

Wednesday, February 8, 1995

## 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 Wednesday, February 8, 1995 at 8:00 a.m. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

Motion was made by Allen Wood to approve the minutes of previous meeting. This was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the Special Order Memo from Gary Bartlett, Executive Director of the State Board of Elections, pertaining to Optical scan voting equipment. This was discussed thoroughly. It was agreed to write a letter to the State Board of Elections. Mr. Yount will do the draft.

Another purpose of this meeting was to review the proposed budget for the fiscal year of 1995-1996 as drafted by the supervisor. The supervisor requested additional personnel to give a total of 3 full time and 2 half-time as work had increased greatly due to NVRA. Mr. Abernethy questioned about doing our voter verifications by computer to save employee time. To this, the supervisor presented a voter ID card that is being approved by the State Board of Elections as mandated by HB 1776. She reported a printer is being ordered with part of our State Grant for this purpose. She also presented the DMV registrations received this day to show how time consuming they were to process. Other justification was attached to their copy of the proposed budget. The Board also asked for some explanation of the increase in the 95-96 fiscal year vs. the 93-94 year. They were shown where the Board requested what was needed, with the county manager deleting some items and also the amount returned at the end of the fiscal year of 93-94 of some line items. (The budget shows what is needed and the office budget manager tries to do with less.) Motion was made by Allen Wood to approve the budget as presented to them. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and was unanimously approved. It will be sent to Mr. Lundy, County Manager for review.

Another item on the agenda was to review the boundaries of Springs, Startown and Monogram precincts. The supervisor had been asked at the last meeting to discuss eliminating Monogram and splitting the larger precincts chosen by the Board, with the staff, and give the Board recommendations. The supervisor recommended not changing any of these. Persons in those precincts had been contacted and they did not see a problem as long as they can split the registration book alphabetically as is now being done. (The goal of this Board is that no voter wait more than 45 minutes to vote and no one did in the 1994 general election). Mr. Abernethy thought that over 3,000 voters was too many in a precinct and especially dealing with the out-stack. It was agreed by the Board for the supervisor to try to find out how many people live South of Springs Road or North of Springs Road. Springs Road would be a good natural boundary. It was also agreed for Mr. Yount to check with Catawba Springs to see if their club house could be used for a polling place and the supervisor was to check with St. Peter's Church. It was agreed to leave Startown #34 and Monogram #21 precincts as is for now. When information can be secured, the Board will meet again to discuss Springs #33 precinct to decide what needs to be done. Mr. Abernethy suggested as a courtesy to have a public meeting.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.

*David Abernethy*  
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David Abernethy, Secretary

Friday, June 9, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, June 9, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

Motion was made by Allen Wood to approve the minutes of the previous meeting after deletion of dollar amount left blank in 4th paragraph, as each member had copies prior this meeting. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The supervisor presented a letter received in this office in reply to a notice mailed a person convicted of a felony of which he had 30 days to reply if objected to removing his name from the voter files. He complied in due time. It was unanimous that a challenge to his voter registration be made. A hearing was set for July 18, 1995 at 11:30 A.M. He is to be notified.

The purpose of this meeting was to reply to the "Notice of Hearing" set by the State Board of Elections scheduled for June 15, 1995 and June 16, 1995. Mr. Abernethy had drafted a response to each of the State Board of Elections members questions. Motion was made by Allen Wood to send the response done by Mr. Abernethy by FAX this day. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor advised the Board of the half time position given this office by the County Commissioners in the 95-96 fiscal budget year. She requested of the Board to change the classification of Wanda Mode from 50% to 100%. Motion was made by Allen Wood to make this change. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved. (The Supervisor explained that a Personnel Action request is all that is needed from the Department Head as advised from the Personnel Department. The duties of the supervisor states "she may hire or dismiss with the approval of this Board".)

Other Business: Albert Yount advised the Board that a gentleman questioned him about power surges in our equipment. Mr. Yount advised that the man had called him twice to come look at some equipment he had that perhaps could prevent any power surges if we ever had them.

There being no further business, Allen Wood moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.

  
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David Abernethy, Secretary

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Wednesday, July 5, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met at the call of the Chairman on July 5, 1995, at 8:00 a.m. at the office of the Board of Elections. All members were present. The purpose of the meeting is to make necessary arrangements due to the indefinite absence of the Supervisor, Mrs. Joyce Rudisill. Mrs. Rudisill was injured on June 30 when she was struck by an automobile while walking in Raleigh, where she was attending a meeting at the office of the State Board of Elections.

Mr. Stephen D. Wyatt, Assistant County Manager, was also present at the invitation of the Board. Mr. Wyatt offered to generate necessary payroll and records of a personnel nature. The Board directed Deputy Supervisor Linda Mundy to be the staff liaison with Mr. Wyatt.

