

# **Confederate Soldier Monument Protesters met with Armed Citizen Guards!!! Many AR-15s, Pistols and other firearms in plain sight!!! Report by Robert A. Williams**

Apparently, for the first time, citizen supporters of keeping History accurate and correct turned out, guns in hand or on their hips, to protect themselves and keep a Confederate Soldier Monument on display in a public place. Just a handful of City Police as well as a single NC Highway Patrolman were in attendance to maintain the peace. Although the armed citizens pretty much kept the peace all by themselves.

And the whole thing was videotaped by a member of the Fake News apparently looking to stir up a National level news clip. The armed citizens and the few law enforcement officers mostly ignored the Fake News and the attempts to get news clips that could be twisted and turned.

But I have said enough. A picture is worth a thousand words. See for yourself how the citizens of Morganton handle Confederate Soldiers Memorial destroyers in their neck of the world. To my understanding, the next protest in Shelby is scheduled for 6:00PM this coming Thursday evening on the Court Square.

Also, there is a rumor going around that Shelby City Council Member Violet Dukes and local attorney and Gay Rights activist Paul Ditz are associated with "Antifa"-called by many to be a domestic terrorist group. Hopefully Dukes and Ditz will comment on this rumor so as to clear up any misunderstandings.

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**Commissioners Appeal Small  
Claim Lawsuit to Federal  
Court –Turn Maximum award  
of \$10,000 into \$Millions if  
they lose! –May Go to  
Supreme Court before it is  
over? –City of Shelby and  
School Board may soon find  
themselves in a similar  
situation!!! –Report,**

# comparison and arguendo by Robert A, Williams

Folks, there is a saying that “you can’t fight City Hall.” That little ditty comes from the fact that anybody that sues a governmental agency usually has to pay for their own lawyer while the governmental agency finances their legal defense with tax dollars. Also, governmental agency personnel usually have an immunity from prosecution if their actions are within reason. It is only when the agency personnel act with malicious and criminal intent does their immunity go away. And that is often hard to prove and it is always expensive to prove. Therefore, obvious corruption in governmental agencies very, very, very often goes unpunished. And whatever punishment there might be usually comes out of the tax payer’s pocket and not the governmental agency perpetrator’s pocket.

A good example of this is the City of Shelby’s clearly apparent racial discrimination and retaliation against Mr. Willie Green for Mr. Green’s insistence that he be able to do business in Cleveland County just like the white folks do. Something the City of Shelby refuses to allow. Something all these protesters who want to take down the Confederate Soldiers Memorial seem to forget.

The protesters seem to want to complain about offenses hundreds of years ago and forget what is going on today. Somebody please tell the protesters that the Statute of Limitations has run out on slavery and there are no persons alive today that can sue anybody else alive today over slavery. Also remind the protesters that any former slaves and their ancestors have had freedom now from 5 to more than 8

generations now. A long way to gain an education and a job sufficient to minimize any inequities and inequalities that may come their way. At least the reality should have sunk in by now that the same ladder to prosperity is available to all-Black or White. That ladder, in general terms is to get as much education as you can. Find a job-any job, work hard to find better job, get married and then have children. (Editor's Note: That is not my original thoughts, but my experience is that it works more often than not.)

That being said, the protesters are missing the point in their support of issues. Nowhere have I seen or read of black leaders and black protesters coming out in any meaningful way to support Mr. Willie Green, a black man, in his legitimate efforts to do business on an equal basis in Shelby and Cleveland County. I have written about corruption in county agencies for years and all the protesters and their leadership want to talk about is racism. Racism is not a crime in and of itself unless it is acted upon in a corrupt manner. Corrupt manners being illegal acts. It just seems to me that a logical thinking person would realize that if all of us would unite to fight corruption-then racism or the effects of racism would soon disappear. Then, why re-fight the battles of 400 years ago or 155 years ago and surrender the battles of today???

Of course, the protestors might have a socialist agenda-or worse and are only interested in tearing down America just for the sake of tearing down America. Something Communists, Socialists, Fascists ANTIFA have been trying to do for years now. Only to have failed.

Right now, the Protestors want the Confederate Soldier Memorial to be torn down. But what is the victory in doing so?

Just an illusion that something has been won! When, in fact, nothing has been won.

