

Shallotte Voters To Elect New Aldemen

Shallotte voters will elect two new town board members when they go to the polls Tuesday, replacing two veteran aldermen who are calling it quits after serving a combined 26 years.

Wilton Harrelson and Paul Wayne Reeves did not file for re-election this year. Reeves has been a member of the town board since 1977, and Harrelson is a 10-year board veteran. Seeking election to the two available town board seats are William Allen, Carson Durham, Sam Inman, Odell Johnson and Elaine Wright.

Aldermen serve four-year terms, as does the mayor. Incumbent Mayor Sarah Tripp is unopposed in her bid for re-election.

Tripp has served as mayor since 1990, when former mayor Jerry Jones resigned so he could serve as county commissioner. Tripp was elected to a two-year term in 1991.

A county native and graduate of Waccamaw High School, Tripp was elected to the board of aldermen in 1985 and re-elected in 1989. She works at Southern National Bank.

All municipal candidates in Brunswick County were asked to respond to a *Brunswick Beacon* questionnaire. Allen, Johnson and Durham were the only Shallotte candidates to respond.

Allen
William Allen said two of the most important issues the town board must address in the next four years are maintaining and upgrading the sewer system and using local and county zoning to maintain the desired growth of Shallotte.

He also said the town board should annex unincorporated areas of town to assure planned development and establish accessible recycling centers to reduce carting fees and improve the environment.

"I have always been involved in local civic organizations and I hope

to contribute to keeping Shallotte a viable place to live," Allen said of his reason for seeking election.

Asked why he is the most qualified candidate for the position, Allen said, "I can only make the assurance that I will dedicate myself to meeting the needs of the residents of Shallotte."

A retired packaging engineer with American Cyanamid, Allen received a BA degree in public administration/metropolitan studies from Ramapo College of New Jersey.

He has served as vice president of Newcomers of South Brunswick Islands and as a referee/timekeeper for the Brunswick County Men's Church Basketball League.

Allen previously served as president of the board of health, Little League director and a Boy Scouts committee member in Mahwah, N.J. Allen and his wife, Marion, have two grown sons.

Durham
Carson "Pete" Durham III says preparing for growth, sewer system expansion and post office improvements are the three most important issues the town board must address in the near future.

He said he favors growth because it will generally benefit the town. "I feel it is imperative that master plans be prepared for the infrastructure necessary for growth."

The first-time candidate said sewer expansion will be needed mainly due to growth along the bypass and in the extraterritorial area.

Concerning the Shallotte Post Office, Durham said the present facility is not adequate, especially the parking area which creates unsafe conditions for people entering and exiting the post office.

"I feel we must have a different facility that will eliminate the parking problems and improve service," he said.

Durham, owner of Carson's Cards and Gifts in Shallotte, says he's seeking election because of his experience as chairman of the town planning board, a business owner and executive with a large manufacturing corporation.

He says it has given him the "experience required to serve the citizens in planning for the future growth of Shallotte. Shallotte must be prepared and not react as we experience growth."

In addition to chairing the planning board, Durham is a member of the county's mobile home park regulations committee, treasurer and board member of Hope Harbor Home and a member of First Investors Savings Bank advisory board.

He is president of Ocean Aire Camp World Inc. and Must Stop Shop Inc. and previously served as vice president of finance and administration for Burlington Industrial Fabrics.

Durham says his desire to serve and interest in the future of Shallotte makes him the most qualified candidate for alderman.

He received a BS degree in accounting from Virginia Tech in 1958 and completed the University of North Carolina Executive Program in 1980.

Johnson

Odell "Odie" Johnson said he is running for office "to work with fellow townspeople to help make Shallotte a better place to work, live and raise a family."

He lists sewer system improvements, traffic control and post office improvements as the three most important issues the town board must face in the coming term.

"New growth and jobs will depend on a modern waste disposal system," Johnson said.

Johnson said the U.S. 17 bypass doesn't help traffic from the beaches to Shallotte, and the federal government "wasted" money by building the South Brunswick Post Office at Seaside.

A World War II veteran and retired retail executive with Sears, Roebuck and Company, Johnson made an unsuccessful bid for the town board in 1991.

He said a "20-year reputation of being able to work with difficult or troublesome people" makes him the most qualified candidate.

Johnson attended grade school in California, Missouri and Indiana. He studied marketing at the University of Cincinnati and English at Colorado State University.

He has held president and lieutenant governor positions with Kiwanis, served as fund drive chairman for United Way and served as retail president for the chamber of commerce.

Johnson also has served on the board of directors for a downtown development organization, the United Way, chamber of commerce, Kiwanis and two country clubs.



ALLEN



DURHAM



JOHNSON

Coastal Committee Urged To Exercise Stewardship

A panel charged with reviewing North Carolina's coastal management regulations started work last week, with urging from Gov. Jim Hunt to be good stewards as they look to the future of the coast.

"I think we have a moral responsibility to do the right thing—for our people and our land," Hunt told his 15 appointees to the Coastal Futures Committee. "We all love it. We all care about it. Now is the opportunity to do something for it and for our people."

Hunt urged committee members to take a broad approach as they plan for the future and to remember that people in all parts of the state have an interest in, and responsibility for, the state's coast.

Committee appointees include Eugene Tomlinson of Southport, chairman of the North Carolina Coastal Resources Commission. The CRC is the panel established by the CAMA to set policy and guide coastal development in the 20 coastal counties. CAMA establishes permit requirements and provides for communities in those counties to establish, in accord with state policies, land use plans to guide their development.

