

Mayor, Commissioner Races Contested In Boiling Spring Lakes

Both the mayor's and commissioners' races are contested in Boiling Spring Lakes.

Five of six candidates responded to the Beacon questionnaire. All candidates run at large, the mayor for a two-year term and the commissioner for four-year terms.

One of the three candidates for mayor, James M. Lamb, announced his withdrawal from the race last week.

Donna M. Baxter

Donna M. Baxter, 39, of 146 Forest Lane, is one of two candidates seeking the mayor's post.

She has served as commissioner of personnel and finance and as mayor pro tem.

As project administrator with Fischer & Porter Co., she manages a \$2.1 million service contract for the U.S. Army Terminal at Sunny Point.

Her goals for the town include developing better communication between citizens and city, increasing support to fire and rescue services, developing a drainage plan, increasing enforcement of ordinances and codes, establishing cost control measures such as equipment management, study of possible centralization of maintenance and an equipment replacement program based on age, mileage or hours of operation, and working toward a "customer" oriented police department with support and priority on protection of property through

"directed and planned patrol coverage."

"I want to be involved in the life and future of this community," she said. "I want with my neighbors' help to take my energy, experience and leadership ability and make Boiling Spring Lakes an even better place to live."

She has two daughters, Christine and Allison, is an 11-year member and past president of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a 15-year member and past council member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, chairman of the N.C. Fourth of July Festival Queens Committee and a member of the Boiling Spring Lakes Property Owners Association and its Rescue Squad, where she has been treasurer for six years.

Robert W. Williams

Robert W. Williams, 60, of 529 Palmer Drive, said he wants to give voters "a choice for progressive government."

He advocates eliminating "crisis government" for planned government with organized programs, specifically for street improvements, youth programs and alternate financing.

He earned his B.S. degree from the U.S. Naval Academy and an M.S. degree from Southern Connecticut State College.

He and his wife, Jane, have a son, Arthur, and a daughter, Mary Lou. A retired teacher who said he also



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has had industrial experienced handling large budgets, Williams has served as chairman of the city's planning board and on the Resources Development Commission for Brunswick County. He attends St. Philip's Episcopal Church, where is vestryman, junior warden and chairman of the renovation committee. He also is vice president of the Boiling Spring Lakes POA.

George Henry Lanier Jr.

George Henry Lanier Jr., 55, of 551 South Shore Drive, is seeking re-election.

He said he feels his experience and knowledge of the city and commission will help him do a good job representing the people of the city.

He is street, public works and sanitation commissioners and, he said, has "worked hard to improve same."

As top issues facing the town, he cites the need for better streets and

roads, a need for cable television service, concern for better public safety and parks and recreation and concern about the tax rate and how the city spends tax monies.

Lanier is self-employed in light construction, which he said puts him "close to the problems that exist regarding better streets for our city." A Bolivia High School graduate, he completed 23 hours at Wilmington College and also graduated from a technical school in electronics.

Lanier's background also includes serving as a Brunswick County Airport Commissioner. He is a member of Town Creek Baptist Church and of St. John's No. 1 Masonic Lodge. He and his wife, Martha, have four children.

Robert "Glenn" Long

Robert "Glenn" Long, 34, of Route 5, Southport, said he feels Boiling Spring

Lakes "is not moving ahead in Brunswick County as it deserves."

Currently employed with Carolina Power & Light, Long said his experience at the Brunswick Nuclear Plant and at the Shearon-Harris Plant near Raleigh have shown him "that anything as large and complex as a city has to be run in a deliberate, controlled manner."

"Changes that happen today should have been planned years ago," he added.

Long moved to the area in 1980, was transferred to Raleigh from 1982 to 1984. On their return, he and his wife Darlene decided Boiling Springs was where they wanted to raise their family, which presently consists of a daughter, Kristina Marie.

He advocates mid- to long-range planning that reflects the desires of the residents and allows "the type of improvements to the quality of life that a resident has a right to expect of his or her community" and will make the city part of the county's "growing future."