Minutes for the previous meeting were unavailable at this time. At the previous meeting, the Board ordered that a hearing be scheduled on July 18, 1995 at 11:30 a.m. in response to the request of J. David Byrd, Jr., to remain on the voter registration list. The Board determined that the notice to Mr. Byrd of such meeting was mailed on June 19, 1995.

The Board confirmed the continuing authorization of the Deputy Supervisors to accept candidate filings. The filing period will begin at noon on July 7. Mrs. Wilma Cline has agreed to assist in the office on that day.

The Board noted that the filing period for Board of Education candidates closes on September 8, and the absentee period for municipal elections begins September 18.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

  
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David Abernethy, Secretary

Tuesday, July 18, 1995

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 18, 1995 at 12:00. Members present were Albert Yount, David Abernethy and Allen Wood.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to swear in the new board members. The new board is Albert Yount, Chairman, David Abernethy, Secretary and Allen Wood.

The motion was also granted for a continuance of David Byrd's hearing until August 22, 1995.

There being no further business, Allen Wood moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.

*David Abernethy*  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

August 11, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on August 11, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. at the call of the Chairman Albert Yount.

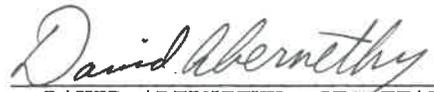
Due to the absence of the Supervisor, and unavailability of a county printing machine, the staff is falling behind in the work. The chairman was authorized to request a temporary employee to assist the staff through the week after canvass.

The Chairman was authorized to make an office key available to the County Manager so that the office can be cleaned.

A primary will be necessary in Ward 1 of the City of Hickory. In the November election, schoolboard races will be put in a separate column from city races.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 1995 to approve precinct officials and hold hearing for Mr. Byrd.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 A.M.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Tuesday, August 22, 1995

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, August 22, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

In the matter of John David Byrd, Jr.

Mr. Byrd was present and sworn. The Board received as evidence a true certified copy of case file 94 CRS 2213, Catawba County, in which a plea of guilty was entered on 1/13/95 to the felony of embezzlement by Insurance Agent and the misdemeanor of obtaining insurance premium by fraud. Mr. Byrd said he pled guilty and was convicted as the certified copy states. Mr. Byrd said he had evidence he wasn't guilty, but was between jobs and had no money to pay a lawyer. He says he did nothing wrong, and that he is a military combat veteran. He was placed on unsupervised probation for 5 years. The plea was certified by Terry Rose, Attorney.

Findings of fact: Mr. Byrd pled guilty and was convicted of a felony in 94 CRS 2213 Catawba County, and was placed on probation for 5 years on 1/13/95.

Conclusion of law and order: Mr. Byrd is no longer to remain registered to vote. Mr. Byrd is hereby removed from the registration book until such time as his citizenship shall be restored.

The Board then made the appointments for precinct officials as recommended by the party chairmen, subject to staff confirmation that they live in the appropriate precinct.

Precinct #1 Balls Creek

Chief Judge:  
Democrat Judge: Charles Estep  
Republican Judge: Evelyn Smith

Precinct #2 Banoak

Chief Judge: Alan Lutz  
Democrat Judge: Patricia Davis  
Republican Judge: Joe Wyant

Precinct #3 Blackburn

Chief Judge: Evelyn Jarrett  
Democrat Judge: Melissa Leatherman  
Republican Judge: Chad Bumgarner

Precinct #4 Brookford

Chief Judge: Lorene Griffey  
Democrat Judge: Betty Anthony  
Republican Judge: Lillian Stepp

Precinct #5 Catawba

Chief Judge:  
Democrat Judge: Janey Woods  
Republican Judge: Cecil Schronce

Precinct #6 Claremont

Chief Judge: Elizabeth W. Connor  
Democrat Judge: Rita Moser Busbee  
Republican Judge: Clyde Fortenbery

Precinct #7 Conover West

Chief Judge: Peggy Smith  
Democrat Judge: Merle Fisher  
Republican Judge: Lee Moritz

Precinct #8 Conover East

Chief Judge: James W. Simpson  
Democrat Judge: Alma Dixon  
Republican Judge: Nancy Pannell

Precinct #9 East Maiden

Chief Judge: Mary Ellen Richard  
Democrat Judge: Faye A. Lail  
Republican Judge: Sharon Abernethy

Precinct #10 East Newton

Chief Judge: Yvonne L. Wood  
Democrat Judge: Corene Clark  
Republican Judge: Richard Fish

Precinct #11 College Park  
Chief Judge: Alice Watts  
Democrat Judge: Addie Hall  
Republican Judge: William Treadwell

Precinct #12 Kenworth  
Chief Judge: Barbara Meadows  
Democrat Judge: Buddy Wayne Little  
Republican Judge: Elaine Dula Seaver

Precinct #13 Greenmont  
Chief Judge: Charlie Meadows  
Democrat Judge: Olive M. Kaylor  
Republican Judge: Dorothy Hawkins

Precinct #14 Oakwood  
Chief Judge: Ann H. Mason  
Democrat Judge: Violet Barkley  
Republican Judge: Kathleen H. Boliek

