

**MINUTES, OPENING OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS, LENOIR COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, 9:00 A.M. ON  
16 NOVEMBER 2012 AT ELECTION HEADQUARTERS, 110-C SOUTH HERRITAGE STREET, KINSTON, NC**

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**President:** Chairman Sharon L. Kanter, Secretary Oscar E. Herring, Board Member Kimberly B. Allison, Elections Director Dana W. King, Lenoir County Attorney Bob Griffin

**Guest:** Brian Ratledge (Ratledge Law Firm representing the Rouser 2012 Campaign), Chathan Mayberry (representing the McIntyre 2012 Campaign), Jeff Nice, President of the Lenoir County Republican Party, John Nix, Member of the Lenoir County Republican Part, Darrell Eubanks, Member of the Lenoir County Republican Party, William Kozel, Cindy Minges, and RaDonna Marshall

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Chairman Kanter called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., welcomed the attendees, and explained the protocol that would be used to review each provisional ballot. The staff at the Board of Elections had reviewed each ballot, annotated each provisional envelope, and recommended to the members of the Board if the provisional ballot should be approved or disapproved. Prior to the beginning of the review of the ballots the Elections Director King gave the guest [Ratledge, Mayberry, Nice, Eubanks, Minges, Marshall) a copy of the Lenoir County generated document "*Provisional voters by Precinct Voted*". Following of the distribution of this document the provisional ballots were given to Chairman Kanter one precinct at a time. The precinct ballots that were recommended for approval were opened by Chairman Kanter and Board Member Kimberly B. Allison and they stated the *voter's name, the rationale for the provisional ballot and "recommend approval"*. Then the Chairman read the *voter's name, and the rationale why provisional ballot was not recommended for approved*. There were 455 provisional ballots (153 for approval, 26 partial count and 276 that were not approved. The opening of the provisional ballots was a long and tedious process because Lenoir County has three Congressional districts. The opening of the provisional ballots continued into the mandated statutory time for the canvass meeting. The process of reviewing the provisional ballot (opening of the recommended approved ballots) and the review of provisional ballots not recommended for approved (ballots not opened) was completed at 12:15 p.m.

The Board took a brief break from the canvass meeting to use restroom facilities and to welcome and hear from the Chief Judges. When the Board returned from the break the Board began to review the names on the county generated report of "*Provisional Voters by Precinct Voted*". This was a laborious process because some voters had voted in the wrong precinct and manual processes had to be implemented to ensure each candidate received the votes they were entitled to receive.

The canvass meeting continued throughout the day. At 6:10 p.m. and on a motion by Oscar E. Herring, a second by Kimberly B. Allison and unanimous approval to certify the results of the ballots counted in this election (November 2012). The official results of General Election held in Lenoir County, NC on November 6, 2012 are recorded at Attachment 1.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m. on a motion by Sharon L. Kanter and a second by Oscar E. Herring.

These minutes were electronically approved by the board on November 16, 2012.

