

Tuesday, January 11, 1983 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 Tuesday, January 11, 1983 at 8:30 A. M.  
Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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.

Purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications. Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the following absentee applications:

A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 and A-5

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to preserve all congressional ballots, put in plastic bags and mark by designated precincts for a period of 22 months, all other used ballots to be burned in the Catawba Memorial Hospital incinerator. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Albert Yount, chairman and the supervisor set January 27, 1983 as the date for the instructional meeting pertaining to the Newton ABC Referendum.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respecttfully submitted,



Alex Williams

Tuesday, January 18, 1983 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 Tuesday, January 18, 1983 at 8:30 A. M.

Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams. (Albert came late).

Minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Motion was made by Lewis to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications. Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the following absentee applications:

A-6, A-7, B-1, OS-1, OS-2 and OS-3.

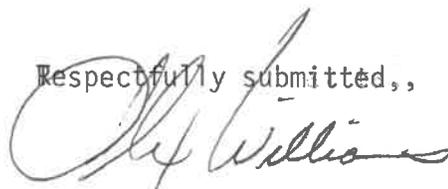
This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to appoint Irma Long as Registrar in Mt. Olive #22 pct and Carrie Forbis Democrat Judge in North Newton pct #24 as recommended by Curt Vaught, Chairman of Catawba County Democrat Party.

Inquiry was made by Alex Williams if the November 2, 1982 used ballots had been burned as instructed. The supervisor advised that they were to be burned by appointment between 1 and 2 P M on January 18, 1983 in the hospital incinerator. Albert Yount instructed the supervisor to go with the ballots and supervise their burning. (The supervisor went with Dean Brooks and Billy Travis to the hospital incinerator on 1/18/83 and did witness the burning of the ballots from the November 2, 1982 election at 2:29 P M. (Mr. Brooks and Mr. Travis are with the county maintenance department).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,,



Alex Williams

Friday, January 28, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of he Board of Elections on Friday, January 28, 1983 at 8:30 A. M. Members present were Albert Yount and Alex Williams. (Mr. Yount came late). Lewis Waddell had a previous appointment.

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.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications. Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the following absentee applications:

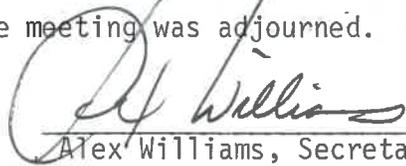
B-2, OS-4, OS-5, OS-6, and OS-7

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The board members present agreed to stop at precincts on their way into the board office , at 6:00 A M to see that the precincts are ready to open at 8:30 a.m. and offer their services if there are any problems.

Alex Williams and the supervisor logic tested and sealed machine number #396 and it was unanimous that the supervisor and Sue Brewer would logic test #382, #397, #414, #403 and #420 plus #406 and #410 for spares.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

  
Alex Williams, Secretary

February 1, 1983 6:00 A M

## CITY OF NEWTON ABC MIXED DRINK REFERENDUM

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS;

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, February 1, 1983 at 6:00 A M to supervise the Mixed Drink Referendum Election for the City of Newton. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams. (Each Board Member and the office staff visited 1 pct. before 6:30 A M) Meetings were not held on Saturday, January 29, 1983 (3rd day before election) and on Monday, January 31, 1983 (1 day before election) as there was no business to be transacted.

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.

At 7:20 A M, the sheriff's department picked up the absentee list to be delivered to precincts.

It was unanimous that the board recess and check back with the office periodically and to reconvene at 5 P M to count absentee ballots.

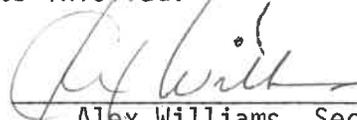
At 5:00 P. M. Board members Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams met in the office of the board of elections to count absentee ballots for the ABC Mixed Beverage Referendum. Larry Pitts and Brenard Brown observed. 13 absentee ballots were counted with the results as follows:

CITY OF NEWTON	FOR	AGAINST
	9	4

The absentee voters' names were entered into the Absentee Poll Book, which was signed by board members and the supervisor.

The board members dispersed again to reconvene again in the Superior Courtroom to receive precinct returns from the 5 pcts involved.

This 1st day of February 1983.

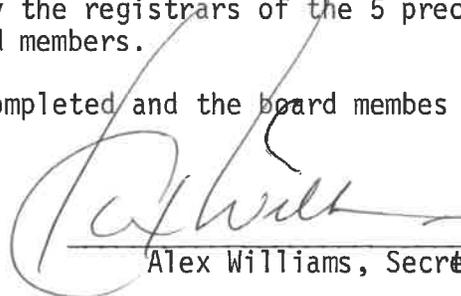
  
Alex Williams, Secretary

February 1, 1983 7:30 P M

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the Board of Elections office to receive precinct returns to be posted on blackboard in Superior Courtroom. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The votes were reported by telephone by the registrars of the 5 precincts involved and recorded on the blackboard by board members.

The unofficial precinct returns were completed and the board members adjourned at 8 P. M.

  
Alex Williams, Secretary

CANVASS DAY

February 3, 1983 11:00 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, February 3, 1983 at 11:00 A. M. in the Board of Elections office to Canvass the votes of the February 1, 1983 Mixed Beverage Referendum in the City of Newton. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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

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 reviewed by the board members and found no errors from what was recorded on Election night. It was unanimous by all three board members that the election of February 1, 1983 be OFFICIALLY CERTIFIED.

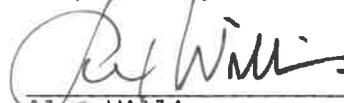
The official results of the canvass stands as follows:

## CITY OF NEWTON MIXED BEVERAGE REFERENDUM

	FOR	AGAINST
East Newton #10	41	69
Mt. Olive #22	2	7
North Newton #24	82	227
South Newton #32	246	170
West Newton #39	153	96
Absentee's	9	4
Totals	<u>533</u>	<u>573</u>

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
 Alex Williams

February 18, 1983 8:30 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, February 18, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the Board of Elections office. Members present were Albert Yount, Chairman and Lewis Waddell.

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

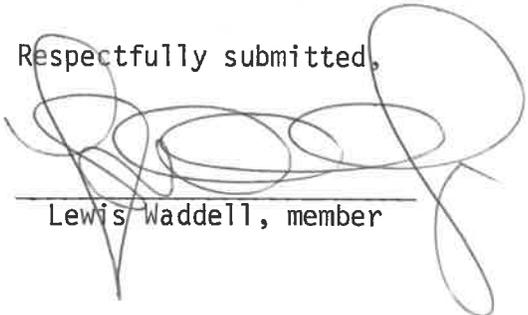
The purpose of the meeting was to review and approve the 1983-1984 budget as prepared by the supervisor.

The pay for the officials on election day was thoroughly discussed. General Statute 163-46 states the officials must be paid State Minimum wage. Board members present felt that with the responsibility of the Registrar that they should be paid more than the Judge, the judge has more responsibility than Assistant and they should be paid more than the assistant, and to get younger and more competent officials, we would have to pay more to justify them taking a day from their every day work. Motion was made by Albert Yount to pay the Assistant the State Minimum wage, the judge \$5.00 more than Assistant and the Registrar \$10.00 more than Judge and use this scale as long as State Statute is this way. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Mr. Yount ask the supervisor if she had justification for the county manager of the expenditures in the 83-84 budget, being satisfied that she did, Mr. Yount made motion to approve the 83-84 budget as prepared by supervisor. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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52.00  
62.00*

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Lewis Waddell, member

April 1, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, April 1, 1983 at 8:30 A. M. in the Board of Elections office. Members present were: Albert Yount, Chairman, and Alex Williams.

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

The supervisor called to the attention of the board that in checking registrations in the city of Hickory due to the 3/1/83 ward changes that approximately 30 voters were found in the wrong precinct and they had been corrected and written. Each were discussed individually and even with the threat "to never vote again" by a phone call from Estelle Gale Brendle, and Mary Johnson, and a letter from Boyd A Punch, the precinct corrections would stand. It was unanimous by board members present that the corrections were correct and that each person that was involved be listed in these minutes:

Mr. Boyd A. Punch pct. Kenworth (was Highland)(states "if this is where I have to go to vote, forget it".

Lee F Bolton Pct. Highland (was Sweetwater)

Melbra C Bost pct. Ridgeview (was Kenworth)

Estelle Gale Brendle pct. Ridgeview (was Kenworth) (states " does not like it, will not vote")

Virginia Macy Bryan pct College Park (not Green Park)

Doctor Warren Brice pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Evan D Canipe pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Bessie Godfry Carswell pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)

Frances L Costner pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Memie L. Cunningham pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)

Hoy Deal pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)

Gorman D. Finger pct Ridgeview (not Kenworth)

Roscoe S Hefner pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Woodrow Ernest Hicks pct. 35 Sweetwater (not Highland)

Anthony Howze & Eva Mae C Howze, pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)

William N Icard pct. Oakwood (not Green Park)

Mr & Mrs Charlie W Isaacs pct Sweetwater (not Kenworth)

Willie & Mary Johnson pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth) (States " Did Not like it and will not vote")

Prince Lane Keller pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Howard Wilson Kilby pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Clarence P & Cora C Lail pct. Kenworth (not Highland )

Edward E McCorkle pct. 12 (not Ridgeview)

Walter P & Grace McDaniel Pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Willard L McDaniel pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Carl & Erpha D Melton pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Effie L Mitchell pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Robert Lee & Mae Morrison pct Kenworth (not Highland)

Janice G Nanney Kenworth (not Highland)

William G & Betty R Poteat pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Robert D. Poteat Kenworth, (Not Highland)

Inez H Riley pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Romus G Sigmon Kenworth (not Highland)

Carl E Smith, Lillie Smith and Nadene Stafford pct 12 (not Highland)

Robert F & Joyce P Smith pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Donald B & Milred M. Stephens pct. Kenworth (not Highland)

Etta D Stuckey pct. Sandy Ridge (not Viewmont 1)

Bessie R Sudderth pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)

- Frances Padgett Travis, pct. Sweetwater (not Kenworth)
- Mack Jr Travis pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)
- Cora A Underwood pct. Kenworth (not Highland)
- Nareen Cade Walton pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)
- Robert T. Warren pct. Ridgeview (not Kenworth)
- James C. White pct. Sweetwater (not Highland)

Motion was made to the above corrections by Albert Yount and seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved as stated above.