Precinct #15 Ridgeview  
Chief Judge: Annette Jones  
Democrat Judge: Bonnie Rice  
Republican Judge:

Precinct #16 Highland  
Chief Judge: Clarice Icenhour  
Democrat Judge: Winnie Mitchell  
Republican Judge: Janet Baca

Precinct #17 Longview North  
Chief Judge: Helen C. Lockman  
Democrat Judge: Eva T. Ervin  
Republican Judge: Mildred Deitz

Precinct #19 Longview South  
Chief Judge: Dorothy Phillips  
Democrat Judge: Ethel Dale  
Republican Judge: Faye Bean

Precinct #20 Maiden  
Chief Judge: Ann Greer  
Democrat Judge: Raydell McRee  
Republican Judge: Ruby Sigmon

Precinct #21 Monogram  
Chief Judge: Jacquelyn Campbell  
Democrat Judge: Betty Houston  
Republican Judge: Joe Rudisill

Precinct #22 Mt. Olive  
Chief Judge: Doris Blackburn  
Democrat Judge: Ruby Clark  
Republican Judge: Vernon Setzer

Precinct #23 Mtn. View 1  
Chief Judge:  
Democrat Judge: Hilda Clay Taylor  
Republican Judge: Myra Myers

Precinct #24 Mtn. View 2  
Chief Judge: Betty Hefner  
Democrat Judge: Melissa B. Lackey  
Republican Judge: Jean Pitts

Precinct #25 North Newton  
Chief Judge:  
Democrat Judge: Betty Simmons  
Republican Judge: Betty Curlee

Precinct #26 Oakland Heights  
Chief Judge: Katherine C. Clark  
Democrat Judge: Patricia Lee  
Republican Judge: Sherrie Abernethy

Precinct #27 Oxford  
Chief Judge: Mary Dellinger Bolick  
Democrat Judge: Margaret James  
Republican Judge: W.B. Mulligan, Jr.

Precinct #28 St. Stephens 1  
Chief Judge: Dana Lingerfelt  
Democrat Judge: Viola Hicks  
Republican Judge: Joan Noble

Precinct #29 St. Stephens 2  
Chief Judge:  
Democrat Judge: Irma Cline Hollar  
Republican Judge: Loretta Brittain

Precinct #30 Sandy Ridge  
Chief Judge: Bobby L. Peeler  
Democrat Judge: Willa Dean Adcock  
Republican Judge: Margaret Hahn

Precinct #31 Sherrills Ford  
Chief Judge: Samuel White  
Democrat Judge: Joy Lynn Beatty  
Republican Judge: Jimmy Gantt

Precinct #32 South Newton  
Chief Judge: Jean Hinson  
Democrat Judge: Lois Barringer  
Republican Judge: Ruby B. Cook

## Precinct #33 Springs

Chief Judge: Florence Lail  
Democrat Judge: Evelyn Killian  
Republican Judge: Ira S. Cline

## Precinct #34 Startown

Chief Judge: Peggy Sigmon  
Democrat Judge: Joyce Sigmon  
Republican Judge: Kathy Johnson

## Precinct #35 Sweetwater

Chief Judge: Frankie Caldwell  
Democrat Judge: George Futrelle  
Republican Judge: Ann Lutz

## Precinct #36 Viewmont #1

Chief Judge: Joan Christy  
Democrat Judge: Armada Nelson  
Republican Judge: Walter Zimmerman

## Precinct #37 Viewmont #2

Chief Judge: Georgia Collins  
Democrat Judge: Herbert C. Seabock  
Republican Judge: George Twitchell

## Precinct #38 Falling Creek

Chief Judge: Henry Lee Jarvis  
Democrat Judge: Evelyn Walz  
Republican Judge: GEO (Eugene) Hahn, Jr.

## Precinct #39 Northwest

Chief Judge: Kenneth Jones  
Democrat Judge: Betty Fowler  
Republican Judge: Mary Jo Williams

## Precinct #40 West Newton

Chief Judge: Kenyon Kelly  
Democrat Judge: Sara Caldwell  
Republican Judge: Pamela Farmer

## Precinct #41 Lake Norman

Chief Judge: Harold Miller  
Democrat Judge: Freda E. McNeely  
Republican Judge: Clyde G. Sigmon

The Board voted to meet at 8:00 A.M. on the days at which they meet to approve absentee applications.

The Chairman stated that Mrs. Jean Sigmon was hired, on his authorization, as a temporary employee on an emergency basis, as the office was staffed at the time by only one person. Mrs. Sigmon has previous experience in this capacity working for the board. The Chairman believed that immediate help was needed as Mrs. Mode was sick and Mrs. Mundy has been attending a sick family member. The Board ratified the actions of the Chairman in this matter.

The Board then approved the legal notices for the primary and general election as proposed by the Hickory City Attorney.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 A.M.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Thursday, September 7, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on September 7, 1995 at 8:00 a.m. at the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, David Abernethy and Allen Wood.

