. 163-33(11);
14. Attend State Board of Elections seminars and be aware of all changes in the General Statute pertaining to the Board of Elections.
15. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board.

Adopted this 19 day of June, 1981, and made a part of the minutes of the Catawba County Board of Elections.

/s/ Albert M. Yount, Chairman

There was much discussion between the board members concerning the merging and elimination of some precincts due to the modernizing of the voting system and going to voting tabulators with a savings to the county. The precincts in question are:

Brookford #4
 Green Park #13
 Longview #1
 Longview #2
 North Newton #1
 North Newton #2
 East Newton #10
 West Newton #39.

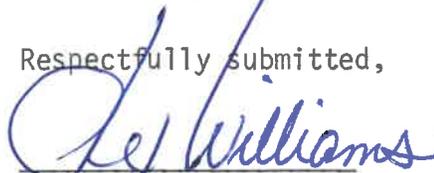
Catawba #5
 Monogram #21
 Sherrills Ford #31

The three above added see minutes
 of July 1, 1981 8:30 A M

It was felt by Lewis Waddell that we couldn't justify modernizing the voting systems and leave the small precincts with the small number of register voters. It was Albert Yount's feelings that he did not want to move a person's voting place, but those such as North Newton #1 and North Newton #2 where their voting place would not be affected, they should be combined. It was agreed by the board members that there were precincts that should be combined and/or eliminated. The supervisor was instructed to write both party chairmen for their input and invite them to the next board meeting. The board meeting was set for July 1, 1981 at 8:30 A M.

There being no further business, Lewis Waddell moved we adjourn and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,


 Alex Williams, Secretary

July 1, 1981 8:30 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Wednesday, July 1, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

Albert Yount, chairman presided. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. An error was noted by Lewis Waddell as that the precincts 5, 21, and 31 were omitted as among those to be discussed pertaining to merging. Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the minutes with the correction noted. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and was unanimously approved, after amending the minutes of 6/19/81.

As old business, the 1st item on the agenda was a "motion by Lewis Waddell to appoint 4 Registration Commissioners, 2 Democrats and 2 Republicans, and that Registrars and Judges to register only in their respective precincts", that was tabled from 6/19/81 meeting until 7/1/81. Discussion was called. The motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to appoint 6 Special library registration deputies at the Elbert Ivey Library in Hickory, 3 Special Library registration deputies at the Catawba County Library and 2 Registration Commissioners at City Hall in Hickory. Discussion ensued and before a second was made, Lewis Waddell ask permission of the board to amend his motion to include 1 Special library registration deputy at the Maiden Branch Library, since she is trained and to make an inquiry to appoint 1 Special library registration deputy at the Sherrills Ford Library, if she is trained. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Mr. Yount recognized special guest, Mr. Curt Vaught, Chairman of Catawba County Democrat Party and Mr. Lee Shillito, Chairman of Catawba County Republican Party for their input and ideas on the following pcts that are being discussed to being merged:

Precincts 24 North Newton 1 and precinct 25 North Newton 2.

Both party chairmen stated they appreciated what the board was trying to do and had had no adverse reaction from anyone. Mr. Shillito thought perhaps the board should wait a while and get public reaction.

Discussed merging of precinct 10 East Newton and precinct 39 West Newton. Mr. Yount felt should leave as is. Mr. Vaught had had some adverse reaction. Mr. Shillito had had no feed back. Mr. Williams and Mr. Waddell felt should be merged.

Mrs. William Rudisill, a resident of West Newton objected to being merged and ask for it to be left as is.

Discussed merging of Longview #1 #17 and Longview #2 #18.

Mr. Vaught had had no objections but had had feed back that it should be done, but was from other precincts. Mr. Shillito had had no feed back.

Discussed Green Park #13 and Brookford #4

Something needs to be done, but what, was feeling of the board.

Mr. Vaught had had some reaction that nothing be done with #4 Brookford.

Next to be discussed was precinct #21 with the idea to eliminate #21 by putting 1/2 in precinct #5 Catawba and the other 1/2 in precinct #31 Sherrill's Ford.

Mr. Vaught related that he had had a great number of calls to leave #21 as is, due most by reason of geography.

Mr. Shillito also had complaints that #21 Monogram is growing and that by reason of geography, it should be left.

Mr. Yount now recognized the delegation from Monogram #21. Robert Eades was spokesman for the group, and presented a petition bearing 265 names of registered voters in Monogram. He made his appeal on behalf of the group and the petition, not to merge Monogram, but leave as is due to geography as well as other things.

Mr. Waddell was in favor of merging Monogram with other precincts but felt the most valid argument was geography.

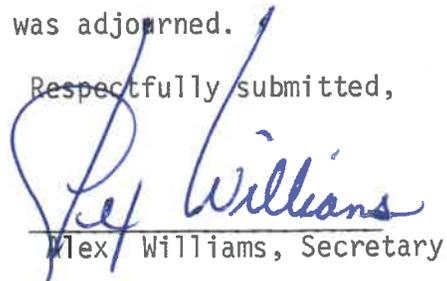
Motion was made by Albert Yount to leave Monogram #21 precinct intact as is. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Mr. Sloan Alexander, chairman of the Community Center was ask to send the board in writing a rental bill, stating actual cost, if there is to be an increase, to justify it.

Mr. Lewis Waddell made a motion that we give notice by virtue of newspaper of a board meeting concerning proposed consolidation of North Newton 1 #24 and North Newton #25 into North Newton precinct; East Newton #10 and West Newton #39 into Central Newton and Longview 1 #17 and Longview 2 #18 into one box; also, to state we will be discussing the possibility of merging areas of Hickory 3 Green Park #13, Hickory 5 Ridgeview #15 and Longview 3 #19. This meeting to be a public hearing 2 weeks from today at 9 a.m. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and was unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

July 15, 1981 7:30 P.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Wednesday, July 15, 1981 at 7:30 P.M. in the Superior Courtroom of Catawba County Courthouse. Members present were Albert Yount, Chairman and Alex Williams. Lewis Waddell was out of town.