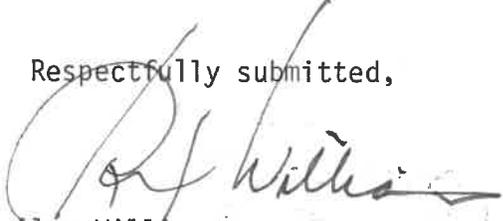
A letter from Airmac Technology Systems Inc was received and discussed pertaining to training at their plant in California.

Motion was made by Albert Yount that if funds can be transferred with the approval of Mr. Lundy, and Mr. Lundy gives his approval that the supervisor and deputy supervisor be allowed to take this plant training. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams with his stating "he had no problems in justifying office staff to go and learn as much as possible after the flack received last November, etc".

A budget adjustment was discussed pertaining to an extended service contract on the Tabulators. The supervisor had requested and it was approved by this board that \$2100.00 be put in budget and we would do 1/2 of them each year. It has later been discussed with the company and the contracts are on a calendar year. The supervisor feels the need more important in 1984 than in a Municipal year and wants all under contract, as all typewriters, computers, etc are with the county. Motion was made by Alex Williams that we make the adjustment and talk with Mr. Lundy at the budget managers hearing about this.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Alex Williams

May 31, 1983 8:30 A M Tuesday

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, May 31, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the Board of Elections office. Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams. Rick Foster from the Observer News was also present.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the minutes as previously submitted to each board member. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

A contract with Specialty Cash Register Company of Statesville for service on tabulators was presented to the board for consideration. It was unanimous by board members that we were dealing with an unknown and to send the contract to purchasing, but the Board of Election would recommend we go with the service contract with ATS due to their manufacturing of the tabulators and they have been very good to work with.

A letter from Mr. Tom Lundy, County Manager was presented to each board members dated 5/20/83 requesting the board of election members to consider relocating East Newton and West Newton precincts from the courthouse for two reasons: 1st, some complaints had been received from individuals unable to have access to the tax offices. 2nd, a concern that some portion of the county employees receive time off.

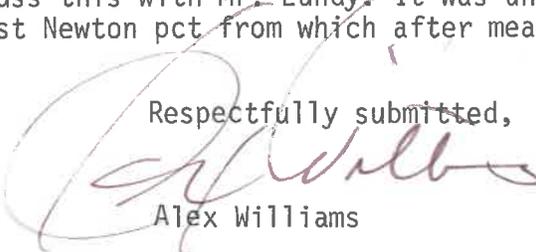
This was thoroughly discussed. Mr. Yount voiced he was emphatically against this move and was appalled that it even came from the county. Mr Waddell thought it was a function of the Government to serve the people and this was a particular instance, it sounded to him like we have some employees that don't like other employees to be off, and to move would be to inconvenient some other body, so was not in favor of moving.

Mr. Lewis Waddell made the motion that the Board of Elections go on record and to advise the County Manager that after due consideration the board declines moving these 2 boxes. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor was advised to write Mr. Lundy and to say the Board of Election had considered his request as set forth in his letter of 5/20/83. It was discussed and the board declined to move these 2 precincts in the interest of the voters, but that they are willing to discuss some reasonable compromise where the tax collector could remain open or others work behind closed doors, as long as no cross traffic in the voting enclosure of West Newton .

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to go down and measure the voting enclosure for West Newton, and to discuss this with Mr. Lundy. It was unanimous by all and they proceeded to the West Newton pct from which after measuring they adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams

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CATAWBA COUNTY  
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

WRITTEN REQUEST FOR CITY ELECTION ON CONSTRUCTION OF NEWTON RECREATION CENTER  
IN THE CITY OF NEWTON

NORTH CAROLINA

CATAWBA COUNTY

TO: CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Pursuant to a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Newton, North Carolina, on May 31, 1983, a copy of which resolution is attached hereto, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Newton, does hereby request the Board of Election of Catawba County to call and conduct an election in the City of Newton on July 26, 1983, on the question of use of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$700,000 in the construction of a Recreation Center as provided by North Carolina General Statute 163-287.

Respectfully submitted, this 1st day of June, 1983.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN, CITY OF NEWTON

By Wayne Dellinger

Wayne Dellinger, Mayor

RESOLUTION #31-83

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF NEWTON:

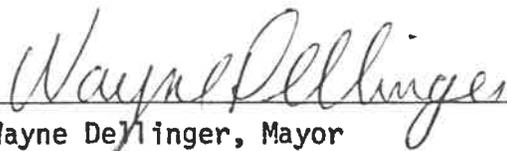
WHEREAS, due to the state of disrepair of the Newton Recreation Center, for some time the Newton Board of Aldermen has been considering and planning the construction of a new center; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen has carefully considered the proposition and determines that the time has come to present the question to the voters of the City regarding the use of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$700,000 for construction of the new center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF NEWTON, NORTH CAROLINA:

That the Board of Aldermen of the City of Newton file a written request to the Board of Elections of Catawba County that an election be conducted in the City of Newton on the question of the use of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$700,000 for the construction of a new Recreation Center in the City of Newton as provided by North Carolina General Statute 163-287, and the Mayor be, and is hereby authorized, to present such written request to the County Board of Elections in the name and on behalf of the Board of Aldermen.

Adopted this the 31st day of May, 1983.

  
Wayne DeJlanger, Mayor

Attest:

  
Rita K. Williams, City Clerk

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CATAWBA COUNTY  
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

June 7, 1983 8:30 A M Tuesday

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, June 7, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the Board of Elections office. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

Also attending as Special Guest on the Agenda were Tom Lundy, County Manager and Bobby Miller, Tax Administrator.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the minutes as previously submitted each member. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

The Catawba County Board of Election received a request in the form of a Resolution from City of Newton, requesting the Catawba County Board of Elections to hold a Bond Referendum on the question of use of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$700,000 in the construction of a Recreation Center.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to accept the Resolution from the City of Newton and hold the election July 26, 1983 as set out in Resolution dated May 31, 1983 and to use the Tabulators.

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to work out a compromise at the County Manager's request where the Tax Collector's office could remain open to the public and the Tax Administrator's office be closed to the public, but the employees would work behind closed doors when there is an election involving East and West Newton precincts.

Motion was made by Albert Yount ~~that~~ the Board of Elections allow the Tax Collector's office to remain open to the public during all elections.

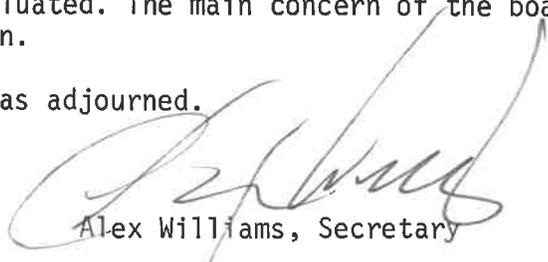
That the Tax Administrator's office will be closed to the public and that the employees may work in their respective offices with the door's locked to the public. That this situation with the Tax Administrator's office will be tried through the Newton Special Election, Newton Municipal and November 1983 General Election. And after the November election, the Board of Election will evaluate the situation and decide what to do for the May Primary and General Election and the future.

Question was called. There was much discussion. Mr. Yount saw no problem with the Tax Collector's office remaining open for all elections to the public. He saw problems with traffic wanting to go into the voting enclosure if the tax administrator office was not closed. He stated again, was surprised to have received a request to move the polling places as they have been here since building was built. Mr. Waddell stated he had no problem with the Tax Collector's being open to the public, had no problems with that from the beginning, but the entrances should be locked to keep people from wandering into the voting enclosures of West and East Newton. He did not want any movement in the East Newton voting area other than those allowed. He stated he did not like it. He has no problem in the City elections or small elections, but in the Primaries and General Election, did not want anyone around except the authorized people.

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The consensus of the motion was "Tax Collector's office will be open period. The other offices in courthouse will be closed to the public and after the November elections, the situation will be evaluated. The main concern of the board was that "some nut would challenge an election.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Alex Williams, Secretary

June 23, 1983 4:30 P M Thursday

## 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 Thursday, June 23, 1983 at 4:30 P M. Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis E. WADDELL, Jr and Alex Williams.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the minutes of previous meeting as had been submitted each member.