Katherine Clark, whom the Board appointed as Chief Judge of Pct. #26, has asked that she not serve in that capacity. The Democratic judge will be contacted to assist in filling the position.

The Board will request a copy of the State Board minutes of August 24-25, 1995, supposedly containing a resolution concerning recounts of races in which optical scan tabulators were used.

The Board notes with pleasure the return of Mrs. Joyce Rudisill to Catawba County. The Board then went into Executive session to discuss the county's policy concerning workers who have been disabled for a period of time, and how the policy relates to Mrs. Rudisill. Present for this discussion were Janith Huffman, Personnel Director, and Betty Coulter, Risk Manager for the County.

The Board then returned to public session.

For this fall, the Board will operate without a supervisor on duty, as Mrs. Rudisill has not been released for work by her physician. During this time, the staff will report directly to the Board. The staff will notify the Chairman in the event decisions by the Board are needed.

The Board requested that the staff give the County's information services department copies of material relating to the planned statewide computer network for elections.

Adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

*David Abernethy*  
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David Abernethy  
Secretary

Friday, September 22, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, September 22, 1995, at 8:00 a.m. in the office of the board of elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

Minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

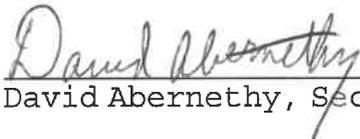
The Board decided that Precinct #11, College Park Jr. High, would be the central location for PTV's for the October 10, 1995 Primary Election.

Motion was made to approve the following absentee applications for the October 10, 1995 primary.

OS-1 AND OS-2

Absentees were not approved for David M. Max and Sara L. Max due to the fact that they do not live in Ward 1 of the City of Hickory.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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David Abernethy, Secretary

September 26, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, September 26, 1995 at 8:00 a.m. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Allen Wood.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and appoint precinct officials.

The following precinct officials were approved: Herbert C. Seabock was appointed as Chief Judge, precinct #37 Viewmont 2 and Catherine Adams was appointed as Democrat Judge for Precinct #37 Viewmont 2. Edwina Deal was appointed as Democrat Judge for Precinct #11 College Park.

The following absentee application was approved by the Board for the November 7, 1995 General Election.

C-1

The Board also approved Tuesday, October 24, 1995 and Thursday, October 26, 1995, as the dates for the Instructional Meetings for the November 7, 1995 Municipal and School Board Elections. The meetings will begin at 6:30 P.M.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



ALLEN WOOD, MEMBER FOR  
DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

SEPTEMBER 29, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, September 29, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Allen Wood.

The purpose of this meeting was to approve absentee applications.

The following absentee application was approved by the Board for the November 7, 1995 General Election:

C-2

The following absentee applications were approved by the Board for the October 10, 1995 Hickory Municipal, Ward 1 Primary:

C-1 & C-2

OS-3 & OS-4

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



ALLEN WOOD, MEMBER FOR  
DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1995

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 3, 1995, at 8:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount and Allen Wood.

Minutes from previous meetings were approved.

The following absentee applications were approved by the Board for the October 10, 1995, City of Hickory Municipal Primary, Ward 1.

- A/B-3
- A/B-4
- A/B-7
- A/B-10

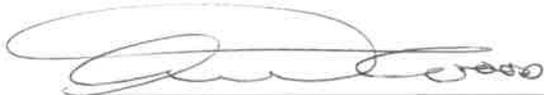
OS-5

The Board approved Mary Guthrie to serve as the Democrat Judge in Precinct #16 Highland and also approved Carolyn Abee as the Provisional Voter and PTV Coordinator at Pct. #11 College Park which is going to be the Central Location.

The Board approved October 25, 1995 and October 26, 1995 as the dates for the instructional meetings for the November 7, 1995 General Election instead of October 24 and October 26, 1995, which was previously scheduled.

The Board decided, upon advice from the State Board, to let Ray Lemmond, in MIC, run printouts of the abstracts to be sent to the State Board.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.




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ALLEN WOOD, MEMBER FOR  
 DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Friday, October 6, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 6, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections.

Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

The Board approved Edith McAlpin to serve as the Republican Judge in Precinct #16 Highland for the October 10, 1995 Primary Election.

The Board approved the following One-Stop Application for the October 10, 1995 Primary.

OS-6

Wanda Mode talked with Mr. Tommy Wooten about delivery date of ballots. Mrs. Mode told him we needed the Newton ballots by Monday, October 9, 1995. He could not promise that we would have them by then, however, Mr. Wooten did say he would try to have them to us by Tuesday, October 10, 1995 or Wednesday, October 11, 1995.

At the request of the Board, Jan Huffman, Personnel Director and Betty Coulter, Risk Manger were present for the meeting to give the Board an update on Mrs. Joyce Rudisill's condition.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, October 9, 1995 at 5:00 P.M. in the office of the Board of Elections.

Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The Board approved the following absentee applications for the October 10, 1995 City of Hickory Municipal Ward 1 Primary:

- A/B - 11
- A/B - 12
- A/B - 14

The board also directed that A/B-13 be added to the list of applications approved in the minutes of October 3, 1995, as it had been inadvertently omitted.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

*David Abernethy*  
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 DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1995

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the Board of Elections Office on Tuesday, October 10, 1995 at 5:00 P.M. for the purpose of counting absentee ballots. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The absentee voters' names were entered into the absentee poll book by the staff. Each were checked by the board members and the poll book signed.

**CITY OF HICKORY  
MUNICIPAL WARD 1  
ALDERMAN**

**ABSENTEE VOTES**

<b>JAMES C. (JAY) ADAMS, JR.</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>JEFF M. CLINE</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>GERALDINE (GERRY) HAYES</b>	<b>6</b>

The results were posted on the board in the meeting room of the Catawba County Government Center.

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters as related to the Board by the staff.

Absentee applications for the November 7, 1995 General Election has not been approved yet, as we have no ballots as of this date.

The unofficial results were completed at approximately 8:15 P.M.

The Board unanimously adjourned and will meet again on Thursday, October 12, 1995 at 11:00 A.M.

  
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**DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY**

Thursday, October 12, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the board room of the Elections Office on Thursday, October 12, 1995 at 11:00 A.M.

Members present were Albert Yount and David Abernethy.

The Board began the canvass by opening and reviewing the returns brought and mailed to the office. The Board then counted provisional ballots 1, 2 and 3.

RESULTS:	ADAMS	0
	CLINE	2
	HAYES	1

The Board ordered the box for absentees unsealed and placed the provisional ballots therein, and resealed the box.

The Board approved appointments of Republican Judges as follows:

Margaret Ann Campbell	#26 Oakland Heights
Ruth Dimsdale	#22 Mt. Olive

Janith Huffman, Personnel Director, reported to the Board that a copy of a county investigation would be given to the Board and briefly discussed same. Steve Wyatt, Assistant County Manager, read the written report to the Board and will correct typos noted. A copy will be filed in the Executive Minute Book.

The Board approved Executive Session Minutes of September 7 and October 10, 1995 and minutes of October 9 and October 10, 1995.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

*David Abernethy*  
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 DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

OCTOBER 20, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 20, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

The following absentee applications were approved by the Board for the November 7, 1995 General Election:

C-4  
M-1  
OS-1  
OS-2  
OS-3

The County Attorney advised the Board that it is proper to honor the request of Mr. Gary Bartlett, Executive Secretary-Director, State Board of Elections, for a copy of the confidential memorandum prepared by Steve Wyatt, Assistant County Manager and Jan Huffman, Personnel Director, for Catawba County, to the Board dated October 12, 1995.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

October 24, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 24, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

The following absentee applications were approved by the Board for the November 7, 1995 General Election.

C-5  
C-6  
OS-4  
A/B-2  
A/B-3  
A/B-5  
A/B-6

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Friday, October 27, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 27, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

The following Chief Judges and Judges were approved by the Board for the November 7, 1995 General Election:

#8 CONOVER EAST  
ALMA DIXON - CHIEF JUDGE  
NANCY CLARK- DEMOCRAT JUDGE

#16 HIGHLAND  
SADIE RAWL DUNN - DEMOCRAT JUDGE

#25 NORTH NEWTON  
SARA LAIL - CHIEF JUDGE

#40 WEST NEWTON  
VIVIAN PIKE - DEMOCRAT JUDGE

CENTRAL LOCATION - GOVERNMENT CENTER

DONNA CALDWELL  
NANCY JO TEAGUE  
SUE HOUCK  
EVELYN JARRETT

The Board also approved the following absentee applications:

OS-5, OS-6, OS-7, OS-8, OS-9,  
OS-10, OS-11, OS-12, OS-13

C-3, C-7

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Monday, October 30, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, October 30, 1995 at 8:00 A.M. at the Board of Elections office.

Members present were Allen Wood.

The following absentee applications were faxed to Albert Yount and David Abernethy for their approval.

C-8, C-9

All applications were approved by the Board.

The Board will meet on Tuesday, October 31, 1995.



ALLEN WOOD MEMBER FOR DAVID ABERNETHY  
SECRETARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 31, 1995 in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

The Board agreed to authorize the Secretary to sign the rental agreement for the Neill Clark Gym-Gameroom for Precinct #39 Northwest for the November 7, 1995 General Election.

The Board appointed Boyce Cloninger to be Chief Judge for Precinct #5 Catawba for the November 7, 1995 General Election.

The Board approved the following absentee applications upon motion by Allen Wood and seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously passed:

OS-14 thru OS-21  
A/B-7 - A/B-12  
C-4

A second absentee request was received from Frances S. Cauble. This was a duplicate request as the ballots had already been mailed from the original request dated October 26, 1995.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Friday, November 3, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Friday, November 3, 1995 in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

The Board appointed Dorothy Hawkins as Chief Judge for Precinct #13 Greenmont for the November 7, 1995 General Election.