Lloyd T. "Tom" Simmons

Lloyd T. "Tom" Simmons, 44, of 1462 Long Leaf Drive, said he is seeking election as commissioner "to serve our community by working together for tomorrow."

A physical education teacher at Union Primary School in Shallotte, he is also secretary of the Brunswick County Democratic Party, and member of the Boiling Spring Lakes

Planning Board and has served as Democratic precinct chairman and on the city's Parks and Recreation Commission.

A street improvement program, enforcement of city ordinances and codes and more efficient use of the city's police department are the two most important issues he feels face the city.

He proposes development of a plan to accelerate street improvements. He also advocates consistent enforcement of all city ordinances and codes, a study to determine how to operate the police department more efficiently and developing better communications between the citizens and city hall.

He has a bachelor's degree in physical education from UNC-Wilmington and a graduate degree in educational administration from the University of South Carolina, which he said provides organizational and management skills.

As a director of the North Carolina Association of Educators, he shares responsibility of managing a 47,000-member organization with an annual budget of more than \$3 million.

He and his wife, Janis, have two children, Byron and Chris.

Steven (Mark) Stewart

Steven (Mark) Stewart, 32, of 18 Cedar Road, a candidate for commissioner, did not respond to the Beacon questionnaire.

Four Seek Re-Election At Navassa

In Navassa, only incumbents are seeking election next week to the mayor's post and three seats on the town board.

They serve without pay. Only one of the four candidates responded to the Beacon questionnaire.

Louis "Bobby" Brown

Louis "Bobby" Brown, 56, of Navassa, is seeking re-election as mayor, the post that only he has held in the town's history.

Thomas V. Merrick

Thomas V. Merrick, 38, is seeking re-election as councilman.

Eulis A. Willis

Eulis A. Willis is also seeking re-election as councilman.

Walter S. Williams Sr.

Walter S. Williams Sr. is seeking re-election as Navassa councilman, a position he said he has held for 10 "successful and fruitful years."



Williams

"We need a better source of steady revenue or income," said Williams. "There is also a lack of educational and recreational facilities for the young people of the community."

Williams said he will "work diligently" to attract industry that will generate revenue for the town and its citizens.

A retired public school teacher, Williams completed undergraduate studies at Fayetteville State University and graduate study at New York University and East Carolina University.

He serves as a Sunday School teacher and steward of Mt. Calvary A.M.E. Church. He and his wife have three children, a son and two daughters.

Three Seek To Fill Two Slots At Caswell Beach

At Caswell Beach, two candidates are seeking the mayor's post and one the open commissioner seat. Elected at large, mayor and commissioners serve four-year terms and receive no salaries.

One candidate responded to the Beacon questionnaire.

Jack B. Cook

Jack B. Cook, 49, of Pinehurst Drive, is seeking re-election as mayor. He did not respond to the questionnaire.

William F. Zimmermann

William F. Zimmermann, 66, of 220 Caswell Beach Road, says he is seeking the office of mayor in honor of his late wife.

Now building inspector for the Town of Yaupon Beach, Zimmermann lists among his qualifications past experience as owner and operator of a successful business for

25 years. He also was enrolled in a business administration program for two years at Rutgers University and served as a rescue squad captain in New Jersey.

He has two children, Janet and Karl.

Zimmermann cites erosion, fire and fiscal concerns as the most important issues facing the town.

"The town needs proper reserves to take care of future needs," he indicated without further elaboration.

Zimmermann, who has in the past unsuccessfully sought election to the board of commissioners, says he is offering the voters of Caswell Beach "an alternative."

George F. Kassler Jr.

George F. Kassler Jr., 70, of 707 Caswell Beach Road, is seeking re-election as commissioner. He did not respond to the questionnaire.

Yaupon Beach Candidates Want To Keep 'Family' Aura

Four people, including two incumbents, are running for three seats on the Yaupon Beach Board of Commissioners.

Each commissioner serves a four-year term. The mayor is appointed by the board from its membership.