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Each member had appeared before the Clerk of Superior Court and was sworn as per G.S. 163-30. They were each given the "Notice of Resolution" and "Order" as was directed by the State Board. Also given was a schedule of meetings set for the year 1983.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to elect Albert Yount as Chairman of the Catawba County Board of Elections. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to elect Alex Williams as secretary of the Catawba County Board of Elections. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor advised the Board we were expecting our final draft of new precinct maps which have been in the making for 1 year. It was pointed out there were several discrepancies on the 1976 precinct map that did not correspond with the boundary descriptions and several precinct that the boundaries did not correspond with the map. The Board had seen the need to go over each precinct and has been in the process and planning since 1981. G. S. 163-128 gives the Board power to "alter, change, create" precinct lines.

The changes are in Claremont, Conover 1, East Maiden, Highland, Maiden, St. Stephens 2, Sandy Ridge and Sweetwater.

Mr. Waddell had been to office and gone over each proposed change for legality. Each Board member had copies for their study and information. These changes were thoroughly discussed by all board members with the question ask by Alex Williams if the changes would involve current officials and was told it did not.

Mr. Albert Yount moved that the precinct boundary line changes be adopted. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved. The Resolution being as follows:

RESOLUTION REGARDING CHANGES IN PRECINCT LINES OF  
CLAREMONT #6, CONOVER 1 #7, EAST MAIDEN #9, HIGHLAND #16,  
MAIDEN #20, ST. STEPHENS 2, #29, SANDY RIDGE #30 and SWEETWATER #35.

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 places for the above said precincts will remain the same as now and the lines will be corrected to correspond with the descriptions and some descriptions will be corrected to follow natural boundaries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT notice shall be given by advertisement in a newspaper having general circulation in Catawba County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of This Resolution will be sent to the chairman of every political party in Catawba County and a copy will be posted at the courthouse door.

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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 on the 23rd day of June, 1983.

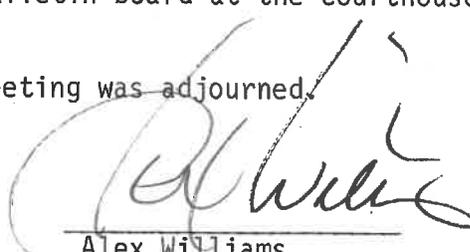
Witness my hand and seal of this county, this 23rd day of June, 1983.

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

It was pointed out that the feelings of this board is that all precinct lines have natural boundary lines when at all possible

Mr. Yount recommended that the supervisor would call each party chairman and tell them we have adopted some precinct changes and invite them to come in and review said changes and to place the legal ad in the Newton Observer and the Hickory Record as per G. S. 163-128 and send a copy to both party chairman and place one on the bulletin board at the courthouse.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

  
Alex Williams  
Secretary

July 26, 1983 8:30 A M Tuesday

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 Tuesday, July 26, 1983 at 8:30 A. M. Members present were Albert Yount and Lewis Waddell. Alex Williams ask to be excused due to a court conflict.

It was unanimous by board members present to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as had been submitted to each member prior to this meeting.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following absentee applications and envelopes:

OS-1, OS-2, OS-3 and OS-4

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to use the traditional ballot box for the method of voting in Mt. Olive precinct only, in lieu of tabulator for the August 2, 1983 City of Newton election.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Alex Williams agreed with this motion by phone to the supervisor prior to meeting.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to make Policy to allow the Tabulator Technicians who will be named before each election in the minutes, be allowed in the voting enclosure if a malfunction of the machines should occur.

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount that the supervisor be authorized to logic test the tabulators, assisted by Sue Brewer, Deputy supervisor, for the August 2, 1983 City of Newton election and the serial numbers of such tabulators will be #402, #417, #337, #410.

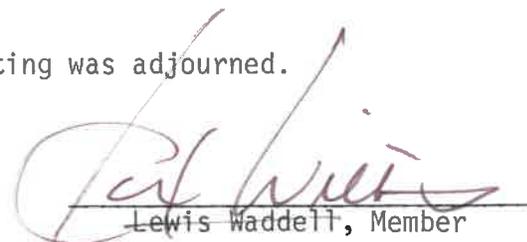
This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount that Carrie Forbis be appointed temporary Democrat Judge in North Newton precinct #24 for the 8/2/83 election as recommended by Dr. Joe Wishon, Chairman of Democrat Party of Catawba County.

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by board members present to invite the new precinct officials to attend the municipal instructional meetings for learning, although there is no money allocated for this. It to be additional training prior to May instructional meetings county wide.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

  
Lewis Waddell, Member

July 28, 1983 8:30 A M Thursday

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 Thursday, July 28, 1983 (5th day before election) at 8:30 A. M. Members present were Albert Yount and Alex Williams. Lewis Waddell was excused by the chairman.

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

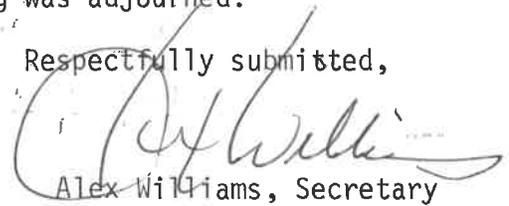
Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the following absentee application:

B-1

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alex Williams", is written over the typed name below.

Alex Williams, Secretary

AUGUST 2, 1983 6:45 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, August 2, 1983 at 6:45 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections to supervise the City of Newton Recreation Center Bond Referendum Election. Members present were Albert Yount, chairman and Alex Williams. Lewis Waddell called in and was delayed.

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

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following Absentee Application and envelope that was received on Thursday: OS-5  
This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

A request from the Newton Economic Dev. Committee had been received by a board member to have copies of the poll book made and passed out at 10 A M, 2 P M and 4 P M. The legality of this was obtained from the Attorney General's office. Motion was made by Albert Yount to allow these copies as requested. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to authorize Sue Brewer to go into the voting enclosures of the pct involved as a Tabulator Technician if there was need for this August 2, 1983 election. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The board members present delayed appointing the officials for 1983-1985 until 5 P M. After this business they adjourned to be on call the entire day and to meet back in the office of the Board of Elections at 5 P M to count absentees and other business that was needed.

5:00 P M.

At 5 P M the following board members met in the office of the Board of Elections to count absentee: Albert Yount and Alex Williams. Mr. Waddell was delayed but called to see if needed. Six (6 Absentee ballots were counted, with the results being as follows:

City of Newton Recreation Center Referendum	
Yes	6
No	0

The absentee voters names were entered into the absentee poll book and it was signed by all board members present and the supervisor.

Old business carried over from the morning meeting was transacted. The appointment of Registrars, Judges, Registration Commissioners and Special Library Deputies in compliance with G. S. 163-31 as had been recommended by both party chairmen was acted on.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint the Registrars, Judges, Registration Commissioners, Special Library Deputies, and to delay the appointment of the Democrat Registration Commissioners as may be done by statute, as recommended by the party chairmen, and those recommended by the Library Directors and Hickory City Manager. They are as follows:

Precinct	Registrar	D Judge	R Judge	
1	Balls Creek	Glenda W. Sigmon	Timothy C Lineberger	Clarence Lee Mackie
2	Banoak	Evelyn S. Poovey	Glenn Alan Lutz	Joe Wyantt
3.	Blackburn	Elizabeth S Jarrett	Ophelia R Phillips	Scott Whisnant
4	Brookford	Paul L. Bolick	Evelyn L Wilkinson	Lloyd Fox
5	Catawba	Anne Gilbert	Melvin G Little	Cecil Schronce
6	Claremont	Elizabeth W Connor	Brent D Sigmon	Ben Miller Sr
7	Conover 1	Don M. Gilbert	Peggy H Smith	Elmer Lint
8	Conover 2	Dorothy B. Workman	Robert Wm Rockett	Linda Hollar
9	E Maiden	JoAnn Morrow	Mary Ellen C Richard	Cecil Parker
10	E Newton	C Frank Asbury	Nell Kanipe	Ruth McGlammery
11	College Park	Shirley Thomason	Addie S Hall	Sharon Pitts
12	Kenworth	Clyde S Seabock	Avery Leroy Reese	Harold Sigmon
13	Green Park	Olive M Kaylor	Margaret Y Reid	Irene Perkins
14	Oakwood	Constance Bray	Minnie B. Burns	Mary Sue Williams
15	Ridgeview	Annette W Jones	Corinthians Fredrick	Elaine Witherspoon
16	Highland	Barbara F Miller	Ruby S Landis	Mary Alice Cagle
17	Longview 1	Vergie C Dale	Elena S Hewitt	Betty Moore
18	Longview 2	Eva T Ervin	Helen G Lockman	Clara Hall
19	Longview 3	Dorothy W Phillips	Ethel D Dale	Dorcas Holland
20	Maiden	Jerry Stallings	Mildred B Keener	Ruby Sigmon
21	Monogram	Jacquelyn S Campbell	Rodney Bradford	Dera Pope
22	Mt. Olive	Irma C Long	Doris W Blackburn	Fred Harbinson
23	Mtn. View	Reita D Lackey	Jimmie W Leatherman	Robert Darnell
24	North Newton	Sara Ann Lail	Patricia Arnold	Alma Yancy
26	Oakland Heights	Melissa E Rhyne	Maureen Teague	Gretchen Peed
27	Oxford	Cecil Henry Rockett Jr	Ray E Sigmon	Joe Sigmon
28	St Stephens 1	Roy M Brewer	Mary K (Frankie) Caudle	Janice Lafone
29	St. Stephens 2	Sylvia C Holbrook	Grace C Vaught	Carolyn Huffman
30	Sandy Ridge	Willa Dean Adcock	Malcolm L Burton	Edith McAlpine
31	Sherrills Ford	Ernest W Lawing	Samuel L White	Clyde Sigmon
32	South Newton	Robert W Hewitt	Gladys S Setzer	Ruby 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	Bernice S Holler	Melvin Jones
36	Viewmont 1	Archie Deal	Nell Lafone	Nell Thomas
37	Viewmont 2	Ned C. Salley	Eleanor R Hollar	Lois Bigsby
38	Viewmont 3	James Goforth	Evelyn L Walz	Jeanette Lail
39	West Newton	Mildred S. Yount	Willie S. Yount	Blanche Ikerd
40	Westmont	Woodrow P Barger	Ruth M Humphries	Jane King

Hickory City Hall

Margaret H. Baucom  
Sharon S Abernathy

ELBERT IVEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Jane Shuler  
Becky Hasty  
Linda Guess  
Naomi Killian  
Marilyn Childress  
Mary Dawson

Catawba County Library

Kerry Painter  
Bobbie Green  
Shirley Sipe

Sherrills Ford Library

Madge Beatty

Maiden Library

Glenda Goodson

Registration Commissioners

Nancy McKay Rep.  
Jean Williams Rep.