The reading of the minutes were dispensed with as per motion from Alex Williams as each member had a copy prior to the meeting. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by members present.

The purpose of the meeting was concerning of possible consolidating precincts North Newton 1, North Newton 2, Longview 1, Longview 2 and West Newton and East Newton. Also boundary changes to Green Park, Ridgeview and Longview 3.

Mr. Curt Vaught and Mr. Lee Shillito, Catawba County Party Chairmen were recognized.

North Newton 1 and North Newton 2 was discussed first. Mr. Vaught stated he had no feed back and had no opposition to the move. Mr. Shillito was of the same opinion, no negative feelings expressed to him. No members of either precinct was present. Mr. Yount personally felt it to be a good move on the board's part to combine North Newton 1 #24 and North Newton 2 #25.

Mr. Alex Williams made the motion that based on the fact the voters of both precincts vote at the same place and committing ourselves to tabulators that North Newton 1 and North Newton 2 be merged and it be called "North Newton Precinct". Discussion called for. One question was called. Mr. Shillito ask "does this make it final"? The answer was "Yes", but it could be changed back.

The motion was second by Albert Yount and unanimously carried by members present.

Longview 1 and Longview 2 were discussed. Mr. Vaught had positive feed back of combining. Mr. Shillito had had no feed back but had personal opinion, rather not discuss. Mr. Yount had had comments pertaining to the change. His own comments were "it would be changing people's voting place and we could overwhelm the school.

Mr. Alex Williams made the motion that in view of the merging, he saw no benefit in merging the 2 precincts, to table any further discussion on Longview 1 #17 and Longview 2 #18 and leave as is.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously carried by members present. For the record, no member of either precinct was present.

West Newton and East Newton were discussed. Both party chairmen of West Newton ask that no change be made. Mr. Stanford Gabriel and Johnny Gabriel spoke on behalf of East Newton and ask that no change be made. The Democrat County chairman had had opposition to the merging..

Motion was made by Albert Yount to table any possible merging of East Newton #10 and West Newton #39.

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously carried by members present.

Mr. Alex Williams made the motion that any further discussion on changing boundary lines for Green Park, Ridgeview and Longview 3 be tabled and that they stay as they are.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously carried by members present.

It was agreed by members present that the requisition for 42 tabulators would stand as sent to purchasing dept, as the 2 precincts merged was taken into account when it was given.

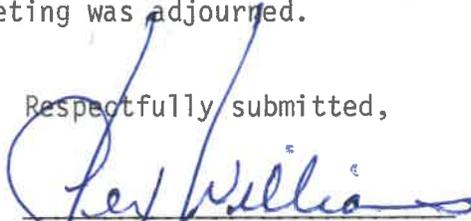
Mr. Yount announced that on Monday, July 13, 1981 at 3 P M, the County Purchasing Department received bids on 42 tabulators for purpose of voting. Bids were received from Computer Election Systems (CES) of Greensboro and Berkley California in the amount of \$163,300.00 with a 5 year lease purchase of 3715.07 per month., and from Airmac Technology Systems (ATS) of Irvine California in the amount of \$161,655.00 with a 5 year lease purchase of 3900.00 per month. Also that the County Purchasing has negotiated a tentative lease saving the county \$13,933.80.

Mr. Yount recognized Mr. Richard Clark and Mr. Russell Sloss with CES, who requested to be heard as to why the County should take the high bid over low bid. Mr. Clark did the presentation on service and support since both companies sell the same identical machine manufactured by Airmac.

The Board members present decided to have a full board present before making a decision on recommending to the Purchasing Dpt. which bid to take and instructed the supervisor to contact Airmac and get the Model number of the Programmer included in their bid.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

RESOLUTION REGARDING TO MERGING
OF PRECINCTS North Newton 1 #24 and North Newton 2 #25

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 163-128 allows the county board of elections to establish, alter, discontinue or create such new election precincts or voting places as it may deem expedient.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Catawba County Board of Elections that the voting precincts of North Newton 1 #24 and North Newton 2 #25 be merged into one precinct and be called North Newton Precinct.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION be filed with the North Carolina State Board of Elections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice shall be given by Advertisement in a newspaper having general circulation in Catawba County, by posting a copy of this resolution at the Catawba County Courthouse door, and by mailing a copy of this resolution to the chairman of every political party in the county of Catawba.

I, Albert M. Yount, Chairman of the Catawba County Board of Elections, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, exact and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Catawba County Board of Elections by majority of members present, at a meeting of said Board of Elections on July 15, 1981
Witness my hand and seal, of this County, this 15th day of July, 1981.

/s/ Albert M. Yount, Chairman
CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

AUGUST 4, 1981 8:30 A.M/

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, August 4th, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Yount with the minutes of the previous meeting being read. A Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to appoint Registrars, Judges, Registration Commissioners and Special Library Registration Deputies.