But a support of the battle against corruption being fought by Mr. Willie Green-with my support and just a few others, could be the beginning of the start of actually tearing down the inequities and inequalities. Let me explain the ways.

Right now, as we speak, Mr. Willie Green has won a major legal battle. In his lawsuit against Shelby City Manager Rick Howell, Mr. Green has a judge's ruling that Mr. Howell did certain things in a malicious and criminal manner. Thus, Rick Howell's claims of immunity are torn down in such a way that removing all Confederate Memorials everywhere cannot come close to that victory.

Of course, Rick Howell has appealed this victory ruling for Mr. Green to the NC Court of Appeals using every dirty trick that his lawyers have thought of. Lawyers that have billed the City of Shelby over \$52,000 in tax dollars although City Manager Rick Howell was sued in his individual capacity. A win for Mr. Green in Appeals Court or even in the NC Supreme Court would land the case back into a trial court where Rick Howell and the City of Shelby will be taught a lesson they will not forget. A Lesson that would result in a victory for Mr. Green, but for all-Red and Yellow, Black AND White. A priority and goal that the protestors somehow have seen fit to ignore in their rhetoric and actions.

Then, there is the small claims court lawsuit Mr. Green has brought against Shelby Mayor Stan Anthony and Council member

Violet Dukes. Small Claims are limited to a \$10,000 award. Anthony and Violet got their high dollar lawyer, same lawyer as Rick Howell has at Shelby Taxpayer's expense to get the Small Claims Magistrate to rule the case was too complicated for her.

So, what did Mr. Green do? He upped his ante and took his case all the way to Superior Court where a winning award could reach into the \$Millions. This case is proceeding with the Mayor claiming immunity, just like Rick Howell. But something strange happened. Mr. Green dropped his lawsuit against Councilman Violet Dukes. A move that is often associated with a case when a defendant, like Violet, decides to finally tell the truth and testify FOR Mr. Green. And perhaps testify against City Manager Rick Howell, the Mayor and perhaps even the other Shelby City Council members when it is their turn to face the music.

These are the battles against corruption that will end up diminishing racism to pretty close to nothing. Yet, here I am supporting Mr. Green and the Black Leadership has thrown Mr. Green under the bus. I don't understand such hypocrisy and the proverbial shooting oneself in the foot from the black community and their so-called leadership.

And now, another twist to the crooks who do the corruption in governmental agencies and to the lengths they will go to preserve their illicit cash flow.

Rev. Dante Murphy, presently in the Pender and New Hanover

County area has taken his legal activism partly from here in Cleveland County to down there in his fight against corruption. The New Hanover County Commissioners have retaliated against Rev. Murphy and Rev. Murphy filed a Small Claims Court lawsuit against two of the NHC Commissioners. And guess what the Commissioners did in their desperation to keep their corruption as quiet as possible? Without even making one trip to the Small Claims Court, the NHC Commissioners case was moved STRAIGHT to Federal Court. From a Court here the maximum award was \$10,000 to a Court where the award could be in the \$Millions.

This is the old lawyer trick where the average citizen could not afford the attorney bills for a case that might last for years and would just have to drop the charges. And, I am sure the City of Shelby so-called leadership will soon be taking up this tactic soon enough. But the risks for Shelby and New Hanover County are high. If Rick Howell, Mayor Anthony and others lose their bet, they may also lose their house, car(s), bank accounts and more to Mr. Green. When that happens, the corruption will stop and the racists will be living under a bridge somewhere.

I say to the protestors and the Black Preachers that are climbing on like Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson, pick your battles that are worth the effort to win. Gaining legal victories that enhance your equity, equality and economy are worth the battles. Rioting, looting, shootings, crime and violence in the course of just fighting for symbols and symbolic "Optics" in an Election Year gains you nothing. Except for the stigma of being stupid and used.

**Editor's Note: After the Cleveland County School Board's**

Special Called Meeting this past Thursday, some legal actions may be forthcoming. And remember, the foolish school board's recent \$3 Million lawsuit against Sheriff Alan Norman? A lawsuit that was taken out and voluntarily dismissed within hours? Don't be surprised to see what the "systemic corruption" in Cleveland County governmental agencies will do in this Election Year. My time and efforts will be toward Good Government and maintaining MY teachings of fighting for what is right today and tomorrow. And not being a Monday Morning Quarterback on what happened hundreds of years ago, Things that cannot be changed no matter how loud you holler and how violent your acts.