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the board adjourned to re-convene back in the office of the Board of Elections to receive the count from the precincts.

7:30 P M

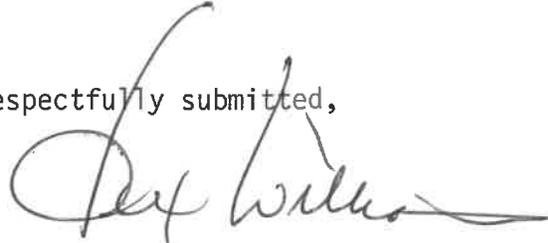
The Catawba County Board of Elections members, being as follows:

Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams met in the office of the Board of Elections to receive the returns from each precinct.

Taking returns were Joyce Rudisill and Sue Brewer. They were posted on Tally Sheet by Albert Yount. The last precinct reported in at 7:42 P M.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until Thursday at 11 A M for Canvass.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alex Williams". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Alex Williams, Secretary

August 4, 1983 11 o'clock a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, August 4, 1983 at 11 A. M. in the Board of Elections in the Catawba County Courthouse to canvass the votes for the August 2, 1983 City of Newton Recreation Center Bond Referendum election. Members present were: Mr. Albert M. Yount and Mr. Alex Williams. Mr. Lewis Waddell was excused by the chairman.

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

The official results were recorded on the abstracts by Albert Yount and Joyce Rudisill and the official results from this canvass stand and are as follows:

City of Newton Recreation Center Bond Referendum \$700,000.

Yes	670
No	182

After said returns had been canvassed by the Catawba County Board of Elections ALBERT M. YOUNT introduced the following resolution which was read:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CANVASS OF THE RETURNS OF THE SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM HELD IN THE CITY OF NEWTON ON AUGUST 2, 1983 UPON THE QUESTION OF APPROVING AN ORDER AUTHORIZING \$700,000 RECREATION CENTER BONDS AND DETERMINING THE RESULT THEREOF

BE IT RESOLVED by the Catawba County Board of Elections:

Section 1. The returns of the special bond referendum held in the City of Newton on August 2, 1983 upon the question of approving an order authorizing \$700,000 Recreation Center Bonds of said City having been received from the proper election officers and having been canvassed, this Board has found and determined and does hereby declare:

- (a) That each registrar and judge for said referendum was duly qualified by law and had taken the necessary oath.
- (b) That the election officers had incorporated in their returns the number of votes cast for and against the question submitted,
- (c) That at said referendum there was submitted to the qualified voters of said City the following question:

Shall the order adopted on June 15, 1983 authorizing not exceeding \$700,000 Recreation Center Bonds of the City of Newton, North Carolina, for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for the construction and equipping of a recreation center and related parking facilities, within the corporate limits of said City, and making related site improvements therefor, and authorizing the levy of taxes in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on said bonds, be approved?

(d) That no complaints have been made to this Board against the regularity of said referendum.

(e) That said referendum and the registration therefor were duly and properly held in accordance with law.

Section 2. The following schedule correctly shows the designations of the several precincts at which said referendum was held and, as to each precinct, the location of the voting place, the number of voters registered and qualified to vote, the number of votes cast in favor of the question submitted and the number of votes cast against such question; the number of absentee ballots returned in favor of such question and the number of absentee ballots returned against such question; and the totals of such numbers:

Precinct	Precinct Name	Voting Place	Voters registered & qualified to vote	Question submitted Votes for	Votes against
#10	East Newton	Catawba County Courthouse	610	70	12
#22	Mt. Olive	Mt Olive Lutheran Ch Parish Hall	62	3	0
#24	N Newton	Thornton Elementary School	1,154	93	72
#32	S Newton	Grace Reformed United Church of Christ Parish Hall	1,332	304	60
#39	W Newton	Catawba County Courthouse	795	194	38
	Absentees			6	0

Section 3. From the canvass made, this Board does determine and certify:

(a) That 3,953 voters were registered and qualified to vote.

(b) That at said referendum 670 votes were cast for the order adopted on June 15, 1983 authorizing not exceeding \$700,000 Recreation Center Bonds of the City of Newton, North Carolina, for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for the construction and equipping of a recreation center and related parking facilities, within the corporate limits of said City, and making related site improvements therefor, and authorizing the levy of taxes in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on said bonds, and 182 votes were cast against said order, and that a majority of the qualified voters of said City who voted thereon at said referendum voted in favor of said order.

Section 4. The Supervisor of Elections is hereby directed to transmit immediately a certified copy of this resolution to the Board of Aldermen of the City of Newton.

Upon motion of Albert M. Yount, seconded by Alex Williams, Jr, the foregoing resolution was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Albert M. Yount and Alex Williams, Jr  
Noes: None

Canvass day continued.

I, Joyce C. Rudisill, Supervisor of Elections of the Catawba County Board of Elections, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing has been carefully copied from the recorded minutes of said Board at a meeting held on August 4, 1983, at 11 A M, at the Catawba County Courthouse in Newton, North Carolina, said record having been made in Minute Book No. 2 of the minutes of said Board, beginning at page 157 and ending at page 159, and is a true copy of so much of said proceedings of said Board as relates in any way to the canvass of the returns of the special bond referendum held in the City of Newton on August 2, 1983 upon the question of approving an order authorizing \$700,000 Recreation Center Bonds of said City.

Witness my hand this 4 day of August, 1983.

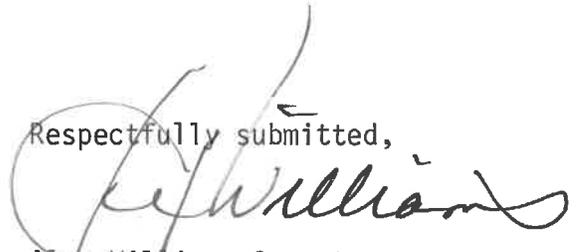
Joyce C. Rudisill  
Supervisor  
Catawba County Board of Elections

In other business:

It was unanimous by board members present that the officials appointed for the 1983-1985 year be notified of their appointment as per statute and to ask them to come in and be sworn and instructed on or before September 6, 1983.

The supervisor informed the chairman of a situation in one of the precincts where the two judges are handicapped in helping the registrar set up the tabulator, taking it down and lifting it. He advised her to contact both party chairmen of this problem.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Alex Williams Secretary

Lewis E Waddell, Jr who is not present has signed the following acknowledgement of service of notice of the Meeting:

I hereby acknowledge due service of notice of a special meeting of the Catawba County Board of Elections to be held at 11 o'clock a m on August 4, 1983, at the Catawba County Courthouse in Neton, North Carolina, concerning the canvass of the returns of the special bond referendum held on August 2, 1983 in the City of Newton upon the question of approving an order authorizing \$700,000 Recreation Center Bonds. I will not be able to be present at said meeting.

/s/ Lewis E. Waddell, Jr.  
Board member

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of August, 1983. Joyce C. Rudisill /s/  
Notary Public  
My commisison expires: 2/26/86

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Friday, August 12, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, August 12, 1983 at 8:30 a.m in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams at the same time. Mr. Albert Yount came earlier and his comments are in the proper places.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion of Alex Williams and seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

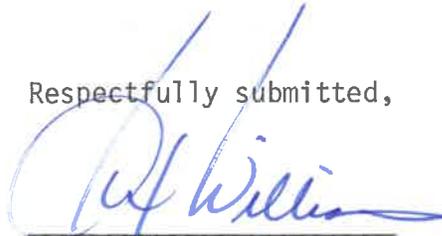
Purpose of this meeting was to act on the recommendation of Joseph Wishon of appointing the Democrat Registration Commissioners. His recommendations to the board are: Connie Reynolds and John H Cilley IV. Mr. Yount ask the question "did this Cilley Person live in Catawba County 24 hours a day with him being a College Student at Wake Forest, but if that is what the Democrat Party Wants then that is what the Democrat Party can have.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to appoint Connie Reynolds and John Cilley, IV as Democrat Registration Commissioners. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and Albert agreed, so it was unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to follow the set motion of the previous boards in allowing the Registrar to contact the Judge of the opposite party in selecting their assistants for any election, using the system, the first two clerks to be one of each political party, with the third being a Democrat, if needed and if a fourth is needed, this to be a Republican and that this motion be made policy binding of the term of office for this board. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by motion of Alex Williams.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams

September 2, 1983 8:30 A. M.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, September 2, 1983 at 8:30 A. M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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.