Motion was made by-Lewis Waddell to appoint the following Registrars and Judges as recommended by the party chairmen

Precinct	Registrar	Dem. Judge	Rep. Judge
1- Balls Creek	Johnny W Wesson	Webb A Wilkinson	Clarence L Mackie
2. Banoak	Evelyn S. Poovey	Glenn Alan Lutz	R Carroll Rhoney
3. Blackburn	Elizabeth S Jarrett	Ophelia R Phillips	H Scott Whisnant
4. Brookford	Paul Bolick	Evelyn L Wilkinson	Ben C Fox, Sr.
5. Catawba	Anne H Gilbert	Melvin Grady Little	Jacob R Abernathy
6. Claremont	Elizabeth W Connor	Brent D Sigmon	Ben T Miller Sr
7. Conover 1	Don Moser Gilbert	Peggy Herman Smith	Adele K Carpenter
8. Conover 2	Dorothy B Workman	Robert Wm Rockett	Carol Zahm
9. East Maiden	JoAnn Morrow	Mary Ellen C Richard	Wm E. Abernethy
10. East Newton	C Frank Asbury	Ophelia Moore	Ted E. Drum
11. Hickory 1 College Park	Barbara H Thomas	Addie S. Hall	David Flowers
12. Hickory 2 Kenworth	Clyde S Seabock	Avery Leroy Reese	Harold H Sigmon
13. Hickory 3 Green Park	Olive M. Kaylor	Margaret Y Reid	Irene H Perkins
14. Hickory 4 Oakwood	Constance H Bray	Rebecca H Ferrell	Mary Sue Williams
15. Hickory 5 Ridgeview	Annette W Jones	Corinthians Frederick	Elaine Witherspoon
16. Highland	Nina E. White	Barbara F Miller	Rachel Suggs
17. Longview 1	Vergie C Dale	Elena S Hewitt	Ruth P Frye
18. Longview 2	Eva T. Ervin	Hettie Ruth Lynch	Mildred Dietz
19. Longview 3	Dorothy W Phillips	Ethel D Dale	Faye B Brittain
20. Maiden	Wilma B. Cline	Mildred B. Keener	Ruby Sigmon
21. Monogram	Jacquelin S Campbell	Betty Bryte Staley	Dera C. Pope
22. Mt. Olive	Clarence Spencer	Archie Harold Black	H Fred Harbinson
23. Mtn. View	Reita D Lackey	Ronald D Hampton	Jean Pitts
24. North Newton	Sarah Ann Lail	Edith C Hewitt	Alma Yancey
26. Oakland Heights	Melissa E Rhyne	Maureen E Teague	Gretchen W Peed
27. Oxford	Cecil Henry Rockett	Jr Ray E. Sigmon	Joe Dale Sigmon
28. St. Stephens 1	Roy M Brewer	J Boyd Isenhower	Janice LaFone
29. St. Stephens 2	Sylvia C Holbrook	Eula Parker Harmon	Carolyn Y Huffman
30. Sandy Ridge	Katherine F Eckard	Willa Dean Adcock	Edith McAlpin
31. Sherrills Ford	Ernest W Lawing	Samuel Locke White	Clyde G Sigmon
32. South Newton	Robert W Hewitt	Gladys S Setzer	Ruby B Cook
33. Springs	Florence P Lail	Izora A Dellinger	Ira Cline
34. Startown	Paul J Fulbright Sr	Peggy Cline Sigmon	Ethel Lutz
35. Sweetwater	Betty Faye Crouch	Berniee S Holler	Melvin Jones
36. Viewmont 1	Archie E Deal	Nell B LaFone	Wilford A Wells, Jr
37. Viewmont 2	Ned C Salley	Eleanor R Hollar	Lois Bigsby
38. Viewmont 3	Betty H. Fowler	Evelyn L Walz	Jeanette Lail
39. West Newton	Mildred S Yount	Marguerite M Trott	Blanche Ikerd
40. Westmont	Irene B Self	Ruth M Humphries	Prue Nell B Gabbard

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by board members.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint as Special Registration Commissioners as recommended by the party chairmen the following:

Mrs. W. H. (Margaret) Hall	D
Mr. Gene Johnson	D
Doris Huffman	R
Nancy McKay	R

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved by board members.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to appoint Special Library Registration Deputies as recommended by the Librarian's for Catawba County Library and Elbert Ivey Memorial Library and Registrars at Large at City Hall in Hickory the following:

Catawba County Library
 Grace Deal
 -Bobbie Greene
 Kathleen Prince
SHERRILLS FORD BRANCH LIBRARY
 Madge Beatty
MAIDEN BRANCH LIBRARY
 Glenda P Goodson
ELBERT IVEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY
 Jean Amelang
 Mary Dawson
 Linda Guess
 Rebecca Hasty
 Naomi Killian
 Jane Shuler
HICKORY CITY HALL
 Mrs. Margaret Baucom
 Olivia Diane Bass

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by board members.

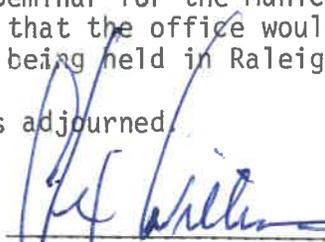
Mr. Yount recognized two special guest, Mr. John Pritchard from the Catawba County Library and Mr. Bob Russell from Elbert Ivey Library. The purpose of their appearance was to request additional registration deputies for approximate 4 weeks before the deadline for registration as it puts a bind on their employees and patrons. They suggested using capable "friends of the Library". It was unanimous by the board to make "POLICY" that The Catawba County Library have 3 persons and Elbert Ivey Library have 5 persons to help out only during the Library hours and to be sworn and trained by the Board of Elections.

House Bill 1222 of the 1981 Session of the General Assembly was discussed as it pertained to Catawba County only. A Resolution was approved unanimously by all board members that a precinct in Catawba County may encompass more than one township and each person registered to reflect this.

It was unanimous by the board members that they would follow the set motion of previous boards in allowing the registrar to contact the judge of the opposite party in selecting their assistants for any election using the system of the first two clerks to be one of each political party, with the third being a Democrat, if a fourth is needed, this to be a Republican.