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**Beauford Burton Speaks Out!!! "If you have to be angry at someone for your race, be angry at God and see where that gets you."**  
**—Facebook Post forwarded by Robert A. Williams**

*Editor's Note: About three hours ago, Beauford Burton's Post reached me on Facebook. Many people, likely the majority, in Cleveland County, North Carolina and the USA feel this same way!!*



**Anybody and everybody else are welcome to join in on the discussion! Be ready to be debated. Please, no thoughtless talking points that cannot be defended.**

Beauford writes:

*I am old and I am angry.*

*Nothing in my 76 years prepared me to accept the frequent calls of racism. Nothing in history prepared me to understand how we came so far and then the bottom of our world fell out. Nothing prepared me to understand how being one race or another causes us to be less or more than another race.*

*If you had a choice of race before you were born you must be extra special. My God made me white! My God, assuming we share the same one, the Father of Jesus may have made you another race. If you have to be angry at someone for your race be; angry at God and see where that gets you.*

*In my 76 years I've seen lots of improvement in race relations. When I grew up in this small town there was segregation. I seldom saw people of any color other than white unless they were working people and I certainly was raised to respect them. Some delivered ice, some delivered coal and some sold and delivered fresh vegetables. Since that time there has been many educated and had careers much more elevated than mine. I call older folks ma'am and sir and never think about color.*

*Personally, I think Morgan Freeman, the actor, said it best. You stop referring to me as Black or African American and*

*I'll stop calling you White or other names and we'll just call each other Americans.*

*As for the rioters and anarchists, law must be the victor. Those who destroy other's property and our statues and symbols of history must face stiff sentences. Police must be given the tools to combat those criminals, including tear gas, pepper spray, rubber bullets and even the real ones when necessary.*

*As for me I am not afraid. My grandchildren and yours deserve better. We don't need leadership that shrinks away. We don't need tender footed leadership. We don't need leaders that cry when a whiner whines.*

*One of the biggest mistakes this country has ever made is voting for and campaigning for so called rights of individuals and of causes that have no legal rights.*

*Stand with conservatives in re-electing President Trump. Stand with them in electing enough house members to take over house leadership. Stand with Dan Forest to root out North Carolina's Governor Cooper. If you're seeing this from other states stand with conservatives there too, including Virginia, New York, California etc.*

*If we don't succeed pity the USA and your children and grandchildren.*

*May God forgive our sins and once again bless our country!*

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**School Board calls another  
Secret Meeting!!! –Agenda  
shows No Good Reason!!!  
–Secret Closed Session must  
be the Reason!!! \$100 Reward  
Offered!!! –Report, gossip,  
arguendo and reward offered  
by Robert A. Williams**

The School Board has called another Special Called Meeting. Tomorrow Morning-Thursday June 25, 2020 at 11:00AM. The agenda calls for some discussion of regular business that should be handled in a regular scheduled meeting with citizens participation on the agenda. This meeting does not call for citizens participation. There is a Closed Session called for that is not legally identified properly.

The last Special Called School Board Meeting, just weeks ago was the same way. The School Board had tried to make an employee resign and the employee refused to resign, saying she had done nothing wrong. The School Board then called their

Special Called Meeting, went into Closed Session and voted to fire the employee who had done nothing wrong. According to the minutes of that first Special Called Meeting Danny Blanton voted against firing the employee. Scroll on back a few articles. I published two articles about this meeting where **Ms. Wyshekia Nance was wrongfully terminated by an 8-1 secret vote of the School Board.**

If history is a guide, the Special Called Meeting Tomorrow-Closed Session-will be another "railroad" by the School Board trying to fire somebody who has done nothing wrong. Somebody that will not buckle under when they are in the right. The kind of person who has the backbone to stands up for what is right-no matter what.

I have attended school board meetings, almost every one, for about seven years now. I have become a pretty good predictor of what this school board full of crooks and liars will do. My prediction is, like I said above, the School Board is trying to fire somebody who has done nothing wrong and will not resign. I put a \$100 bill on the line to say that I am right. Any takers???

Note that I have offered \$100 rewards a number of times now and have had to pay out \$0. Let's call this one a friendly wager. Lots of "guilty" people say that what I write is nothing but a lie. I want to find somebody brave enough to put some money where their mouth is. Hey Shearra Miller, Richard Hooker, Roger Harris and Phillip "Bully" Glover; I'm calling ALL Y'all out. Resign NOW or face certain defeat in November.

