

# A "YES" VOTE TUESDAY CAN SAVE YOU MONEY!

As president of the Edenton Jaycees, I urge you to vote for the 1% sales tax to be voted on November 4. Your local Jaycee organization has gone on record favoring this tax since we feel that it is most important to the future well-being of our county. It is a fair tax that is shared by everyone and will be a progressive tax that grows as the economy grows. Let's keep Edenton and Chowan County growing and progressing . . . vote FOR the 1c sales tax on Tuesday, November 4th.

Wayne Ashley

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As Mayor of the Town of Edenton, I would urge your support for the local option 1% sales tax on November 4. The Town Council has gone on record that these funds will be used to reduce property taxes or if needed facilities are constructed that no additional taxes will be necessary. Remember, this is not an additional tax but a spreading of the tax base that will have people outside of our county helping to pay the cost of facilities such as hospital, parking lots, etc. No one wants to pay additional taxes, but the cost of government and the services demanded by the public are increasing. Passage of the 1c sales tax will give Chowan County \$110,000 and Edenton \$35,000. The county commissioners and the Town Council have voted to use these funds to reduce property taxes. Again, I urge you, for the betterment of our community, to vote "YES" on November 4.

George A. Byrum

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As Chairman of the Chowan Board of Commissioners, I would like to state that the commissioners pledge to you to use the money that is received from the 1% sales tax to reduce taxes on property. It has been asked that sales tax costs the average family more than a property tax increase. My answer to you is NO. It has been estimated that a 1% sales tax would cost the family of five earning between \$3,500 and \$4,000 annually, \$17.75. Also, this \$17.75 will be paid on a day to day basis and not in one lump sum. As stated, the county commissioners and the Town Council have voted to use the money received from this tax to reduce property taxes. For the betterment of Chowan County, vote YES on November 4th.

W. E. Bond

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We all know that money is needed to run the county and city governments. I am serving as a member of the Board of Education and presently as chairman of the budget committee and I know the needs of the school as well as the city and county government will increase. Money must come from some source to effectively run our schools and government. We have the choice of having our property tax to continue to rise or choose to impose an additional 1% in sales tax. The additional 1% sales tax is a pay as you go tax. The sales tax is also a growth tax; as more business is done in the community, more tax money is available. Again I say, we have the choice of either our property taxes to continue to rise or (2) to vote for the additional 1% sales tax. I hope after you have studied and listened to all the discussion for and against the tax problems, you will vote for the tax. I intend to vote for the sales tax.

N. J. George

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I endorse the one cent sales tax. All of the funds from the one cent sales tax will be returned to Chowan County and Edenton. We need the funds from the sales tax to provide for an Ad Valorem tax decrease and should provide for needed improvements without a tax increase. This also will enable the taxpayers to have a partial pay as you go plan by paying a few cents each week then pay less at the end of the year.

I encourage you to vote for the one cent sales tax.

W. Herbert Hollowell, Jr.

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When you go to the polls on November 4, remember that you are voting for a most important issue for the future of our county. Chowan County will receive more funds from the collection of taxes than is collected and will collect from all shoppers that are now purchasing in our county. With these funds, we can have the services that the people deserve and need such as better schools, medical facilities, and many others. As superintendent of schools, I urge your wholehearted support for the local option 1% sales tax.

Bill Britt

*Bill Britt*

When the people of Chowan County voted to build a new hospital they recognized the importance of good medical facilities. The repayment of the bonds has required a 30c county property tax increase. With the funds realized from the 1% local option sales tax, this increase would not have been necessary. In addition, people from other counties will be making a contribution to repay these bonds, which is certainly justified since they use our medical facilities. Vote "YES" on November 4.

Thomas M. Surratt

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A very important event is coming up on November 4, 1969, in every county in North Carolina. That is the vote for the 1% sales tax to be returned to the town and counties. It will result in a return to Chowan County of \$110,000 and to the Town, \$35,000. As president of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce I would like to urge all citizens interested in a spreading of the tax base and a reduction in property taxes to vote "YES" on November 4. The Board of Directors of the Chamber join me, Ed Puryear, in urging the passage of this most important legislation in order that we may continue to enjoy progress in Chowan County.

Edward F. Puryear

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Although I am no longer connected with local government, I maintain a keen interest in the affairs of the Town of Edenton and Chowan County. As a businessman and citizen, I realize the importance of maintaining a sound financial structure for local governments. The 1 per cent local option sales tax is a fair tax and would not adversely affect retail sales. This has been proven in other areas. A favorable vote on November 4 would be in keeping with the progressive, sound and businesslike approach exemplified in the past and most needed for the continued growth of our area.

John A. Mitchener, Jr.

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