The N C State Board of Election Instructional Seminar for the Municipal Election of 1981 was discussed. The supervisor advised that the office would be closed August 6 & 7th so that all could attend. It is being held in Raleigh.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

 Secretary

August 27, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, August 27, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Yount with the minutes of the previous meeting being read. A motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the minutes as read. This motion was ^{seconded} approved by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to accept the resignations of the following:

- Rachel Suggs, Republican Judge of Highland Precinct
- Faye B Brittain, Republican Judge of Longview 8.
- Wilfred Andrew Wells, Jr, Republican Judge of Viewmont 1
- Irene Selp, Registrar for Westmont
- Wilma Cline, Registrar for Maiden
- Boyd Isenhower, Democrat Judge of St. Stephens 1 &
- Hettie Lynch, Democrat Judge of Longview 2.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to appoint Jerry Stallings, Registrar of Maiden precinct and Helen Lockman, Democrat Judge for Longview 2, as recommended by Curt Vaught, Chairman of Catawba County Democrat Party. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously carried.

The members discussed SB 239 Chapter 152 of the General Statutes that "allows the chairman to direct the precinct officials to deliver the precinct records on the day following an election at staggered times to facilitate more orderly checking". This bill made law what a majority of counties were already doing.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that we comply with the new law, and request the appointed official to come in to the office on Wednesday and the office personnel to audit the returns, and if any problem or the returns differ from what was called in on Tuesday night, the official be requested to be at the Canvass on Thursday at 11 A M. A schedule to be set up for the officials to come to the office. This motion was unanimous by all board members.

The supervisor was advised that the office was to continue to prepare the abstracts for the Thursday Canvass as has been done in the past..

The members discussed SB 240 Chapter 153 which permits county board to direct officials a method of delivery of the duplicate precinct return. It was decided the official could bring one copy of the return to the Board of Elections on Election night, or bring both returns with them on Wednesday when they bring in their records as indicated in Chapter 152. This was unanimous by all board members.

As set out in the above statute, the chairman authorized the supervisor to receive the returns for any election on election night or in the mail, and on Wednesday when records and supplies are received.

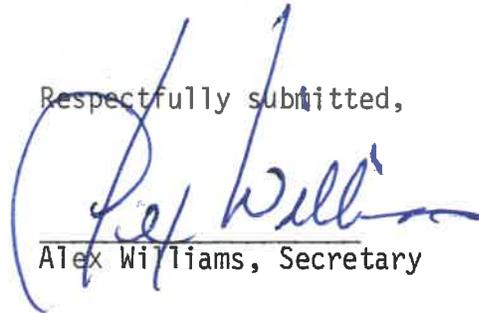
The Board members reviewed and approved a facsimile ballot of the Hickory Municipal Primary and City of Newton election as previously approved by the State board with understanding the names of candidates be put on ballot in strict alphabetical order

It was agreed by board members that the chairman would sign a few facsimile ballots at a time to have on hand for absentee voting in order to have absentee ballots on September 9, 1981 as impossible to have ballots printed from the 4th of September until September 9, 1981

The Hickory Primary Election and Newton Election instructional meetings were discussed and decided by all board members that we would comply with the law and have as scheduled in September at Newton, and another with all precincts in learning the tabulator in October in preparation for the municipal elections in November 1981.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alex Williams", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Alex Williams, Secretary

September 3, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County- Board of Elections met on Thursday, September 3, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Alex Williams.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Yount with the minutes of the previous meeting being read. A motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the minutes as read. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved by members present.

The purpose of the meeting was to hear from two registered voters of Catawba County that wished to formally challenge some registrants that did not live in Oakland Heights Precinct. Mrs Suzzanne H Hambrick and Mrs. Ann Moye appeared and challenged the following persons under oath:

- Rozanne Blevins, Peter Beckwith, Barbara P. Beckwith, Cynthia Lee Bost, Teresa Ann Bost, Theresa Gail Dunlap, Pasqualena Gorry, Cyril L. Hammer, Jr, Paula C Hammer, Chas E Hayes, William G Hilton, Thomas N Kern, Jane W. Kern, Lucille Lewis Lynch, Hannah A Moye Mosteller, John Scott Nisbet, Richard Lamar Lail, John M Parmelee, Mildred Fair Parmelee, Bessie Peeler, Sue Ann Servoss, Doris Tucker, Melvin Tucker and Sarah M Wells.

A first class letter will be mailed to each person giving date, time and place to answer the challenge. That meeting being set for September 15, 1981 at 8:30 A M

Mr. Albert Yount made motion to appoint the following Republican Judges as recommended by Lee Shillito, Chairman Republican Party:

- Elmer Lint, Conover 1 Clara Hall, Longview 2
- Eric Keener East Maiden Dorcas Holland, Longview 3
- Ruth McGlamery East Newton Nell Thomas, Viewmont 1
- Phyllis Zorn Oakwood
- Mary Alice Cagle, Highland

and the following as recommended by Curt Vaught, Chairman, Democrat Party:
Rodney Bradford, Democrat Judge of Monogram

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved by members present.

The supervisor gave each member present the schedule of meetings to approve absentee ballots. It was unanimous that the supervisor would call the members if there were any applications to approve. They would not meet on scheduled dates if no need to.