Three of the four candidates responded to the Beacon survey, expressing concerns about maintaining a "family atmosphere" in the midst of growth, providing services within a budget, crime prevention and erosion control.

Howard J. Brackett

Howard J. Brackett, 59, of 1114 Elizabeth Drive, is running for commissioner because he wants to fulfill his civic responsibility, to bring stable leadership to town government, and "to help Yaupon Beach to be the best it can be."

Maintaining an atmosphere of a family beach community during a period of rapid growth, traffic congestion and improvement of board-commissioner relations are the top three issues he said faces the town.

That family atmosphere should be maintained "at all cost," he said, while the state and county should be pressured to tackle and solve the traffic problems. As a relations between board and community, he plans to "deal with facts rather than emotion" in making decision.

The successes and failures of governing bodies in communities where the Bracketts previously lived, he said, will help in serving as commissioner.

"The solution is not to change the town," he said, "but to quietly adapt to change."

Brackett is in real estate sales with Better Homes and Gardens, having retired in 1985 from the Franklin Mint, where he was vice president of retail marketing.

He cites management skills acquired in 35 years as a marketing executive among his special qualifications. Brackett is also a veteran of the U.S. Navy during World War II. He earned a B.A. degree at Muskingum College, a master's in business administration from the



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University of Pittsburgh and was a doctoral candidate at Pace University.

He has served on the town planning board, as a director of Boy Scouts of America, the Alexandria, Va., Chamber of Commerce, and the Washington, D.C., Board of Trade, and as president of the Citizens Association. He attends St. Philip's Episcopal Church and is a member of Brunswick Toastmasters, Brunswick County Board of Realtors, Masonic Lodge, Brunswick County Newcomers' Club, Oak Island Senior Citizens and the AARP.

He and his wife, Jane, have five children and 10 grandchildren.

Joseph W. Broyles

Joseph W. Broyles, 60, of 5 Augusta Drive, is seeking election as commissioner because he wants "to keep Yaupon Beach a family beach."

A retired federal employee he has 15 years of experience as an

economist and program analyst dealing with cost and performance evaluations of major Army weapon systems and programs. He is chairman of the Yaupon Beach ABC Board; during his tenure the store has been maintained in a favorable position, with \$65,000 in profits and a major upgrading of the store.

He sees maintaining the town in a favorable financial position and continuation of Yaupon Beach as a crime-free area as the most important issues facing the town. To that end, he supports cost control techniques to assure expenditures are justified and supports addition of another police officer and vehicle so as to maintain a visible law enforcement presence.

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Broyles and his wife, Patricia, have three grown children, twin sons, Joseph and Eric, and a daughter, Vicki.

Broyles is vice president of the Brunswick County chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) and the Oak Island Art Guild. He has a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Texas at El Paso and was a fellow at the Center for Advanced Engineering Study, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

May W. Moore

May W. Moore, 46, of 27 Oak Island Drive, is seeking re-election because of her "desire to continue Yaupon Beach's small-town atmosphere and tradition of good government."

A resident since 1961, she lists maintaining a friendly, small-town family atmosphere, providing good town services at reasonable costs and erosion control and maintaining a good beachfront as top issues facing the town.

In response to those concerns, she advocates "good zoning, properly enforced," continuing "as at present" in regard to provision of services, and maintaining beach accessways and working to preserve and build the beach "at reasonable cost."

Moore is a sixth grade social studies teacher and a former member of the Brunswick County Board of Education. She is a member of the North Carolina Association of Educators and of Ocean View United Methodist Church. She is married to commercial shrimp Jimmy Moore, and has three children, Hailey, Deborah and Gibson Barbee.

"Yaupon Beach is a town where people enjoy living, with a tradition of voluntary citizen work to provide town services," wrote Moore. "I am proud to be resident of such a town and to do my part."

J.M. Warren, Sr.

Incumbent J.M. Warren Sr., 51, of 3001 Barbee Boulevard, did not return the Beacon questionnaire.

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