Attachment

Official Results-General Election in Lenoir County, NC on November 6, 2012

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	ONE STOP	ABSENTEE MAIL	PROVISIONAL	CURBSIDE
PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 25)	24	96.00					
REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL	40,086						
BALLOTS CAST - TOTAL	28,503		8,643	18,225	879	179	577
VOTER TURNOUT - TOTAL		71.10					
<b>US PRESIDENT</b>							
Select: 1							
Barack Obama (DEM)	13,948	49.66	3,792	9,308	301	127	420
Mitt Romney (REP)	13,980	49.78	4,662	8,566	563	49	140
Gary Johnson (LIB)	136	.48	75	53	6	0	2
WRITE-IN.	22	.08	9	12	1	0	0
<b>STRAIGHT PARTY VOTING</b>							
Select: 1							
Democratic (DEM)	11,211	63.95	2,923	7,713	215	0	360
Republican (REP)	6,208	35.41	1,951	3,895	291	0	71
Libertarian (LIB)	111	.63	55	55	1	0	0
<b>US HOUSE OF REPRESENT DIST 1</b>							
Select: 1							
G. K. Butterfield (DEM)	9,731	75.36	2,551	6,550	190	95	345
Pete DiLauro (REP)	3,025	23.43	799	2,065	117	4	40
Darryl Holloman (LIB)	157	1.22	63	87	4	1	2
<b>US HOUSE OF REPRESENT DIST 3</b>							
Select: 1							
Erik Anderson (DEM)	855	41.69	231	574	31	8	11
Walter B. Jones (REP)	1,196	58.31	465	678	39	3	11
<b>US HOUSE OF REPRESENT DIST 7</b>							
Select: 1							
Mike McIntyre (DEM)	4,681	38.04	1,506	2,969	118	19	69
David Rouzer (REP)	7,624	61.96	2,640	4,548	328	38	70
<b>GOVERNOR</b>							
Select: 1							
Walter H. Dalton (DEM)	13,498	48.50	3,632	9,062	266	128	410
Pat McCrory (REP)	14,020	50.38	4,696	8,574	554	47	149
Barbara Howe (LIB)	305	1.10	139	152	10	0	4
WRITE-IN.	8	.03	3	3	2	0	0
<b>LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR</b>							
Select: 1							
Linda D. Coleman (DEM)	14,631	53.40	4,144	9,633	293	132	429
Dan Forest (REP)	12,767	46.60	4,179	7,890	527	43	128

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<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b>							
Select: 1							
Roy Cooper (DEM)	19,581	100.00	5,803	12,697	482	143	456
<b>AUDITOR</b>							
Select: 1							
Beth A. Wood (DEM)	15,398	57.30	4,327	10,183	337	127	424
Debra Goldman (REP)	11,474	42.70	3,803	7,039	466	46	120
<b>COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE</b>							
Select: 1							
Walter Smith (DEM)	14,116	51.72	3,895	9,397	280	131	413
Steve Troxler (REP)	13,175	48.28	4,370	8,097	527	45	136
<b>COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE</b>							
Select: 1							
Wayne Goodwin (DEM)	14,847	54.89	4,101	9,885	312	125	424
Mike Causey (REP)	12,202	45.11	4,067	7,472	492	49	122
<b>COMMISSIONER OF LABOR</b>							
Select: 1							
John C. Brooks (DEM)	14,450	53.31	3,958	9,643	295	126	428
Cherie Berry (REP)	12,654	46.69	4,244	7,732	507	49	122
<b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b>							
Select: 1							
Elaine Marshall (DEM)	15,663	57.50	4,425	10,328	347	126	437
Ed Goodwin (REP)	11,577	42.50	3,816	7,129	470	48	114
<b>SUPERINTENDENT OF PUB INSTR</b>							
Select: 1							
June Atkinson (DEM)	15,742	58.00	4,422	10,414	345	129	432
John Tedesco (REP)	11,401	42.00	3,769	7,002	468	44	118
<b>TREASURER</b>							
Select: 1							
Janet Cowell (DEM)	14,964	55.40	4,161	9,923	319	126	435
Steve Royal (REP)	12,046	44.60	4,004	7,393	485	47	117
<b>NC STATE SENATE DIST 5</b>							
Select: 1							
Don Davis (DEM)	11,168	100.00	2,903	7,598	222	100	345
<b>NC STATE SENATE DIST 7</b>							
Select: 1							
Louis M. Pate, Jr. (REP)	10,835	100.00	3,909	6,354	426	48	98