Folks, I recommend voting for Robert Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Rodney Fitch and Samantha Davis for the School Board on November 3, 2020. Enough is enough and this vote will seal the fate of the existing but failed school board.

The five new members on the school board represent a majority and a majority is all that is needed to turn CCS inside out. To make everybody do right and quit wasting money while graduating 46% of seniors who can't read, write and do arithmetic at a proficient level.

And, NO more Special Called School Board Meeting-called for wrong reasons.

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**City of Shelby, City Manager caught again in Retaliation Scheme!? –Mr. Willie Green once again the obvious Victim!!!– Shelby continues to refuse to obey Civil Rights Laws!!! –While**

# **TAXPAYERS foot the Bills!! Report, evaluation and arguendo by Robert A. Williams**

*Editor's Note: The City of Shelby appears to be run by a band of fools. The Mayor, the City Manager and the entire City Council all seem to be out to get Mr. Willie Green. No matter what he tries to do. First, there was Mr. Green's sports complex proposal where Mr. Green was to use his own money to build the complex and then partner with the City of Shelby. A concept that the City itself set as a goal to do in their last 10-year masterplan.*

*Then, the City Council rejected Mr. Green's zoning change request that Mr. Green submitted in order to build high end townhomes on a property on East Dixon Boulevard. (There is some evidence that Mr. Green's townhome construction would compete with certain member(s) of the City Council's own businesses.) And, now, despite several outstanding lawsuits Mr. Green has against Shelby's city leadership, they are at it again. Apparent illegal planned schemes to make sure anything Mr. Green proposes to do is shut down tight.*

Let me start at the beginning of this third round of discrimination against Mr. Green.

Several months ago, Mr. Green's children were home from college and high school. They are all very good athletes and

needed to do some working out. So, Mr. Green takes his kids and some of their friends over to an unused field at Gardner-Webb (Where Mr. and Mrs. Green had both graduated from) and everybody starts playing ball. A little bit later a coach comes out and tells them to leave.

So, Mr. Green and everybody packs up and leaves. But Mr. Green gets an idea. Since the City of Shelby had refused his valid request to rezone his property on Dixon Blvd so he could build high end townhomes, he would build a ball field on his own property. A ball field would not require any zoning change and Mr. Green's kids and their friends could play ball without being run off because they were black.

About this time the City of Shelby's so-called leadership somehow got wind that Mr. Green had bought some astro-turf and other sports equipment to put on his Dixon Blvd. property for his kids and their friends to work out on. And the Shelby City folks, being under lawsuits and too stupid to straighten up and fly right. They decided to screw over Mr. Green once again by changing the zoning on Mr. Green's property (and everybody else's residential property) to exclude private sports facilities. And threw in recreational facilities and nightclubs to boot. I suppose somebody that put a swing set in their backyard would be in violation.

This last meeting of the City Council had this rezoning on the agenda, but it was tabled to a later date.

Now, Mr. Green has spoken out once again in the following Message to Shelby City Manager Rick Howell.

City Manager Rick Howell,

The purpose of this email is for you to provide answers as to why the City is attempting to pass a zoning ordinance to eliminate private recreational clubs or recreation facilities in certain residential zone areas in Shelby. I would also like to know who recommended the zoning change? And what is the reason given why this change is now needed?

In a normal City of Shelby's "Textual Amendment to the UD0" process, a memorandum is sent to the City Manager from the Planning Director recommending a zoning amendment. In the planning director's memo is an "Executive Summary of Issue – Background" as to the justifiable reason why a change is needed.

In the June 8, 2020 memo to the City Manager to eliminate rec facilities from operating in specific residential zones – like my property on Dixon Blvd – Executive Summary of Issue – Background" states the following. "Currently the City of Shelby Unified Development Ordinance (UD0) permits Private Recreational Clubs in the R20, R10, R8, R6, R0, and RR Zoning Districts with Development Standards. The proposed ordinance would also eliminate private recreational clubs as a permitted use in the R10, R8, and R6 zoning districts."