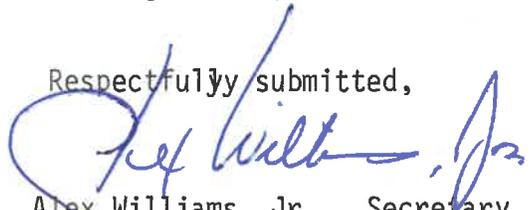
The members discussed SB 240 Chapter 153 again and resinded the previous motion. This bill permits county boards to direct officials a method of delivery of the duplicate precinct return.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to require the officials to bring into the office on election night the duplicate return, the other copy they would bring to audit on Wednesday. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The members discussed the instructional meetings for the Primary and elections. The October Primary in Hickory and the Newton Election in City of Newton. Those instructional meetings set for September 22 in Hickory and September 24 at the courthouse in Newton. The tabulator instructional meetings were discussed. The supervisor advised that Charlene Webber with Airmac Technology Systems suggested October 26, 27, 28 and 29 (if we wanted 4 meetings) and thought she could be here to help with it. In discussion it was decided to have 2 meetings in Hickory and 2 meetings in Newton and by having 4 meetings the groups would be smaller and better to work with. This was unanimous by members present.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alex Williams, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Alex Williams, Jr Secretary

September 15, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, September 15, 1981 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Lewis Waddell. Mr. Alex Williams was detained and came late.

The reading of the minutes were dispensed with as per motion from Lewis Waddell as each member had a copy prior to the meeting. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to delete from the voter registration of Catawba County the 23 registrants in Oakland Heights precinct that were challenged as to not living in Oakland Heights precinct on September 3, 1981 since letters were sent as per statute and the office had not response. (Minute Book 2 page 65) This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following one-stop application and ballot:

OS-1

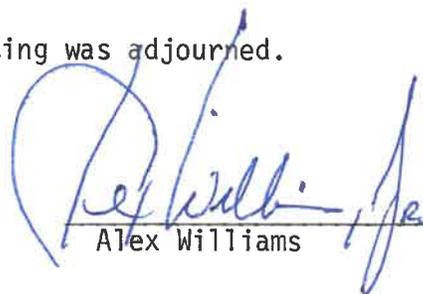
This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to accept the resignation of Marguerite Trott, Democrat Judge in West Newton precinct due to health. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

It was unanimously by all board members to make policy and allow the Registrar's to pick up their supplies on Thursday or Friday prior to an election. (Statute states three (3) days before primary or election, this makes it Saturday and the office is closed so the state allows Friday and Catawba County allows Thursday or Friday).

The supervisor advised the board members we had received a copy of the "equipment Purchase Order" giving delivery date by October 31, 1981, also we requested Mylar overlays for printing ballots and have been advised they were shipped, for the Airmac Tabulator.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary
Alex Williams

October 1, 1981 8:30 A. M.
5th day before election

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, October 1, 1981 at 8:30 A.M. in the office of the board of elections. Members present were: Albert M. Yount and Alex Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with due to each member having a copy, and a motion was made by Alex Williams to approve them as submitted. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The purpose of the meeting was to review absentee applications, as follows:

OS-2, A-1 and A-2

It was unanimous by board members present that the above be approved.

For the record, Mr. Yount in complying with GS 163-41, appointed Willie Yount to serve as Democrat Judge in West Newton and Woodrow Barger, Registrar for Westmont precinct on 9/22/81 in order to have them at the instructional meetings. Mr. Curt Vaught had made the recommendations.

Upon recommendation of Curt Vaught, Democrat Chairman of Catawba County, it was unanimous by board members present that W. Jerry Twigs be appointed as Democrat Judge for St. Stephens #2 #29.

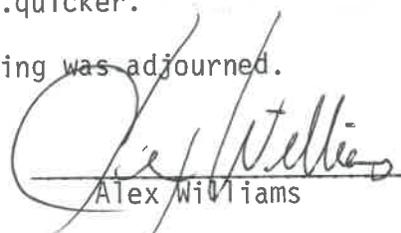
The board heard a report from Sue Brewer about a telephone call from Mr. Larry Foster in regard to the Election in Ward 4 in the Hickory Primary on 10/6/81. Mr. Foster is the campaign manager for Webster Lytle. He raised several questions, presented no facts, basically rumors, the board heard all from her, but did not ^{have} sufficient evidence to act on.

The supervisor advised the board of a telephone call from Donna Andrews with the Westmont Recreation, asking if we could hold our October election in the Westmont Center (Sr. Citizens Center) which is about 25 feet from the Gym. She was told "no" for the October & November election, It was the feelings of the board members present that perhaps we could consider that for the May 1982 election. The supervisor was advised to write Mr. Wells and get his feelings on this move.

The supervisor advised the board of the Election on October 6, 1981, that they were to be in the office of the Election approximately 6 A M and to be available all day. Absentee ballots will be counted at 5 P M. In compliance with the law, board members will be present on Thursday October 8, 1981 at 11 A M for the canvass.

The supervisor ask the board members present about using a facsimile ballot for the November 3, 1981 Municipal elections in lieu of the printed Official ballot since the office could not receive them from the printer till approximately October 15 or 19. It was unanimous by board members to do this since it would be easier and we could accomodate the public quicker.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary
Alex Williams

October 2, 1981 8:30 A M Friday

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 2, 1981 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Alex Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. A Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimous approved.

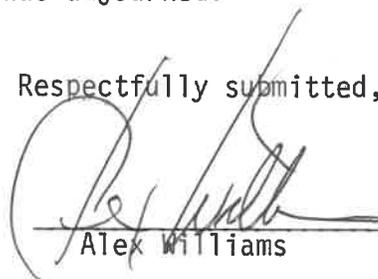
The purpose of the meeting was to approve the following Absentee Application:
B-1

A motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the application. The motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The board members present reviewed the facsimile ballots for the tabulator. They were approved unanimously by board members present. The supervisor informed the board members she would not have time to get them approved by the respective city attorneys, as they needed to go to the printer after 12 noon.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

Alex Williams

October 6, 1981 6:00 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 6, 1981 at approximately 6 A M to supervise the City of Newton General Election and The City of Hickory Primary Election. Members present Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams, each coming at staggered times.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by all board members to approve the following absentee application:

A-1, A-2, and A-3

Mr. Yount and Mr. Williams challenged Mr. Robert Boyee Setzer's voter registration, reason being he "does not live in the precinct where he is registered".