Purpose of this meeting was to appoint election officials as recommended by Joe Wishon, Democrat Party Chairman.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint the following as recommended by Joe Wishon:

Hugh E (Bill) Hunt, Registrar for Highland #16 precinct

Wade Warren Democrat Judge of St. Stephens #1 #28 precinct.

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous that the tabulator's be used in the October 11, 1983 elections with the exception of Mt. Olive #22. It was also unanimous that the tabulator ballot would be used in Mt. Olive #22 with the traditional ballot box as only 3 voted in that precinct on 8/2/83 and this method was approved by the State Board of Elections.

A letter was presented to the Board from Stuart Thompson, Superintendent of Hickory Public Schools recommending Henry Williamson, Principapl at Hickory High School to serve as "Special High School Registration Commissioner" as authorized by Chapter 707 Senate Bill 157 G.S. 163-80(a)(7).

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint Henry Williamson as "Special High School Registration Commissioner" to register voters while on duty at the school and on school property effective 10/1/83 for 2 years from that date.

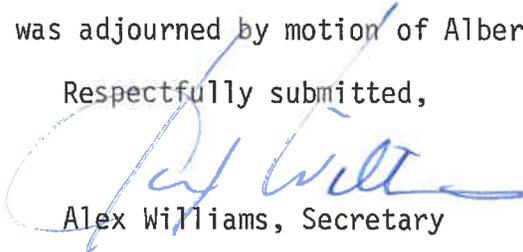
This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

The supervisor requested permisstion to have a "Mass" swearing in of all officials not sworn by 9/6/83 in the next week or so after 9/6/83. It was unanimous by members to allow this.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to write Chas Brewer, District Attorney for Western District to reply to this board in writng of the follow-up of the case of Michael Hayden Teague, that was reported to them on 11/4/82, and ask Mr. Waddell to draft the letter. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved by Board members present.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by motion of Albert Yount.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

Friday, September 9, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, September 9, 1983 at 8:30 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams. Albert Yount called to say he had a conflict.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes. The motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to act on the recommendation of Dr. Joe Wishon of election officials where there were vacancies.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell and seconded by Alex Williams to appoint Bessie Gilbert Registrar in Oakwood Precinct and Paul Cook, Registrar in Oakland Heights precinct.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that the board of elections members carry out G. S. 163-41 (a) when there is a vacancy to be filled with a precinct officials that the chairman do this and the appointment can be put in the next board meetings minutes, also instructed the supervisor to find out the legality of polling the board members on minor matters. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved by members present.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by motion of Alex Williams.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

Tuesday, September 20, 1983 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, September 20, 1983 at 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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

It was unanimous by board members present that Ruby Byrd be appointed as temporary Judge in Green Park precinct as recommended by Dr. Joe Wishon, and that Holly Hasty be appointed as Republican Judge in Green Park precinct as recommended by Doris Huffman.

A letter had been received by Albert Yount from Charles Brewer, United States Attorney pertaining to the voter fraud case, a copy was presented each board member.

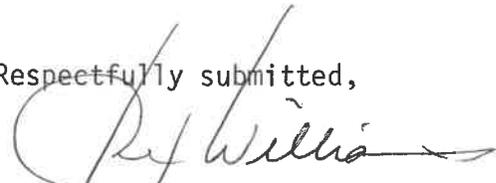
A motion was made by Lewis Waddell to reply to his letter. The motion died for lack of a second.

A Memo was presented to the board members from Dr. Joseph Wishon, Chairman of Democrat Party requesting 3 additional Special Registration Commissioners.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to table this request until the chairman could be present as he probably has some comments since he called this meeting. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Alex Williams, Jr.  
Secretary

Tuesday, September 27, 1983 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, September 27, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as each member had received copies. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications for City of Newton and City of Hickory. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the following absentee applications:

A-1, A-2 and A-3

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

A matter tabled from September 20, 1983 of Dr. Wishon's request for additional Registration Commissioners was discussed. Motion was made by Albert Yount to deny the request as the State Statute just opened up 39 additional persons in Democrat Party and 39 additional persons in Republican Party who can register county wide. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

A request for an assistant in the South Newton precinct was approved by all board members.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint Susan J Smith as Registrar of Blackburn #3 precinct and Linda H Isenhour as Democrat Judge in Clarendon Precinct as recommended by Dr Joe Wishon. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

The letter from Chas Brewer, U S Attorney was discussed again since a full board was in attendance. Motion was made by Albert Yount that the letter be answered and his letter be made a part of these minutes and that this board forward all facts and information concerning Michael H Teague to State Bureau of Investigation. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved. (Mr. Waddell will draft the letter) . Mr Brewer's letter is as follows:

Mr. Albert M. Yount, Chairman  
Catawba County Board of Elections  
Post Office Box 132  
Newton, North Carolina 28658

September 13, 1983

RE: Michael H. Teague

Dear Mr. Yount:

This will acknowledge receipt of and thank you for your letter of September 6, 1983, in regard to the above-referenced voter. Your correspondence in this matter was duly turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation when it was initially received in response to my November 3 letter. The Bureau has conducted preliminary investigation and determined that this was apparently a single instance of voter fraud as opposed to the multiple frauds involved in cases which we have prosecuted to date. It has, therefore, been a low priority for prosecution. The Bureau received many, many complaints of voter fraud in

regard to the 1982 general election, and these are being handled as expeditiously as possible. I am unable to say at this time whether or not this office will prosecute this single instance of voting more than once. You may desire to turn this over to the State Bureau of Investigation if you feel that they will be able to handle it in a more prompt and satisfactory fashion..

Very truly yours

CHARLES R. BREWER  
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

CRB/br

CC: SA John Turner  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
P.O. Box 2048  
Hickory, N C 28601

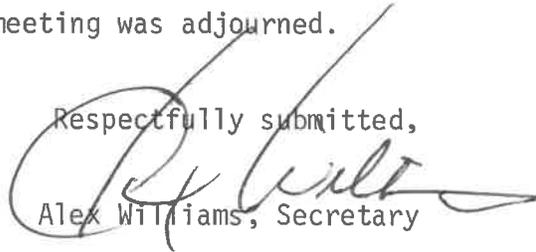
The supervisor advised the board members of the instructional meetings for the municipal and school district elections. They are to be October 4 and October 6, 1983 in the Superior Courtroom in the Courthouse in downtown Newton.

The supervisor advised the board that in one of the rural precincts we have 78 persons eligible to vote in the Newton/Conover School Board election on November 8 and in 1981 only 10 persons voted, and ask permission to ask the State Board for permission to let the persons vote in an adjoining precinct for this one election at a cost of \$16.00 in lieu of \$248.50. This request was denied unanimously due to the fact of getting away from the uniform election laws of this state and confusing the voter in future elections.

The supervisor reminded the board chairman of receipt of his "Notice of Dues" in the N C Association of Chairmen of County Boards of Elections. He advised her to write the Treasurer that he would not be a member in the coming year, that the dues was a waste of the tax payers money and unnecessary with what he has received thus far.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Alex Williams, Secretary

Friday, September 30, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, September 30, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Lewis Waddell.

It was unanimous by board members present that the minutes from previous meeting be approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review Absentee applications for City of Newton. Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following absentee application:

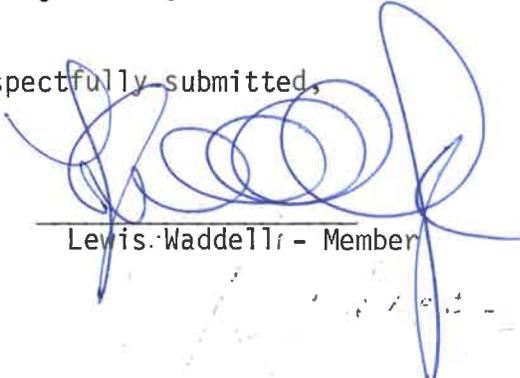
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This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Let the record show that Albert Yount appointed Harrill F. Deitz as Registrar in Sweetwater precinct and G Tom Hutchinson, Democrat Judge in Viewmont 2 precinct as recommended by Dr. Joseph Wishon on 9/28/83.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Lewis Waddell - Member

Newton

October 4, 1983 Tuesday 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in office of B-oard of Elections on Tuesday October 4, 1983. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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

Purpose of the meeting was to review Absentee applications. It was unanimous by all board members to approve the following: OS-1, OS-2, OS-3, A-5 and A-6 with A-6 being discussed as she is married. It was unanimous that since she is in school and parents are supporting her schooling, she is entitled to vote as she claims Newton, Catawba County her domicile.

Alex Williams reported to the full board of a voter irregularity in registration done at the fair, the irregularity being a person was not ask her party affiliation, the complaint coming orally by Doris Huffman, Chairman of Republican Party and a Ed Readling. The registration was done on September 16, 1983. Alex Williams reported his complaint from Doris Huffman to Lewis Waddell at a board meeting on September 20, 1983. Albert Yount was not present. The two board members present did not think it serious. The registration done at the fair on 9/16/83 that did not have a precinct and the precinct could not be determined was called by phone by the Supervisor. The persons were ask by the supervisor exactly where they lived and if "they were ask their party affiliation when registering, all said "YES" except one lady, she said "NO", but we are Democrats."