Now compare a similar January 20, 2015, Textual Amendment to the UD0 Executive Summary of Issue – Background memo requesting for the elimination of all Solar Farm Systems from R20 and RR zoning districts. In the January 20, 2015 memo from the planning & zoning department to you, the city manager, it states the following, *"Solar Energy Systems or Solar Farms are a fast-growing land use within the State of North Carolina. Shelby was actually one of the first cities in North Carolina to have a Solar Farm with the development of the SES at the Airport. Since that time SES's have popped up all over North*



*Carolina, including several sites here in Cleveland County.*

*The City of Shelby previously did not have development standards for SESs and had simply permitted the use as a utility related use within an Industrial Zoning District. Due to the volume of inquiries concerning SESs, the City of Shelby passed an amendment to the UDO creating a set of SES regulation in February of 2014. City Council has requested that R20 be eliminated as a Special Use for an SES."*

As you can see, there is no justification, no reason, or no data to support the effort to eliminate rec facilities in residential zones like my Dixon Blvd property. Several black leaders have spoken to the planning and zoning department, as well as city council members seeking answers to this decision, and no one has given those leaders a legitimate reason why this zoning attempt was needed. Thus, this another example of the type of an orchestrated retaliation campaign by city officials to deny me the ability to do any business in Shelby.

I look forward to your response to my questions before the next City Council meeting takes place and this amendment is considered for a vote. So that I and others will have an opportunity to speak against this proposed amendment.

Willie A. Green, Sr.

***Editor's Note: At lease re-read the underlined sentence above. Do you smell a new lawsuit against the City of Shelby? I certainly do. A lawsuit that will cost Shelby taxpayers many more tens of thousands of dollars. Maybe lots more.***

***Also note the reference to the "several black "leaders" contacting the City Planning Board with questions. At least some black leaders have seen the light and speaking out.***

*Behind the scenes and ineffectively in my book. Probably trying to remain “relevant” during the rise of younger black leaders who are cropping up to express their contempt for the “systemic racism” (what I usually call “Plantation Politics”) that has controlled Shelby for so long. If history tells us anything these black leaders may begin to “Back” Mr. Green just a bit. But from WAY back. Probably too little and too late to mean anything.*

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**They want to defund the Police??? –Are people stupid or WHAT???– –Report and arguendo by Robert A. Williams**

The Shelby Daily Liar, I mean STAR-the great authority on everything-published two articles about violence, shooting, killing, injury and death this very day. One dead and 11 injured in Minneapolis. Two dead and 11 injured in Charlotte at a “block party.” And there are lots of people running around the old Court Square in Shelby and other places and they want police departments defunded??? No Star reporter was on the scene in either Minneapolis or Charlotte.

Shelby Star-Article 1 starts off like this:

“MINNEAPOLIS – One man is dead and 11 people suffered non-life-threatening wounds in a shooting in Minneapolis, police

there said early Sunday.

### Shelby Star-Article 2 dead Headline says "12 Injured at Charlotte Block Party"

This article in part, says "Charlotte City Councilman Malcolm Graham, who serves the second district where the shooting happened, said Monday morning the area has made so much progress and this entire incident really saddens him. (So much for progress.)

"This does not define us, but is certainly something very tragic," Graham said. "What happened last night in the city and on that corner, which has a history of being self-sufficient, a lot of good work going on by neighborhood leaders and organizations. Last night certainly won't define who we are, but certainly it is giving cause for concern about how we conduct ourselves." (Is that an understatement or what?)

A bit of research on Charlotte Council member Malcolm Graham turned up this:

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### **Malcolm Graham**-District 2 representative-Charlotte

Malcolm Graham is an experienced businessman, dedicated public servant and powerful public speaker, especially on the topics of race and discrimination, community, and common-sense gun laws. He is a Charleston, S.C. native who has lived and worked in Charlotte, N.C. for more than 30 years. Malcolm is the brother of Cynthia Graham Hurd, one of the nine victims of the June 2015 Emanuel AME church shootings.

When he lost his sister in a national tragedy, Malcolm responded by traveling the country speaking to communities about overcoming hatred. He and his siblings founded the Cynthia Graham Hurd Foundation for Literacy and Civic Engagement to honor their sister. The Foundation advocates for the expansion of literacy and availability of books in the Charleston community.

Malcolm believes that our economy is stronger when more North Carolinians have an opportunity to participate in it. He has held positions committed to fostering diversity & inclusion at the Carolinas Minority Supplier Development Councils, Inc, Bank of America, Time Warner Cable and Bovis Lend Lease.