The challenge meeting was set for October 16, 1981 at 8:30 A M. A first class letter will be mailed to Mr. Setzer giving date, time and place to answer the challenge.

It was unanimous by board members to appoint Nell Kanipe as Temporary Democrat Judge in Pct. #10 East Newton.

The board members dispersed to check precinct polling places, to check back on and off with the office.

It was unanimous by all 3 board members that the ballot boxes, signed and sealed for the 3 Hickory Precincts, in the possession of the Registrars, will be brought to the election office on audit day.

The board members reconvened in the office of the Board of Elections at 5 P M to count absentee ballots.

Three (3) absentee ballots were counted, with the results being as follows:

Hickory Municipal Primary for Alderman, Ward No. 4

Ellis O. Johnson	0	
Webster E. Lytle	1	
Edgar E (Gene) Rhyne	0	Absentee votes
Ralph Ivey Starnes	0	

CITY OF NEWTON ELECTION

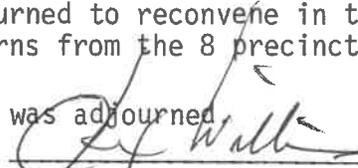
Wayne Dellinger Mayor	2
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Aldermen

John Boyett	1
Carlos DeTorres	1
Thurmond (Nink) Harvell	0
Mary Bess Lawing	2
Yates E. Martin	0
L. M. (Mike) Moore	1
James I (Jim) Stockner	1

The absentee voters names were entered into the Absentee Poll Book and signed by all board members. The board members adjourned to reconvene in the office of the Board of Elections to receive precinct returns from the 8 precincts involved in the municipal elections.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary

OCTOBER 8th, 1981 11:00 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, October 8, 1981 at 11:00 A.M. in the Superior Courtroom in the Catawba County Courthouse to canvass the votes for the October 6, 1981 City of Hickory Primary and The City of Newton Election. Members present were Albert Yount and Lewis Waddell. Albert Yount presided and called meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor advised there were no changes found in comparing returns and no errors made in reporting on Tuesday night from the returns brought to office on Tuesday night and on Wednesday for the Audit. The two returns were personally reviewed by board members present as per statute, and found no errors. It was unanimous by board members that the election of October 6, 1981 be officially certified at 11:10 A.M. with the abstracts being recorded by Lewis Waddell, Sue Brewer and Joyce Rudisill.

The official results of the canvass stand as follows, absentee votes included:

Hickory Primary FOR ALDERMAN WARD 4		City of Newton FOR MAYOR	
	Votes		Votes
Ellis O. Johnson	41	Wayne Dellinger	608
Webster E Lytle	235	Bobby Abernathy	1 Write in
Edgar E (Gene) Rhyne	100	Earnest D. Clapp	1 "
Ralph Ivey Starnes	96	B. L. Clemmer	2 "
		J W Abernathy 3rd	1 "
		Ted Setzer	1 "
		Polka Dot Wilson	2 "
		B L Clemmer Jr	1 "
		Ralph Jones	1 "
		Bill Allen	1 "
		H H Houser	1 "
		Ted Reitzel	1 "
		FOR ALDERMEN (Vote for Three)	
		John Boyett	295
		Carlos DeTorres	216
		Thurmond (Nink) Harvell	354
		Mary Bess Lawing	506
		Yates E. Martin	178
		L M (Mike) Moore	295
		James I (Jim) Stockner	366

Mr. Yount announced that Mr. Webster E. Lytle and Edgar E (Gene) Rhyne would be on the November 3, 1981 ballot for the City of Hickory Election, and that Mr. Wayne Dellinger was duly elected as Mayor for the City of Newton and Mary Bess Lawing was duly elected Alderman for the City of Newton.

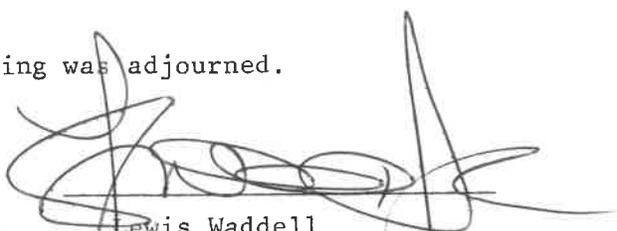
After the elections were certified, the board members received a request in writing personally delivered by Mr. John Boyett requesting a run-off since the two remaining

seats on the City of Newton Board of Alderman were not won by a majority. The request was accepted by the Board Members. The supervisor was advised by board members to advertise the fact of a run-off in the paper having general coverage, stating facts pertaining to election.

It was unanimous by board members present to approve the following absentee application:

A-4

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Lewis Waddell

Note: Mr. L. M. (Mike) Moore this day personally appeared before Supervisor and presented in writing a request for a run-off for alderman for the City of Newton to be held on November 3, 1981. Albert Yount, Chairman accepted this request on behalf of the Board and advised Supervisor to design ballot containing the names for Alderman for the City of Newton, Vote for Two as follows: John Boyett, Thurmond (Nink) Harvell, L. M.(Mike) Moore and James I.(Jim) Stockner.

October 16, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 16, 1981 at 8:30 A M in office of the Board of Elections. Members present were, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams. Mr. Albert Yount had a previous appointment and ask to be excused.

