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Winfall okays sewer bond

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"Thank God that the people had the faith, had the vision to move forward," Winfall Mayor Fred Yates said about the overwhelming support for the sewer bond referendum in Tuesday's primary election.

The \$500,000 bond referendum brought out 209 of the town's 333 registered voters. There were 156 votes cast for the sewer referendum and 53 against.

Yates said the referendum passed because the people of Winfall realized that a sewer system was vital to the town.

"They saw the need," Yates said. "You can only contaminate the surface water so much before you contaminate the drinking water and people knew it was a necessity."

Loan funds will come from RC&D, formerly FmHA. The bond will be paid back over a 38-year period. If 121 households sign up for sewer service, the cost to each household will be less than \$20 per month.

The \$500,000 bond represents only a small portion of the estimated \$4.2 million cost of the project. Yates has sought for and earned grants to cover the majority of the project cost.

The mayor planned to meet with engineers on Wednesday to get the project underway as soon as possible. If all goes well, Yates anticipates that the system will be one line by late 1997 or early 1998.

Yates has pursued the construction of a sewer system in Winfall for seven or eight years. He inherited the project from his wife, Shirley, who served on the Winfall Town Council prior to her election to the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners. The couple has been tireless in their efforts to seek funding for the system which will allow some Winfall residents to have indoor bathrooms for the first time.

Now *THIS* IS MOVING!



PHOTO BY GINGER LIVINGSTON, THE DAILY ADVANCE

A 1910 Victorian house in Winfall was moved from its original lot on the north side of Main Street Extended to the south side of the road Tuesday. Built by Horace and Sallie Baker, the home was purchased by W.D. and Lillie M. Rogerson in 1940. It has been empty since Mrs. Rogerson's death in 1991. New owners, Mr. and Mrs. Reese Egleston of Lexington, Kentucky, plan to restore the home as a private residence. It was moved by Bray House Movers of Camden.

Low donations puts July 4th fireworks show in jeopardy

By **SUSAN R. HARRIS**
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Independence Day may lack sparkles and booms in Perquimans County if donations to the 4th of July fireworks fund don't pick up.

Diane Stallings, treasurer for the fireworks committee, said that donations are not coming in for the show. Lack of funds could put the fire-

works in jeopardy, she said.

In order to ensure delivery, the fireworks had to be ordered early this year. That's because the fireworks company is also contracted to provide pyrotechnics for the Summer Olympics. A deposit on the show is due next week. As of last week, sufficient funds for the deposit had not been donated.

The Chamber of Commerce, one of the groups supporting the 4th of July festivities, is sponsoring a raffle to help defray the cost of the fireworks. Tickets are \$1 each. The prize is \$100. Tickets are available at the Chamber office and from members. The winning ticket will be drawn on the courthouse lawn on June 8 at noon.

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Fire training will close Hertford streets

Hertford firefighters will take to the streets of downtown Hertford on May 16 for a training drill.

"This drill will allow the firefighters to test themselves and their ability to flow large volumes of water in a short time," said Fire Chief Sid Eley.

Eley said only about 1,000 gallons of water will be drawn from the town's hydrant system. The majority of the water will be drafted from the river.

The drill will run from about 7:30-9 p.m. During that time, several streets will be closed. Motorists should prepare to detour due to the following closings: Church Street will be closed from Grubb Street to Market Street. Grubb Street will be closed from Church Street to Covent Garden. Punch Alley will be blocked at Church Street. Barrow's Alley will be blocked at Market Street.

Yates, Miller Howell top Democratic commissioners primary race

Hayes' bid to run unaffiliated appears likely

By **SUSAN R. HARRIS**
Editor

It'll be Yates, Miller and Howell on the Democratic ballot for the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners in November.

Incumbent Shirley Yates finished on top with 689 votes. The commissioner carried the New Hope, East Hertford, Belvidere and Parksville precincts. Fellow incumbent Archie Miller Sr., who received the second highest number of votes with 505, finished first in Nicanor. Wayne Howell carried his home precinct, West Hertford, and earned 401 votes. Likewise, former commissioner Leo Higgins was tops in his home precinct, Bethel. Higgins finished the race with 328 votes.