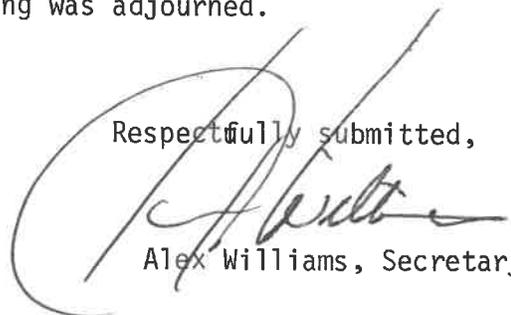
The matter was brought to attention of Albert Yount on October 3, 1983. He talked with Doris Huffman, Chairman of Republican Party.

On October 4, 1983 the members met and discussed it thoroughly. Mr. Yount contacted the Registrar, Archie Deal for his views. Alex Williams had a conversation with Kim Franklin the registrant, soon after it was brought to his attention.

It was decided unanimously by all board members that this was an isolated case, all parties talked with, and that Kimberly Franklin is registered to vote in Catawba County and in the party of her choice. The facts found are sufficient to satisfy this board that no irregularity was intended.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

Albert Yount conducted with the Supervisor the instructional meeting for October 11 and November 8, 1983 Municipal elections, at 7:30 P M

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October 6, 1983 Thursday 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, October 6, 1983 at 8:30 A M (5th day before election) in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Alex Williams.

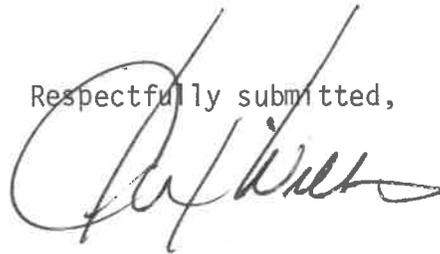
The minutes of the previous meeting were read and it was unanimously by members present that they be approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review Absentee applications for the City of Newton. It was unanimously by board members present that the following applications be approved: A-7, OS-4, OS-5 & OS-6.

As per state statute, counties having voting equipment, the county board of election shall logic test 10% of all machines or in the alternative the board shall name someone that is familiar with programming and logic testing. It was unanimous by board members present that the supervisor do the logic testing assisted by the deputy supervisor. Those logic tested will be S-erial #410, #402, #387, #406, #417, #392 and #382.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

Tuesday October 11, 1983 6:00 AM

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on TUESDAY, October 11, 1983 in the office of the Board of Elections to supervise the City of Newton General Election and City of Hickory Primary Election. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following Absentees and Applications issued before 5 P M on Thursday October 6, 1983:

- A/B-1, OS-7, OS-8, OS-9, OS-10, OS-11
- OS-12 and OS-13

This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint Kathryn Eckard as Temporary Democrat Judge in Sandy Ridge precinct. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by all board members that St. Stephens 2 #29 and Springs #33 precincts may use the traditional ballot box for the November 8, 1983 General Election due to fact, no more than 10 are expected to vote in the Newton/Conover Board of Education Election in each precinct.

The board members left about 7:30 to check back on and off all day be on call if needed.

October 11, 1983 5 P M

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

19 Absentee ballots were counted with the results being as follows:

Hickory Primary

Alderman Ward 2	Absentee Votes
A. B. (Andy) Anderson Sr	0
Bruce E. Meisner	0
Harold K. Poovey	0

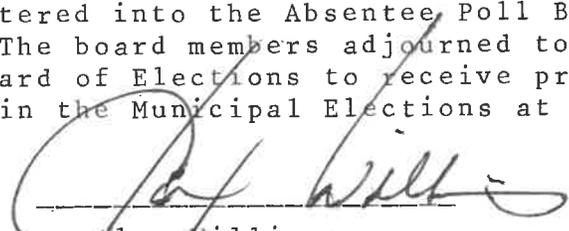
City of Newton General Election Absentee Votes

Mayor	Absentee Votes
R. Wayne Dellinger	11
Thomas C (Tom) Hurley	8

Alderman (Vote for Three)

John M. Boyett	7
Carlos De Torres	5
Yates E. Martin	4
George Reid, Jr	11
H. Thompson (Tom) Rowe	16
Robert (Bob) Saunders	9

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 7 pcts involved in the Municipal Elections at 7:30 P.M.

  
Alex Williams

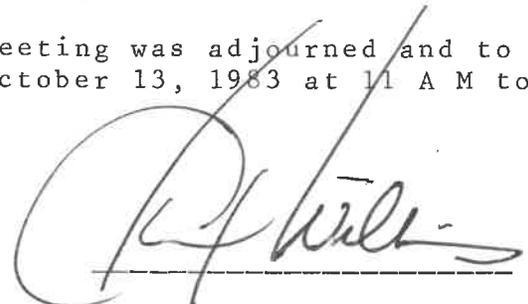
October 11, 1983 7:30 P M

The Catawba County Board of Elections reconvened in the Board of Elections office to receive precinct returns from the 7 precincts involved in the City of Newton General Election and City of Hickory Primary. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The votes were reported by phone by the registrars of the 7 precincts and recorded on the Chalk Board by the board members. Receiving the returns were Joyce Rudisill, supervisor and Sue Brewer, Deputy supervisor. The unofficial returns were completed at 7:50 P M.

It was unanimous by board members to approve the facsimile ballots for the City of Claremont, Conover, Hickory, Town of Maiden, and the Newton/Conover Board of Education ballots for the November 8, 1983 General Election, using the guide line from the State Board of Elections that we leave "sufficient space" for the write in. Each of the above were approved by their city attorneys, except Claremont, and he stated "he didn't care, do what we thought best".

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and to meet back in the office on Thursday, October 13, 1983 at 11 A M to Canvass.



ALEX WILLIAMS, Secretary

OCTOBER 13, 1983 Thursday 11 A. M.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, October 13, 1983 at 11 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections to CANVASS the votes of the October 11, 1983 City of Hickory Primary and The City of Newton General Election. Members present, Albert Yount and Alex Williams

Minutes were read and motion was made by Alex Williams to approve and this motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by members present.

The supervisor advised that there were no changes found in comparing returns and no errors made in reporting on Tuesday night from the returns brought to office on Wednesday for audit. The two returns were review by board members present. It was unanimous by board members that the election of October 11, 1983 be officially certified, with the abstracts being recorded by Joyce Rudisill and Sue Brewer.

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

Hickory Primary ALDERMAN WARD 2	Votes	City of Newton MAYOR	Votes
A. B. (Andy) Anderson	39	R. Wayne Dellinger	732
Bruce Meisner	60	Thomas C (Tom) Hurley	453
Harold K. Poovey	48		
		ALDERMEN (Vote for Three)	
		John M. Boyette	469
		Carlos De Torres	310
		Yates E. Martin	324
		George Reid, Jr	647
		R. Thompson (Tom) Rowe	689
		Robert (Bob) Saunders	701

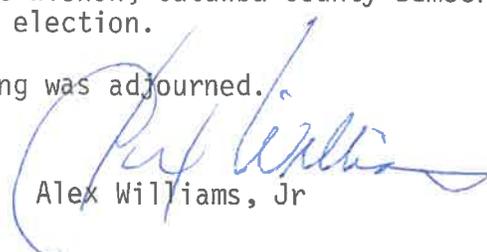
Mr. Yount announced that Mr Bruce Meisner and Mr. Harold K. Poovey would be on the November 8, 1983 ballot for the City of Hickory.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the following absentee application:  
A-1 and M-1

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved

Motion was made by Alex Williams to appoint Phyllis Hicks as Registration Commissioner to replace Jean Williams who has resigned, and appoint W. H. Worley as Republican Judge in Viewmont 3 #38 precinct, as recommended by Dories Huffman Catawba County Republican Chairman, and to appoint Grace Vaught as Temporary Registrar in St. Stephens #2 pct and Ruth Hanes as Temporary Democrat Judge in St. Stephens #2 pct, as recommended by Joe Wishon, Catawba County Democrat Chairman for the November 8, 1983 general election.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Alex Williams, Jr

October 21, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 21, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Lewis Waddell. Alex Williams by phone, and Albert Yount ask to be excused.

The minutes were dispensed with until next meeting.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to approve the following absentee applications.: A-2, OS-1, OS-2, OS-3, OS-4 and OS-5 for City of Hickory and City of Claremont.  
This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

The registration done for Tamara Turnmyre Verbiest on October 10, 1983 was approved unanimously and her name is to be written in the Registration Book for College Park. (She was registered oh a transfer and had to be re-done)

It was unanimously approved that ATS Representative Charlene Webber will be in Catawba County on November 8, 1983 accompanied by City of Baltimore representatives to observe ATS tabulators in action, but keeping their distance in a voting enclosure as per law.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alex Williams". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "A".

October 25, 1983 8:30 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 25, 1983 at 8:30 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections, Members present were Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams. Albert Yount ask to be excused.