The reading of the minutes were dispensed with, and a Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the minutes as each member had a copy prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the following absentee applications:

A-5, A-6, A-7, and A-8

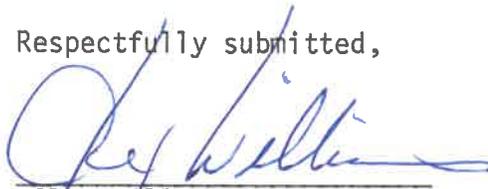
This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The challenge for R. B. Setzer was discussed. It was unanimous by board members present to change the address for R B Setzer to the Catawba County Jail and he be informed of his voting place for all future elections.

The supervisor advised the board members present of the Tabulator Instructional Meetings to be held October 26, 27, 28, & 29, and gave each their letter, a copy, that will be mailed to the election officials.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Alex Williams, Jr, Secretary

Note: Mr. Setzer came and was informed of the board's decision.

October 26, 1981 8:30 A M Monday
(8th day before election)

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, October 26, 1981 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Lewis Waddell.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. A Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimous approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the following Absentee Applications:

A-9, A-10, A-11, A-12, A-13, A-14 and OS-1

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the appointment of Helen Duncan as Temporary D Judge in St. Stephens 1 precinct, as recommended by Curt Vaught, Democrat Chairman for Catawba County. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by board members present that the office would not need 2 additional phones on election day.

It was unanimous by board members that 1 person be secured to work in the office on election day.

It was unanimous by board members present that the voting place for Westmont precinct be kept at Westmont School Gym due to the convenience of workers and voters.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Lewis Waddell, Member

7:30 P M 10/26/81 1st instructional meeting for tabulators.

Albert Yount and Alex Williams attended.

Tuesday, October 27, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 27, 1981 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by board members present to approve the following absentee applications:

- B-1, B-2, A-15, A-16, OS-2, OS-3, OS-4, and OS-5

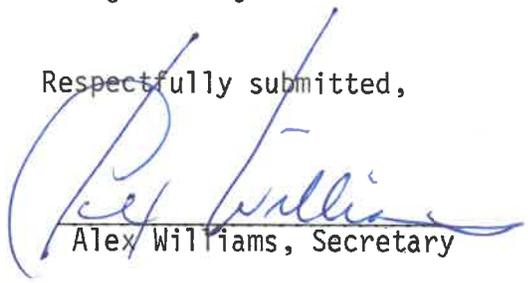
The Newton/Conover Board of Education, Conover District boundary lines were discussed due to letters sent out from the Board of Elections. It was decided that going from the tax map that all corrections made were in order and that the voters involved were notified in the Random Hills Section of Conover,

The office has received a list of the residents in the area that the City of Conover is attempting to annex effective October 30, 1981. The board discussed this thoroughly. Mr. Albert Yount made the motion that the Boards interpretation of 160A-38(i) does not entitle the people living in this area to vote until the resolution of that matter as set forth in by statute is settled. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams, and unanimously approved.

The board discussed the voting tabulators that are being programmed for the precincts etc. In the discussion it was decided that a poster be printed explaining a write-in to be placed in the precincts since the ballot format is new.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

Note:

2nd instructional meeting on tabulators.
Alex Williams attended

October 29, 1981 8:30 A M
5th day before election

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, October 29, 1981 in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. A Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following Absentee Applications:

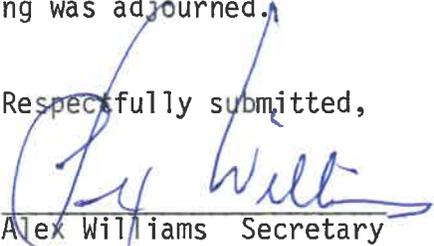
B-3, B-4, A-17, OS-6 & OS-7

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

In accordance with GS 163-33.2 the chairman and board members checked by test vote of the voting tabulators to be used on November 3, 1981. The ones test vote were: Serial #417 assigned to pct. 4, Serial #379 assigned to pct. 8. This statute stated that "no less than 10 percent (10%) of the tabulators be checked. In this election 30 tabulators are being used. The board by unanimous decision appointed Charlene Webber with ATS along with the supervisor to test vote any others so desired. Some of them are: Serial #415 assigned to pct. 6, Serial No. #419 assigned to pct. 7. But all 30 were test voted.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Alex Williams Secretary

3rd instructional meeting 10/28/81
Albert Yount & Alex Williams attended

October 30, 1981 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 30, 1981 in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were: Albert Yount and Alex Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. A Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve as read. This motion was second by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint as temporary officials the following as recommended by Curt Vaught, Chairman Democrat Party of Catawba County:

- Temporary Registrar for Sandy Ridge pct. Willa Dean Adcock
- Temporary Dem. Judge for Sandy Ridge pct. Pauline Moretz
- Temporary Dem. Judge for Longview 3 pct. Ducille White

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

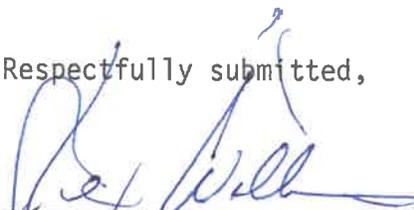
It was by unanimous decision by board members present that the following absentee applications be approved.

OS-8, OS-9, OS-10, B-5, & B-6

The situation in College Park where there is a missing Republican Judge was discussed. It was decided that a Republican be appointed if at all possible, but if impossible, the Democrat Assistant will serve, but not as a Judge. You cannot have 2 judges of the same party.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

NOVEMBER 3, 1981 6 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, November 3, 1981 at approximately 6 A M to supervise the Municipal and School District elections. Members present were: Albert Yount and Alex Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by board members present to appoint Martin McRee as Temporary Democrat Judge in Conover 2 as recommended by Curt Vaught, chairman of Democrat party in Catawba County.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint Assistants in the precinct as submitted by the Registrar. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously carried.