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NC HOUSE REPRESENT DIST 10							
Select: 1							
Jim Babe Hardison (DEM)	4,336	35.24	1,439	2,709	100	14	74
John Bell (REP)	7,969	64.76	2,718	4,787	357	37	70
NC HOUSE REPRESENT DIST 12							
Select: 1							
George Graham (DEM)	10,709	71.86	2,795	7,249	203	100	362
Jim Dancy (REP)	4,193	28.14	1,307	2,678	156	7	45
BD OF CO COMMISSIONERS AT-LG							
Select: 2							
Reuben J. Davis (DEM)	16,622	31.72	4,683	11,036	362	118	423
Linda Rouse Sutton (DEM)	16,514	31.52	4,798	10,828	371	113	404
Darrell Eubanks (REP)	10,534	20.10	3,413	6,530	448	40	103
Patricia M. Von Canon (REP)	8,728	16.66	2,788	5,425	381	39	95
BD OF CO COMMISSIONERS DIST 3							
Select: 1							
Craig Hill (DEM)	3,394	55.65	805	2,436	70	8	75
Tommy Pharo (REP)	2,705	44.35	713	1,832	122	5	33
BD OF CO COMMISSIONERS DIST 4							
Select: 1							
Jackie Brown (DEM)	3,940	100.00	1,375	2,317	65	42	141
COUNTY BD OF EDUCATION AT-LG							
Select: 2							
Bruce Hill (DEM)	15,191	29.25	4,206	10,123	345	114	403
Merwyn K. Smith (DEM)	13,651	26.28	3,723	9,191	254	114	369
Giles Stroud (REP)	11,702	22.53	3,858	7,186	491	45	122
Tony Turner (REP)	11,398	21.94	3,772	7,030	451	35	110
COUNTY BD OF EDUCATION DIST 3							
Select: 1							
Jonathan Sargeant (DEM)	3,912	64.50	924	2,806	92	8	82
Molly B. Smith (REP)	2,153	35.50	574	1,457	92	4	26
COUNTY BD OF EDUCATION DIST 4							
Select: 1							
Garland Nobles (DEM)	3,959	100.00	1,376	2,327	69	44	143
COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS							
Select: 1							
Pam Hart Rich (DEM)	20,275	100.00	6,052	13,133	492	140	458

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<b>SUPREME CT ASSC JUSTICE (NEWBY)</b>							
Select: 1							
Sam J. Ervin IV . . . . .	10,691	49.82	3,144	6,893	341	76	237
Paul Martin Newby. . . . .	10,769	50.18	3,673	6,582	367	44	103
<b>COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE (MCGEE)</b>							
Select: 1							
Linda McGee. . . . .	12,963	62.92	4,107	8,137	367	89	263
David S. Robinson. . . . .	7,639	37.08	2,522	4,727	288	31	71
<b>COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE (BRYANT)</b>							
Select: 1							
Wanda Bryant . . . . .	11,825	57.84	3,628	7,582	291	83	241
Marty McGee. . . . .	8,619	42.16	2,914	5,228	357	33	87
<b>COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE (THIGPEN)</b>							
Select: 1							
Chris Dillon . . . . .	11,209	55.98	3,516	7,106	399	47	141
Cressie Thigpen . . . . .	8,813	44.02	2,964	5,359	247	68	175
<b>DIST CT JUDGE DIST 8 (BRANTLEY)</b>							
Select: 1							
David B. Brantley. . . . .	14,705	100.00	4,751	9,236	471	68	179
<b>DIST CT JUDGE DIST 8 (CARRAWAY)</b>							
Select: 1							
Lonnie W. Carraway . . . . .	12,048	52.54	4,027	7,401	408	54	158
Ericka Y. James . . . . .	10,884	47.46	3,082	7,219	265	69	249
<b>DIST CT JUDGE DIST 8 (FINAN)</b>							
Select: 1							
Timothy I. Finan . . . . .	13,954	100.00	4,548	8,719	443	66	178
<b>DIST CT JUDGE DIST 8 (GAYLOR)</b>							
Select: 1							
Charles P. Gaylor III . . . . .	14,358	100.00	4,643	9,003	462	67	183
<b>DIST CT JUDGE DIST 8 (TURNER)</b>							
Select: 1							
Les Turner . . . . .	15,817	100.00	5,138	9,901	510	75	193
<b>SOIL AND WATER SUPERVISOR</b>							
Select: 1							
Anthony D. Hall . . . . .	8,318	43.23	2,410	5,471	209	59	169
Randy Smith. . . . .	10,860	56.44	3,669	6,620	406	46	119
WRITE-IN. . . . .	65	.34	29	27	9	0	0

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Local Sales and Use Tax

Select: 1

For . . . . .	9,941	37.91	2,622	5,786	813	155	565
Against . . . . .	16,284	62.09	5,386	10,841	28	20	9