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

The purpose of this meeting was to review Absentee applications for Claremont Hickory and Maiden,: Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the following:

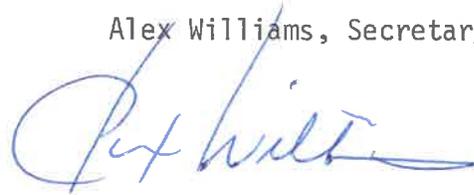
B-1, A-3, A-~~4~~, OS-6 and OS-7

This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

As per state statue, counties having voting equipment, the county board of election shall logic test 10% of all machines, or in the alternative the board shall name someone that is familier with programming and logic testing. Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that the supervisor do the logic testing assisted by the deputy supervisor. Those logic tested will be serial # 410, #402, #387, #406, but as in the past all will be logic tested with 2 done for spares.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Alex Williams, Secretary



NOVEMBER 4, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:'

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, November 4, 1983 at 8:30 A. M. in the office of the Board of Elctions. Members present were Albert Yount, Chairman, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

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

Purpose of this meeting was to approve the following Absentee Applications:  
A/B 1, A-5, A-6, A-7, OS 8, OS-9, OS-10, OS-11, OS-12, OS-13  
OS-14, OS-15, OS-16, OS-17, OS-18, OS-19, OS-20, OS-21 and OS-22  
for Maiden, Conover, & Hickory. Motion was to approve as reviewed by Albert Yount and seconded by Alex and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to appoint as temporary judge in Green Park #13 Hazel Sigmon and in Oakland Heights #26 Virginia Bost. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

The board members discussed the most recent ruling handed down by Woodrow Jones about cross-over voting. The supervisor was instructed to call for a copy of this ruling and to follow up in writing.

The supervisor was instructed to secure two walkie-talkies for Tuesday and to contact the sheriff department to deliver absentee list, by the chairman.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Alex Williams

November 8, 1983 6:00 o'clock A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County board of Elections met on Tuesday, November 8, 1983 at approximately 6 A.M. to supervise the Municipal and School District elections. Members present were: Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell, and Alex Williams.

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.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the following Absentee Application & Ballots: A/B-2 and A/B-3. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous by board members present to appoint Catherine Watts as Democrat Judge in Kenworth precinct and Thelma R Cloer as Republican Judge in Oakland Heights.

Motion was made by Alex Williams to appoint Assistants in the precincts as submitted by the Registrar. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved.

At 6:40 A.M., Bill Rudisill took Sue Brewer, Tabulator Technician to Longview 2 precinct to re-set a machine. (The owner of the building had checked the fuse box and cut the power before a ballot had been placed in the machine).

The board members left approximately at 8 A M to be on call with the loan of walkie-talkie's from the County, and to check polling places.

November 8, 1983 5P.M.

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

Thirty (30) absentee ballots were counted with the results being as follows:

CLAREMONT MUNICIPAL

MAYOR	Absentee Votes
Joseph M (Joe) Chandler	2
Carroll G. Sigmon	0

Councilmen

Martha Harwell Bolick	2
Frank R. Bolton	0
Clarence T Cole	0
Elizabeth W (Libby) Connor	2
Eddy G. Harwell	1
Robert M. Hefner	1
Jimmy L (Jim) Johnson	0
Charles E. Mitchem	0
William (Bud) Watts	0

CONOVER MUNICIPAL

MAYOR	Absentee Vote
Harvey O. Hawn	3
Franklin D Herman	1

Councilmen

Floyd K. Brown Sr	3
Hal W. Kaylor	4
E James (Jim) Scott Jr	1
J. Olin Winters	4

HICKORY MUNICIPAL		HICKORY BOARD OF EDU.		Absentee
Alderman, Ward 1		Absentee	Votes	VOTES
Neill W. Clark Jr	15	SW- 3:		
		Larry A. Isenhour	2	
Alderman, Ward 2		John Simpson	0	
Bruce E. Meisner	9	SW-4		
Harold K. Poovey	5	Allen Mitchell	2	
Alderman, Ward 3		SW-6		
Betty Eggers McCurry	10	Jack C. Ketner	2	
Vivian K. McHaney	3	C. John Watts III	5	
Maiden Municipal		SW-AT LARGE		
MAYOR		Charles A Bagby	10	
Robert L (Bob) Smyre	1	Barbara A. Garlitz	8	
Councilmen		Special Election on		
Charles B. Carpenter	1	Additional Supplemental		
Edna Mae Heffner	0	Tax for Hickory Adminis-		
George H. Johnson Sr	0	trative School Unit		
Mrs Ida W Kirkman	2	FOR Local Tax	12	
James A (Jim) Sigmon	1	AGAINST Local Tax	5	
Paul A. Wilkinson	1			

N/C Board of Education  
 Newton District:                      Absentee Vote  
 Larry A. Hollar                              1  
 William E. Zimtbaum                        2

Conover District:  
 Leslie (Les)Wicker                        4

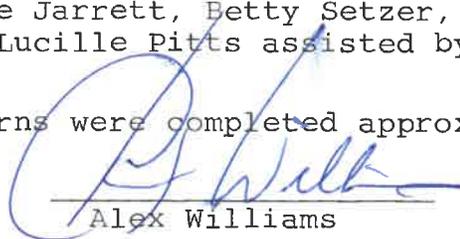
The absentee voters names were entered into the Absentee Poll Book and signed by all board members. The board members adjourned to reconvene in the Superior Court Room to receive precinct returns from the 30 precincts involved in the municipal and school district elections.

November 8, 1983 7:30 P M

The Catawba County Board of Elections reconvened in the Superior Courtroom of the Catawba County Courthouse to receive precinct returns. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

The votes were reported by telephone by the registrars of the 30 pcts and recorded on the chalk board by the 3 board members. Receiving the returns were Sue Brewer, Joyce Jarrett, Betty Setzer, Mary Bess Lawing, Linda Guess, & Bea Sherrill. Lucille Pitts assisted by Larrey Brewer recorded on the tally sheet.

The UNOFFICIAL precinct returns were completed approximately 8:30 P.M.

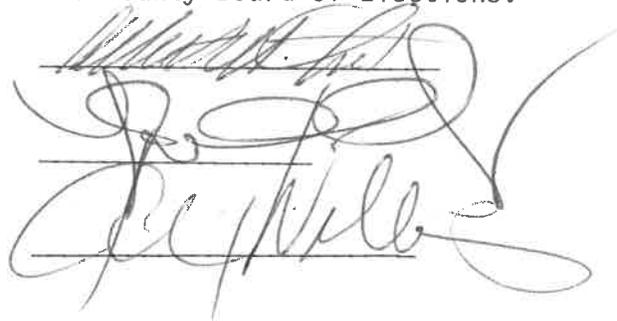
  
 Alex Williams

November 9, 1983

BE IT RESOLVED BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR CATAWBA COUNTY that to judicially determine the results from November 8, 1983 General Election the following box or boxes were opened to obtain these results:

Precinct #6 Claremont

By Directive order of the Board of Elections, a copy of this order is in the minutes of the Catawba County Board of Elections.

The image shows three handwritten signatures in cursive script, each written over a horizontal line. The signatures are arranged vertically. The top signature is the most legible, appearing to read 'W. H. ...'. The middle signature is more stylized and less legible. The bottom signature is also stylized and less legible.

November 9, 1983 1:45 P 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 November 9, 1983 at 1:45 P M. Members present, Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

Purpose of this meeting was to assist with the audit done on Wednesday by the supervisor and staff in preparation of the Canvass on Thursday.

As per statute 163-171, the following order by the Catawba County Board of Elections was used to properly audit the returns: By order of the Board of Elections, Claremont precinct #6's sealed box was opened to judicially determine the results. A copy of this order is as follows:

November 9, 1983

BE IT RESOLVED BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR CATAWBA COUNTY THAT to judicially determine the results from the November 8, 1983 General Election the following box or boxes were opened to obtain these results:

#6 Claremont Precinct

By Directive order of the Board of Elections, a copy of this order is in the minutes of the Catawba County Board of Elections pursuant to G. S. 163-171.

- /s/ Albert M. Yount
- /s/ Lewis Waddell, Jr.
- /s/ Alex Williams

1:45 P M - 6 P M

Thursday, November 10, 1983 11 A.M.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, November 10, 1983 at 11 A. M. in the Superior Courtroom in the Catawba County Courthouse to CANVASS the votes of the November 8, 1983 General Election. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell, Jr and Alex Williams. This meeting is to comply with the G.S. 163-175 for the board members to meet the 2nd day after election to officially canvass all returns. Albert Yount, chairman, presided.

Lewis Waddell moved the following be placed in the minutes of the Catawba County Board of Elections. Prior to this meeting that the supervisor, by direction of the board, contacted Mr. Carroll Sigmon and Mr. Joe Chandler, who are principal parties in the election in Claremont and requested that both parties be present, individually and with their representatives if available to them. Prior to the start of this meeting for an informal meeting with the Board of Elections, purpose of that meeting being simply a matter of courtesy to discuss certain matters that to come before this board. This to be placed upon the record that Mr. Chandler and his representative are here and Mr Sigmon was not, and due to the fact that there was an absence of one of those individuals, the board felt it appropriate not to conduct or hold such informal meeting as it had contemplated since only 1 person was here, to that end, the board tried to make such information available to both sides prior to this meeting as a matter of courtesy to those 2 individuals. THIS MOTION was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Next order of business was the situation that developed in the City of Claremont. Mr. Yount read a release that will be given the press, it was as follows:

The Catawba County Board of Elections, pursuant to Board policy, has instructed the election supervisor for the Board to examine all machine records to determine the over-vote situation in each box. Where the Board determines that there are sufficient over-votes to affect an election, the Board then conducts an audit of the affected box or boxes and thus determines the exact count in the box.