The Board approved the following absentee applications for the November 7, 1995 General Election:

OS-22 thru 39 (including OS-34A)

C-1, C-5, C-7

A/B-8, A/B-9, A/B-17, A/B-23,  
A/B-31, A/B-32/A/B-35, A/B-38

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

David Abernethy  
DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Monday, November 6, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, November 6, 1995 at 5:00 P.M. in the office of the Board of Elections. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

The Board appointed Evelyn Whitener, Precinct #14 Oakwood as Republican Judge and George Furlong as Republican Judge in Precinct #26 Oakland Heights for the November 7, 1995 General Election.

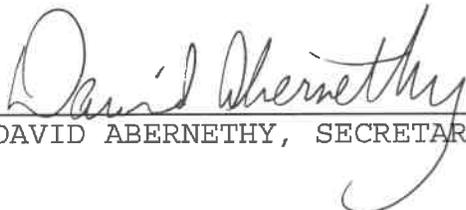
The Board approved the following absentee applications for the November 7, 1995 General Election:

C-2, C-8, C-9

OS-40, OS-41, OS-42, OS-42A, OS-43, OS-45, OS-46,  
OS-47, OS-48, OS-49, OS-50, OS-51

A/B-4, A/B-10, A/B-11, A/B-13, A/B-14, A/B-15,  
A/B-26, A/B-27, A/B-28, A/B-29, A/B-33, A/B-34,  
A/B-36, A/B-40, A/B-41

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Tuesday, November 7, 1995

The Catawba County Board of Elections staff were on duty in the office of the Board of Elections on Tuesday, November 7, 1995 at 5:45 A.M. to assist precinct officials if needed. Albert Yount and Allen Wood came by the office and David Abernethy was on call at his office until mid-afternoon when he came to the Board of Elections Office.

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the board of elections at 5:00 P.M. for the purpose of counting absentee ballots. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy. The Board was assisted by Wanda Mode.

The absentee voters names were entered into the absentee poll book by Carolyn Huffman. Each were checked by the board members, and the poll book was signed.

There were 89 absentee ballots counted with the results as follows:

**CITY OF CONOVER**

**ABSENTEE VOTES**

Mayor	
Bruce Eckard	8
Councilmen	
Richard Grant	2
Hal W. Kaylor	6
Jeremiah B. Stearns	1
Stuart Terry	7
Franklin L. (Chief) Travis	6

**CITY OF HICKORY**

Alderman Ward 1	
Jeff M. Cline	27
Geraldine (Gerry) Hayes	9
Alderman Ward 2	
Bruce Meisner	27
Alderman Ward 3	
Tim Eckard	11
Larson H. Moore	20

**TOWN OF MAIDEN**

Mayor	
Twyla B. Barkley	6

Bob Smyre	5
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**Maiden (Continued)**

Councilmen	
Kent M. Auton	1
Bill Cashion	1
Tracy Heffner	7
Harry L. Hipps	7
Marty Little	9
Bobby G. Sigmon	6

**CITY OF NEWTON**

Mayor	
Mary Bess Lawing	8
H. Tom Rowe	22

Aldermen	
Robert (Bobby) Coulter	15
Wayne Dellinger	14
Thomas C. Hurley	6
Roy Johnson	18
Kemp Page Litton	1
Nellie D. Martin	19
Mike Moore	12

**HICKORY ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL UNIT**

Ward No. At Large	
Chip Fotheringham	21

Ward No. 1	
Nancy R. Meek	1

Ward No. 2	
Sarah Talbert	12

Ward No. 4	
Allen Mitchell, Sr.	0

Ward No. 6	
Joab Cotton, III	7

**NEWTON-CONOVER ADMIN. SCHOOL UNIT**

Conover	
Fielding Clark, II	6
Jackie P. Stone	5

Newton	
Flora Belle Abernethy	13
Scott A. Coley	6

Paulette A. Deal 1  
Alan G. Forshey 16

**Newton (Continued)**

Ed Gurley 16

The Town of Brookford, City of Claremont, Town of Catawba and The Town of Long View had no absentees to be counted.

The Board members were present in the board office at 7:30 P.M. to receive results.

The accumulative totals were displayed on the TV monitors done by the Management Information Center.

The unofficial precinct returns were completed approximately 9:30 P.M. The Board unanimously adjourned to meet again on Thursday, November 9, 1995 at 11:00 A.M.



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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Thursday, November 9, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, November 9, 1995 at 11:00 A.M. The purpose of the meeting was to comply with N.C. General Statute 163-75 (to certify the election results at an official canvass). Board members present were Allen Wood and David Abernethy. Albert Yount was excused due to the death of his mother-in-law.

