



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2014, 7 P.M.  
ROBERT E. HIBBITTS MEETING ROOM  
1924 COURTHOUSE, NEWTON, N.C.**



As its meeting on Monday, February 17, 2014, the Catawba County Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution supporting citizen participation in government through elections in Catawba County. The North Carolina State Board of Elections is the state agency charged with overall responsibility for the administration of the elections process in North Carolina. The State Board of Elections works in conjunction with county Board of Elections offices across the state to handle numerous aspects of election administration. The goal of the Catawba County Board of Elections Office is to serve the public in an efficient and courteous manner and to provide well-planned and managed elections. The resolution supporting citizen participation in government through elections in Catawba County acknowledges the formal role of the State and County in conducting all elections held within the county, including municipalities in the county, and seeks to increase public awareness of the importance of citizen participation in county government through voting.

A copy of the resolution appears on the following page:

RESOLUTION NO: 2014-06

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT  
THROUGH ELECTIONS IN CATAWBA COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina State Board of Elections is the state agency charged with overall responsibility for the administration of the elections process in North Carolina, and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the State Board of Elections works in conjunction with County Board of Elections offices to ensure that elections are conducted lawfully, and

**WHEREAS**, the state's 100 county Boards of Election operate voting sites, maintain voter registration lists and handle numerous aspects of election administration, and

**WHEREAS**, Catawba County North Carolina has formally adopted in its Code of Ordinances a "Statement of Philosophy" which identifies several principles that guide the delivery of all county services including elections, and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Catawba County Board of Elections Office is to serve the public in an efficient and courteous manner and to provide well-planned and managed elections with immediate results, and

**WHEREAS**, the Catawba County Board of Elections is responsible for supervising voter registration and conducting all elections held within the county, including all municipalities in the county.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Catawba County Board of Commissioners hereby affirms its support for citizen participation in government through access to all registered voters for honest and impartial elections according to established law governing election procedures.

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that Catawba County, North Carolina, is a community that supports and upholds the right of every eligible voter to cast a ballot.

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be posted at the Catawba County Election Office, and placed on the county's website, social media outlets, and other venues that increase public awareness of the importance of citizen participation in county government through voting.

Adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Feb, 2014.



Katherine W. Barnes, Chair  
Catawba County Board of Commissioners