The voting machines, having done their job correctly, are thus given the benefit of human aid in arriving at a correct count as pertains to the situation of over-votes and their affect on the balance of votes cast in an election.

Catawba County has never experienced a situation or an election where the over-votes would affect the outcome of an election. In this past election, the Claremont situation as it existed on election night was such, through the over-votes cast, that the Board has determined that the Board should conduct an audit, pursuant to Statute, of the Claremont box.

The Board, having taken this action pursuant to policy, has determined through a recount of the Claremont box that the official results of the election in Claremont are as follows:

Mayor:	Chandler	168	Votes	Councilmen:	Connor	129
	Sigmon	167			Harwell	171
Councilmen:	Bolick	105			Hefner	87
	Bolton	54			Johnson	133
	Cole	80			Mitchem	98
					Watts	139

Albert Yount made a motion that the Press Release be made a part of the official minutes of the Catawba County Board of Elections. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Lewis Waddell made a motion that the results of the City of Claremont be added to the abstracts and approved by the Board. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Mr. Joseph Chandler thanked the board for its efforts.

The supervisor advised that there were no changes found in comparing the two returns for each of the other races against the tally sheet that was recorded on Tuesday night except for Claremont. Lewis Waddell made the motion that having reviewed the returns, they were found to be in accordance with the results of Tuesday night and the abstracts be prepared of same and marked for their approval for Claremont, Conover, Hickory Maiden, Newton/Conover Board of Education and the Hickory Board of Education. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved that the General Election of November 8, 1983 be officially certified.

The official results of the Canvass stands as follows, absentee votes and transfer voters are included in the results:

Claremont Municipal Election	VOTES	Maiden Municipal Election	
Mayor:		Mayor:	VOTES
Joseph M (Joe) Chandler	168	Robert L. (Bob) Smyre	-442
Carroll G. Sigmon	167		
Councilmen:		Councilmen:	
Martha Harwell Bolick	105	Charles B. Carpenter	284
Frank R. Bolton	54	Edna Mae Heffner	326
Clarence T. Cole	80	George H Johnson Sr	95
Elizabeth W (Libby) Connor	129	Mrs Ida W Kirkman	318
Eddy G. Harwell	171	James A. (Jim) Sigmon	280
Robert M. Hefner	87	Paul A Wilkinson	336
Jimmy L (Jim) Johnson	133		
Charles E. Mitchem	98	Hickory Board of Education	
William (Bud) Watts	159	SW No. 3	
		Larry A. Isenhour	393
Conover Municipal Election		John Simpson	114
Mayor:			
Harvey O. Hawn	424	School Ward No. 4:	
Franklin D (Sonny) Herman	355	Allen Mitchell	400
Councilman:			
Floyd K. Brown Sr	548	School Ward No. 6:	
Hal W. Kaylor	656	Jack C. Ketner	805
E James (Jim) Scott Jr	344	C. John Watts, III	838
J. Olin Winters	654		
		School Ward: At Large:	
Hickory Municipal Election		Charles A (Tat) Bagby	2143
Alderman, Ward No. 1:		Barbara A. Carlitz	2170
Neill W. Clark, Jr	2543		
Alderman, Ward No. 2:		Speical Election on Additional	
Bruce E. Meisner	1755	Supplemental Tax for Hickory	
Harold K. Poovey	1258	Administrative School Unit:	
Alderman, Ward No. 3:			
Betty Eggers McCurry	2180	For Local Tax	1706
Vivian K. McHaney	1050	Against Local Tax	2544

## Newton/Conover Board of Education

Newton District:

VOTES

Larry A. Hollar 119

William E. Zimtbaum 116

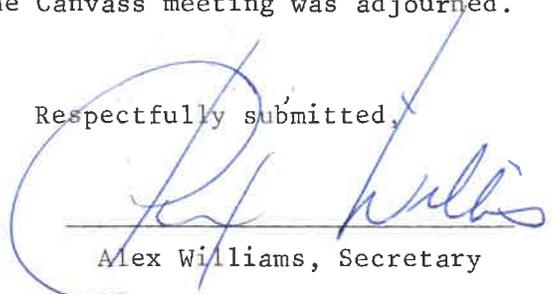
Conover District:

Leslie (Les) Wicker 699

The supervisor was advised to let the record show that Mr. Jack Ketner of the Hickory Board of Education appeared and talked informally with board members.

There being no further business the Canvass meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Alex Williams, Secretary

November 17, 1983 8:30 A M.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, November 17, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Lewis Waddell and Alex Williams.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approve the minutes as read from November 8, 9, and 10th, 1983. This motion was seconded by Alex Williams and unanimously approved.

Purpose of this meeting was to review the request from Mr. Jack C. Ketner for a recount of SW 6 Hickory Board of Education race.

Lewis Waddell made the motion that the request from Mr. Ketner be denied. Question was called. Alex Williams suggested a letter be written to Mr. Ketner explaining denial. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Resignation of Elena S Hewitt, Democrat Judge of Longview 1 was accepted.

Next item to come before the board was the "Petition" from candidates in the Claremont Municipal election. Lewis Waddell made the motion that "we elect not to proceed on the petition because it was improper and not served properly on the chairman or secretary and does not allege sufficient votes would alter said election and further on the basis that the board has already investigated a number of their allegations and found same not to have substance. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved with each item being discussed and are as follows:

The board concludes with respect to item A & B, voting precinct officials had been instructed to allow no electioneering within 50 feet. The doors to voting enclosures are shut and the board further concluded that it is basically impossible to prevent people from standing at the door electioneering in each particular instance, in this particular precinct as well as others. The Board further concluded that over-zealous individuals are present in every precinct and that further no allegations had been brought to the attention of the board on election day with respect to this allegation and that these allegations are not sufficient in the boards opinion to proceed upon.

The Board concluded with respect to the allegation concerning Mr. Ben Miller, election judge, that prior investigation <sup>by</sup> the board, with respect to the allegation at hand <sup>had been</sup> made and that the votes as alleged in sub-paragraph "C" in the petition had in fact been counted.

The Board concluded with respect to Mr. Charles Connor III, that said individual had been challenged by the precinct officials and the precinct officials had in effect allowed the voter to proceed and that same had been handled by precinct officials on election day correctly.

With regard to the allegation in "E" of the petition, the Board concluded that this was an allegation which was subject to investigation of the U. S. District Attorney of the Western District of N. C and if said petitioners desires to proceed with this matter they should contact said officials within due time.

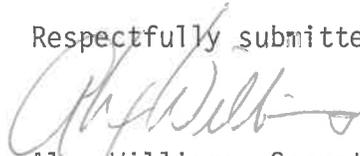
Other allegations set forth in the petition were found to be either untrue by investigation of the board or of such a nature as to be expected during the course conduct of a regular election whether in a municipal or on a county level.

The Board concluded that taking all allegation of the petition together that same would not alter the election and that further the Board proceeded

beyond past actions of this Board in ascertaining the correctness of this election and that the board unanimously felt the election had been conducted within the bounds of the election laws; had been conducted correctly and had been tabulated correctly and therefore decline to proceed any further investigation as requested by the petitioners, taking into consideration the admission by the petition that the allegations set forth in the petition did not allege a sufficient number of specific illegal ballots to change the result of the election.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alex Williams", written in dark ink.

Alex Williams, Secretary

December 20, 1983 8:30 A M

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, December 20, 1983 at 8:30 A M in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Lewis Waddell.

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell to approved the minutes from previous meeting. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by members present.

The purpose of this meeting was to review and discuss the contract and agreement with the TOWN OF BROOKFORD for the Catawba County Board of Elections to conduct their municipal elections. Motion was made by Albert Yount that we accept the contract and agreement with Resolution to have absentee ballots in their municipal election since it a non-partisan plurality type. This motion was seconded by Lewis Waddell and unanimously approved by members present. (Contract in Brookford File)

Motion was made by Lewis Waddell that the traditional ballot boxes be used in Mt. Olive #22 precinct, St. Stephens 1 #28 and Sweetwater #35 precincts in the February 7, 1984 Conover City Election due to lack of voters in said precincts. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved by members present.

Board members present discussed the situation of the Tax Administrators personnel working behind closed doors on election days in the Courthouse. It was unanimous that to their knowledge, no problem existed in the 3 past elections. The supervisor was advised to write Mr. Lundy that the office will be closed to the public with personnel working in all future elections unless some unforeseen problem should arise and then it would be looked at to decide the seriousness of its nature.

The supervisor was advised to place in the minutes by board members that the method of billing the Cities and Towns for their elections conducted by the County Board of Elections would be shared by the county if there was a school election conducted at the same time in any precinct. (All contracts state: county, state or Federal election) A School District Election is a special election. The County Attorney and Staff Attorney were contacted for their opinion and they agree.

The board unanimously accepted the resignation of Bessie Gilbert Registrar in Oakwood. Dr. Wishon has been notified.

The supervisor was advised to contact the 3 school systems in regard to a teacher workday on May 8, 1984 and November 6, 1984 and to send each a copy of the Resolution passed in the General Assembly in 1983.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Waddell