Mr. Tracy H. Clark requested a recount conducted by hand in the Claremont City Council race. The return signed by the precinct officials showed Mr. Clark receiving 107 votes and the third place finisher, Mr. William (Bud) Watts, a write-in candidate, receiving 109 votes. Mr. Watts also joined in the request for a recount. The Chief Judge, Elizabeth Connor, also stated she was not absolutely confident in the result due to the closeness of the results and the large number of write-in votes.

The Board passed a motion made by Allen Wood and seconded by David Abernethy to grant the request for a hand recount.

Those present for the recount were:

David Abernethy, Board Secretary  
 Allen Wood, Board Member  
 Wanda Mode, Staff  
 Linda Mundy, Staff  
 Elizabeth Connor, Chief Judge  
 Rita Busbee, Democrat Judge  
 Tracy Clark, Candidate  
 Nicky Setzer, Candidate  
 Carroll Stiles, Candidate  
 William D. (also known as Bud) Watts, Write-In Candidate

Elizabeth Connor, Rita Busbee and Wanda Mode were sworn in as Ballot Counters by David Abernethy.

The final results were:	Tracy H. Clark	108
	Nicky E. Setzer	119
	James Paul (PJ) Stanley	112
	Carroll Stiles	87
Write-In	William (Bud) Watts	109
Write-In	Mike Baker	5
Write-In	Jackie Devlin	3

It was noted that the results recorded by the precinct officials and the Board for the write-in candidates were exactly the same.

The Board congratulated the precinct officials for their accuracy.

The Board then proceeded to count the Provisional Ballots. There were 37 Provisional Ballots cast. All were counted except four(4).

Those not counted were:

- Precinct #22, PB-2 - Lives outside city limits. Not eligible to vote in city election.
- Precinct #25, PB-1 - Registered after deadline. Not eligible to vote in this election.
- Precinct #40, PB-2 - Registered after deadline. Not eligible to vote in this election.
- Precinct #33, PB-2 - Lives outside city limits. Not eligible to vote in city election.

These uncounted ballots were placed and sealed in the Provisional Ballot Box.

The Board then began opening and reviewing the returns brought and mailed to the office. After doing so, IT WAS UNANIMOUS BY THE BOARD MEMBERS THAT THE GENERAL ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 7, 1995 WAS OFFICIALLY CERTIFIED.

The official results of the Canvass stands as follows: (89 absentees are included in totals).

#### **BROOKFORD MUNICIPAL**

Aldermen	Votes
Myrtle L. Franklin	29
Janet S. Lutz	19
Thomas Vance Workman	27

#### **CATAWBA MUNICIPAL**

Mayor	
Mitchell Smith Setzer	175
Write-In	5
Commissioner	
Annie L. Lowrance	46
Paula L. Miller	81
Lee Ann Penley	27
Vance Readling	86
Donald R. Robinson	118

**CLAREMONT MUNICIPAL**

Mayor	
Joe Chandler	136
Write-In	25

**Claremont (Continued)**

Councilmen	
Tracy H. Clark	108
Nicky E. Setzer	119
James Paul (PJ) Stanley	112
Carroll L. Stiles	87
Write-Ins:	
William (Bud) Watts	109
Mike Baker	5
Jackie Devlin	3

**CONOVER MUNICIPAL**

Mayor	
Bruce Eckard	753
Write-In	2

Councilmen	
Richard Grant	381
Hal W. Kaylor	579
Jeremiah B. Stearns	203
Stuart Terry	699
Franklin L. (Chief) Travis	634

**HICKORY MUNICIPAL**

Alderman Ward 1	
Jeff M. Cline	1447
Geraldine (Gerry) Hayes	976

Alderman Ward 2	
Bruce Meisner	1884
Write-In	7

Alderman Ward 3	
Tim Eckard	1013
Larson H. Moore	1278
Write-In	1

**LONG VIEW MUNICIPAL**

Alderman Ward 1	
Jack C. Bridges, Sr.	34
Elizabeth (Lib) Johnson	82

Alderman Ward 3	
Rena P. Church	28
Jack White	39

Alderman Ward 4	
Lester (Micky) Berry	26
Charles F. Heil	21
Vernon R. Moyer	40

#### MAIDEN MUNICIPAL

Mayor	
Twyla B. Barkley	255
Bob Smyre	367

Councilman	
Kent M. Auton	298
Bill Cashion	91
Tracy Heffner	388 ✓
Harry L. Hipps	220
Marty Little	353 ✓
Bobby G. Sigmon	303 ✓

#### NEWTON MUNICIPAL

Mayor	
Mary Bess Lawing	602
H. Tom Rowe	1142

Alderman	
Robert (Bobby) Coulter	715
Wayne Dellinger	942
Thomas C. Hurley	545
Roy Johnson	761
Kemp Page Litton	143
Nellie D. Martin	871
Mike Moore	855