For the next year the group, led by former Congressman L. Richardson Preyer, will review the Coastal Area Management Act, which took effect in 1974, and draft recommendations for improving the state's management and protection of coastal resources.

In an earlier interview with *The Brunswick Beacon* Tomlinson said he hopes the committee will focus on the need for more comprehensive land using planning that coordinates county and municipal plans and that considers cumulative effects.

Driver Asleep At Wheel Is Charged

A driver was charged with driving with his license revoked and reckless driving Saturday following a one-car accident on N.C. 133.

Chris Scott Mills, 24, of Wilmington, told Trooper J.V. Dove he fell asleep at the wheel and didn't remember what happened.

Will's 1986 Honda automobile ran off the right shoulder of the road and overturned at 6:50 a.m. about 4.5 miles north of Southport.

Wills was uninjured. Reviewing data from a series of minor accidents last week, Trooper

T.L. Pearce of the N.C. Highway Patrol office in Wilmington noted that between Friday and Sunday there had been at least six auto accidents involving deer that resulted in property damage to the vehicle.

"It's spread around," he said. "They're all over the place."

Holden Beach Voters
ELECT
Dwight Carroll

Sewer Is Top Issue Calabash Races

In Calabash, the issue on everyone's mind is how best to provide central sewer service to areas of the town that don't already have it.

In the mayor's race, a fellow town board member is challenging the four-term incumbent for control of the gavel.

Four candidates will vie for three seats in the District 2 commissioners' race, with one incumbent squaring off against the town code administrator and two political newcomers.

Forrest King will run unopposed in the race for District 1 commissioner, assuring him the seat formerly held by Edward Rice.

MAYOR

Simmons

Incumbent Douglas Simmons is seeking his fifth term as mayor and says he is in favor of the current plan to provide sewer service "for all of Calabash."

If re-elected, Simmons said he plans to continue his efforts to have the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers dredge the Calabash River. "I've worked for eight years to see this done," he said. "Maybe we are in the final stage of it."

Simmons is an employee of Federal Paper Co. who also owns a business in downtown Calabash. He is a graduate of Shallotte High School.

Asked what makes him the most qualified candidate, Simmons responded, "I think I can work with both District 1 and 2 better than the other candidate can."

Anderson

Calabash Commissioner and

Mayor Pro Tem George Anderson feels that cost is the most important consideration in deciding the best way to provide central sewer service to all town residents.

"This may well be that Calabash should go it alone," he said.

Anderson wants Calabash to annex areas surrounded by its current borders, including "such pockets as the fire station and the Carolina Shores Resort complex."

He would also like to expand the town hall or build a new one, both to provide more room for present staff and to allow for future growth.

A retired banker with Chase Manhattan Bank, Anderson has served as vice president of the India/America Chamber of Commerce board and as a member of the executive committee for the U.S./Pakistan Economic Council.

He is a graduate of New York University and attended graduate school in banking at Rutgers University.

DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER

Candidate Alvin L. Leisey Jr. did not respond to the *Beacon's* questionnaire.

Thorn

Seeking support for another term, incumbent Commissioner Stuart Thorn stresses his experience and a need "to continue the progress of Calabash for the future growth started by our present board of commissioners."

He feels that the need for sewer service in District 1 and the extraterritorial district is "of utmost impor-

tance" and are "needed immediately to meet environmental needs along the coastal areas of North Carolina."

Thorn wants to continue working for dredging of the Calabash River, while making the waterfront more attractive to boat traffic and businesses.

He also hopes to see the widening of N.C. 179 from South Carolina to Calabash.

"I have been involved with all these projects since the beginning and I feel I am a dedicated candidate," he said.

Thorn is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania who worked as a financial analyst for the Sun Company Inc. before retiring to Calabash.

Altreuter

Theodora "Teddy" Altreuter lists the "proposed sewer authority" as the top issue of the campaign.

"I don't think all the options have been thoroughly explored," she said. "I don't think the impact of large-scale sewerage as it may effect population density, quality of life and the ecology of this fragile environment has been studied enough."

Altreuter said she would like to see a master plan for Calabash, calling such a study "absolutely critical to control and enhance the development of Calabash as a small, attrac-

tive town."

She is concerned that there is an "apathy about local government" in Calabash and "a growing rift between District 1 and District 2."

A retired dental hygienist, Altreuter holds an associate degree in applied science from the State University of New York.

Schaack

Edward Schaack, code enforcement officer for the town of Calabash, also wants to see a "comprehensive area solution" to the town's waste water and storm water treatment needs.

Calling the present town hall facilities "not adequate," Schaack said he wants to see a new facility built because the current building cannot be expanded.

"I am for the annexation of areas within the corporate limits of the town immediately and some adjacent subdivisions thereafter," he said.

Asked what makes him the most qualified candidate,

Schaack cites his "three years of experience in town affairs," as a member of the Governor's Coastal Initiative Committee, a former member of the town planning and zoning board, a state certified building inspector and an administrator of such programs as the Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA).

Schaack holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Columbia University and is the owner of E.F.S. Engineering Consultants.



ANDERSON



THORN



SCHAACK



ALTREUTER

VOTE

Carson Durham

for
Shallotte Alderman

Currently serving the citizens of Shallotte as:
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and the time to represent the
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