About 8:30 Mr. Williams had to go to court for a short time but would be checking back in to go check some polling places. Mr. Yount went with Charlene Webber and Bill Rudisill to check precinct polling places. 27 precincts were checked during the day, some twice with the sales representatives from Airmac Technology Systems of California, Charlene Webber and Ron Taylor.

NOVEMBER 3rd, 1981 5 P M

The board members reconvened back in the office of the board of elections at 5 P M to count absentee ballots. They being Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

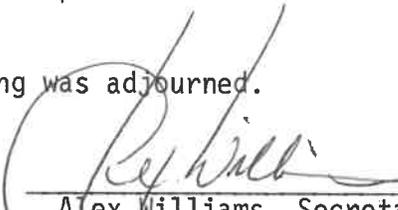
Twenty Four Absentee ballots were counted with the results being as follows:

Claremont Municipal		Hickory Municipal Cont'd. Absentee Votes
Mayor	Absentee votes	Alderman, Ward 6
Carroll Sigmon	0	G. Hilton
Councilman:		
G Carpenter	0	Hickory Bd. of Education
C. Cole	0	Ward 1:
Conover Municipal		W. Barkley
Mayor:		W. Pitts
Franklin Herman	1	WARD 2:
Councilman:		R. Newton
P. Headrick	1	H. Poovey
C. Wanzer	1	WARD 3:
C. Watts	1	B McCurry
Hickory Municipal		K Younce
Mayor:		WARD 5:
R. Ford	1	A. Showfety
W. McDonald	5	L. Young
Alderman, Ward 4		
W. Lytle	3	N/C Board of Ed.
E. Rhyne	2	Conover Dist:
Alderman, Ward 5		C. Lewis
P. Yount	4	R McNeely

N/C Board of Ed. Cont'd:	Votes	Newton Municipal Run-off	VOTES
Newton Dist:		Alderman:	
F. Abernethy	9	J. Boyett	2
D Griffin Jr	2	T. Harvell	3
J McGee	5	L. Moore	6
Maiden Municipal		J. Stockner	9
Mayor:			
H. Hipp	0		
R. Smyre	1		
COUNCILMAN:			
H. Biggerstaff	1		
D. Frye	0		
E. Heffner	1		
M Midgett	0		
C Parker	0		

The absentee voters names were entered into the Absentee Poll Book and signed by all board members. The board members adjourned to reconvene in the Superior Court Room to receive precinct returns from the 30 precincts involved in the municipal and school district elections.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.


 Alex Williams, Secretary

NOVEMBER 5, 1981 11:00 A.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, November 5, 1981 at 11 A.M. in the Superior Courtroom in the Catawba County Courthouse to canvass the votes from the November 3, 1981 General Election. Members present were: Mr. Albert Yount, Mr. Lewis Waddell and Mr. Alex Williams.

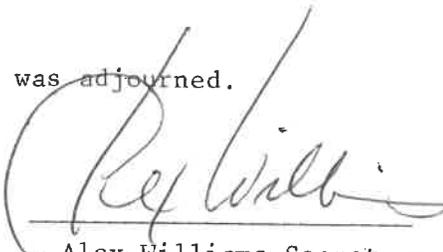
The supervisor advised that there were no changes found in comparing the two returns against the tally sheet that was recorded on Tuesday night. The two returns were personally reviewed by all three board members, and found no errors. The tally sheet was checked by the supervisor, Joyce Rudisill with Sue Brewer recording on the abstracts. It was unanimous by all board members that the election of November 3, 1981 be officially certified.

The official results of the canvass stand as follows, absentee votes included:

Claremont Municipal Election	VOTES	Ward 5:	VOTES
Mayor:		Albert (Bert) Showfety	402
Carroll G. Sigmon	124	Lois W. Young	588
Councilman:		Newton Board of Education	
Gary W. Carpenter	111	Conover District:	
Clarence T. Cole	40	G. W. Lewis	291
Jack Bost	94	Ruth W McNeely	318
Conover Municipal Election		Newton District:	
Mayor:		Flora Belle Abernethy	636
Franklin D (Sonny) Herman	491	Doc Griffin, Jr	332
Councilman:		John (Johnny) McGee	537
Paul E Headrick	458		
C Robert (Bob) Wanzer	369	Maiden Municipal Election	
Carl H. Watts	197	Mayor:	
Hickory Municipal Election		Harry L Hipps	174
Mayor:		Robert L (Bob) Smyre	426
Robert C. (Bob) Ford	324	COUNCILMAN:	
William R (Bill) McDonald III	2378	Harold R Biggerstaff	380
Alderman, Ward 4:		David A. Frye	87
Webster E. Lytle	1587	Mrs John (Edna Mae) Heffner	347
Edgar E (Gene) Rhyne	1290	Mrs. Ida W. Kirkman	328
Alderman, Ward 5:		Marcus C Midgett	365
Philip C. Yount	1833	Cecil S Parker	206
Alderman, Ward 6 :			
Glenn C. Hilton, Jr.	1879	City of Newton Run-off	
Hickory Board of Education		Alderman:	
Ward 1		John Boyett	298
William S (Bill) Barkley	200	Thurmond (Nink) Harvell	476
William P. Pitts	441	L. M (Mike) Moore	381
Ward 2:		James I (Jim) Stockner	422
Ruebelle A. Newton	197		
Harold K. Poovey	74		
Ward 3:			
Billy L. McCurry	287		
Kathy D. Younce	252		

Mr. Yount advised the other 2 board members of a complaint that he had received about one of the candidates for the Conover District of Newton/Conover Board of Education stuffing fliers promoting their candidacy in mail boxes in the district. They all acknowledged the complaint, but agreed that there was nothing for the Catawba County Board of Elections to do about it. It was a case for the postal inspectors. The State Board of Elections was also contacted and advised the same.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Alex Williams, Secretary