#### HICKORY SCHOOL

Ward at Large	
Chip Fotheringham	1922
Write-In	7

Ward 1	
Nancy R. Meek	250

Ward 2	
Sarah Talbert	543

Ward 4	
Allen Mitchell, Sr.	244

Ward 6	
Joab Cotton III	456
Write-In	2

**NEWTON-CONOVER SCHOOL**

Conover District	
Fielding Clark II	550
Jackie P. Stone	405

**NEWTON-CONOVER SCHOOL**

Newton District	
Flora Belle Abernethy	589
Scott A. Coley	546
Paulette A. Deal	166
Alan G. Forshey	668
Ed Gurley	716

The Board passed a motion made by David Abernethy, seconded by Allen Wood that the Board commend the Staff for an excellent job done during this election in the absence of the Supervisor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

*David Abernethy*  
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 DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

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Monday, November 13, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, November 13, 1995 at 5:00 P.M. Members present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood and David Abernethy.

The purpose of this meeting was to have a hearing as to whether or not to grant the request of Paula Miller, Candidate for Commissioner for the Town of Catawba, for a hand re-count. Ms. Miller filed a request for a re-count on November 10, 1995. A copy of her request is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Ms. Miller stated that election officials had advised her not to submit her request for a recount until after the canvass. Thus, the Board found good cause under NCAC Title 8, .001(f) for the delay in filing the request.

The return signed by the precinct officials on election day showed that Ms. Miller was five votes behind Mr. Readling. The tabulator tape showed 46 undervotes.

In addition to basing her request to the possibility that the 46 undervotes shown on the tabulator tape might contain additional votes cast in her favor, Ms. Miller testified that precinct officials had allowed another candidate to handle voted ballots on election night after the polls had closed. The other candidate was present and confirmed that this had occurred.

Mr. Wood moved to allow Ms. Miller's request. Mr. Abernethy stated that there was little chance that a recount would change the result, and that therefore he ordinarily would have voted to deny the request as not meeting the requirements of NCAC Title 8 Chapter 2 Section .0001(a)(6). However, he seconded the motion on the basis of the handling of the ballots by a candidate, which was in his opinion grossly improper. The motion was then unanimously approved.

Present for the re-count were:

Albert Yount, Allen Wood, David Abernethy, Mitchell Setzer, Paula Miller, Annie L. Lowrance, Wanda Mode, Jean Sigmon and Linda Mundy. Albert Yount, David Abernethy and Allen Wood conducted a hand re-count and the ballots cast in Precinct #5 (Catawba Precinct) for the office of Town Commissioner of the Town of Catawba.

The following is the results of the re-count:

Annie L. Lowrance	46
Paula L. Miller	82
Lee Ann Penley	25
Vance Readling	89
Donald R. Robinson	117

These results were to be added to the provisional ballot totals to give the totals for the race (there were no absentee ballots in this race). It was ordered that an amended abstract be sent to the Town Clerk of Catawba and the State Board of Elections, and that a copy be retained in the Board of Elections Office.

The Board directed that a letter of reprimand be sent to the precinct officials in Precinct #5 due to the grant of permission to a candidate to handle voted ballots.

The Board stated that Charles Deal has been apologized to by the Chief Judge. He was deleted from the files by mistake. The Board feels no other apology is necessary.

The Board gave permission for the staff to open precinct #19 Long View South and Precinct #35 Sweetwater's tubs to get supplies out.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

The Catawba County Board of Elections met December 5, 1995 at 4:04 P.M. in the Board office upon the call of the Chairman. Present were Albert Yount, Allen Wood, David Abernethy, Mr. Bill Rudisill, Mrs. Joyce Rudisill, Mrs. Betty Coulter, and Ms. Carolyn Crouch.

The Board considered an invitation to visit extended by the Wake County Board of Elections. The Board agreed to ask them to list three dates in January that would be convenient for the visit.

The Board concluded its closed session at around 4:20 P.M., having taken no action. Another meeting was scheduled for the next day. The meeting then immediately adjourned.

(Note: Immediately following conclusion of the meeting, the Chairman rescheduled the next meeting date to December 8, 1995 at 8:30 A.M.)



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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

December 12, 1995

OFFICIAL MINUTES CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Board met at 5:08 P.M. on the call of the Chairman. Present were the three Board members, Mrs. Joyce Rudisill and Mr. Bill Rudisill.

The open session minutes of December 8, 1995, were approved. The Chairman then moved that the Board go into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.10 under the provisions of the State Personnel Records Act to discuss with the Supervisor the transition schedule for her return to work. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wood and unanimously approved.

The Board went back into open session at approximately 5:57 P.M. and adjourned.

*David Abernethy*

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DAVID ABERNETHY, SECRETARY

**Catawba County Board of Elections**

**Minutes of Dec. 29, 1995**

The Board was called to order and went into closed session at 8:05 a.m. under the same provisions as have governed the last several meetings. All members were present.

During the closed session, the Board delivered a letter to the Supervisor. No action was taken.

The closed session ended at 9:08 a.m. The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*David Abernethy*  
David Abernethy,  
Secretary