While there were no Republicans running in the primary, the race for the three commissioners' seats is not a done deal. Perquimans County Board of Elections Chairman L. Paul Smith Jr. said Tuesday night that Bert Hayes is only one signature shy of having his name appear on the commissioners' ballot in the general election as an unaffiliated candidate.

Hayes initially planned to run for the board as a Republican, but did not change

his party affiliation in time. As a result, he must present a petition to the elections board by June 28 bearing the signatures of 4 percent of the county's registered voters. Smith said Hayes had gotten enough signatures on the petition, but some of them were not registered voters.

Hayes said in February that he has the support of the growing local Republican Party. If that support is translated into votes in November, the commissioners race could be very interesting. There are 1,052 registered Republicans in the county; 4,909 Democrats; 575 unaffiliated; and one Libertarian. Those 6,537 registered voters, along with any others who register in time for the November elections, must choose only one candidate from what appears likely to be a field of four. The top three finishers will be elected to the board and will be sworn in at the board's December meeting.

Register of Deeds Deborah S. Reed will keep her job after defeating challenger Gregory Barclift 1,527-331 in Tuesday's Democratic primary.

Reed was appointed to her post in 1994 upon the retirement of Jeanne C. White. Before being named Register of Deeds, Reed had worked in the office for 17 years. She carried all seven of the county's precincts Tuesday.

All vote totals are unofficial until the election board's canvass on Thursday.

Nelson leads school board votes

Shaw reseated, Riddick is new board member

By **SUSAN R. HARRIS**
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The only incumbent on the ticket was the top vote-getter in the five-way race for three seats on the Perquimans County Board of Education.

Wallace Nelson finished ahead of the pack with 666 votes. He will be joined on the board by former board mem-

ber Helen T. Shaw and newcomer Thomas L. Riddick Sr., who garnered 563 and 428 votes, respectively.

Cathy Terranova finished with 305 votes, Kathy Keefe with 155.

Nelson carried all precincts except East Hertford, where Shaw enjoyed a 23-point lead.

Terranova made her strongest showing in Bethel, trailing Nelson by only six votes, 120-114.

The school board race was non-partisan. Election winners will be sworn in and seated in July.

How Perquimans voted

County Commissioners

Yates 689
Miller 505
Howell 401
Higgins 328

School Board

Nelson 666
Shaw 563
Riddick 428
Terranova 305
Keefe 155

Register of Deeds

Reed 174
Barclift 331

State House District 86

Culpepper 926
Forbes 569
Midgette 96

President, Democrat

Clinton 1,294
LaRouche 113
No preference 332

President, Republican

Dole 146
Buchanan 33
Forbes 12
Keyes 11
Aleixander 5
Lugar 4
No preference 14

U.S. Senate, Democrat

Gantt 799
Sanders 647
McKinney 203

Governor, Republican

Hayes 82
Vinroot 63
Rogers 22
Manning 21

Lieutenant Governor, Republican

Arnold 132
Hege 38

Agriculture Commissioner, Republican

Rountree 88
Davidson 30
Gray 27
Tew 14

Insurance Commissioner, Republican

Rogers 93
Causey 64

Labor Commissioner, Democrat

Payne 1,119
Funderburke 288

Secretary of State, Democrat

Lee 377
Marshall 291
Kramer 281
Pollard 184
Langston 170
Hurst 61

Superintendent of Public Instruction, Democrat

Ward 818
Diamont 553

Auditor, Republican

Daly 132
DiNubila 27

Superintendent of Public Instruction, Republican

Sharpe 82
Robinson 73

Treasurer, Democrat

Boyles 872
Weisel 567

Treasurer, Republican

Duncan 103
Linney 68

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Outside

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
High: 80s Low: 60s MOSTLY SUNNY	High: 80s Low: 60s MOSTLY SUNNY	High: 80S Low: 60s MOSTLY SUNNY