As Special Assistant to the President for Government & Community Engagement at Johnson C. Smith University, Malcolm led a multi-sector group that oversaw development and construction of the Street Car Project, Mosaic Village, The Arts Factory, and Passing Through Lights, a public arts project.

Malcolm represented district 4 on the Charlotte City Council from 1999-2005 and represented district 40 in the North Carolina State Senate 2005-2015, serving as chairman of the Mecklenburg Delegation from 2013-2015. Graham returned backed to the Charlotte City Council in 2019.

Even Malcolm's "day job" is community centric. He is president of The Center for Supplier Diversity, a company he founded in 2000 and that helps corporations looking to do business with minority-owned small businesses in the community.

So, now Charlotte Councilman Malcolm Graham is "sad" because the people who actually live in his district did NOT listen to his suggestions, get themselves educated, find jobs and stay

home at night with their families. If you read closely the text above about Councilman Malcolm Graham, it appears Mr. Graham was too busy hob-knobbing with the big-money people on one hand and promising his constituents more free stuff that he had no intention of delivering on the other hand.

Go read those two articles in the Star and decide for yourself if you want to defund the Police. As for me, I am all-in on reforming every governmental agency in Cleveland County, including the Police, to make them accountable, transparent and honest. I have no use for any governmental agency that is corrupt, inefficient and dishonest. And I say to everyone, ***"YOU are either part of the solution or YOU are a part of the problem."*** I follow that up with **"It is NOT what you SAY, it is what YOU DO that counts!!!"**

That is why I urge voters to Single-Shot PROTEST vote for Shawn Murphy for County Commissioner and Vote for Robert Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Rodney Fitch and Samantha Davis for the School Board in the 2020 November Elections to change that organization.

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**US Constitution Protects  
Confederate Monuments,  
Confederate Battle Flag and**

# **Street Names!!! –Racism Too!!! –Report, evaluation and arguendo by Robert A. Williams**

There are lots of people running around Cleveland County and the United States that are claiming the killing of career criminal George Floyd in Minneapolis and the drunk and disorderly, arrest resister Police assaulter in Atlanta, Rayshard Brooks. They are offended. It makes them angry and violent and therefore rioting, looting, arson, assaulting and resisting is fine and dandy. And the rioting, looting, arson, assaulting and resisting by out of towners are likely to be funded by China using counterfeit \$20 bills-like the one the many times convicted and imprisoned criminal George Floyd was trying to pass that led to his arrest in the first place. It is also fine and dandy to revise history to fit such a narrative. I say the killings of those two black men (and others) by white policemen are a shame and maybe a disgrace from the optics of what we first saw in the videos.

But the rule of law should prevail in the investigation and prosecution and let the wheels of justice in Minneapolis and Atlanta run its course. Criminal trials and Civil lawsuits. To date such jury trial prosecutions of police officers have most often resulted in Not-Guilty verdicts. That should tell us something. Are there problems? Yes! But the rioting, looting, arson, and other sorts of violence are not the answer, but a big part of the problems. And those involved in such should themselves be prosecuted. It is a fact. And it is the law. Any discussion about this is welcome. But this is not the main topic of this article.

Now, let's consider the Confederate Monuments and the Confederate Flag and those of us whose legacy includes ancestors who fought for the Confederacy in the War Between the States. The Civil War. The Rebellion or whatever you want to call it. And Slavery too.

No one alive today actually fought in the Civil War. No person alive in the USA today was ever a slave. But many of our ancestors did fight in that war and many of our ancestors were slaves. That is also a fact that, to my knowledge, is NOT in dispute. Also, a fact that is not much in dispute is slavery was a legal practice at that time and only ended legally with the ratification of the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment on December 6, 1865. Months after the end of the Civil war and the freeing of the slaves.

Therefore, any punishment for fighting in the Civil War and ownership of slaves that is levied on anybody is an ex post facto punishment, which is unconstitutional. Ex Post Facto Law means a law that is passed today to punish somebody for something they did yesterday when what they did was legal. Increasing punishment today for an offense committed yesterday is also an ex post facto law. The US Supreme court has thrown out many ex post facto laws over the years.

So, any attempt to remove statues, monuments and Flags of any sort that were legally installed at the time installed, but are deemed to be offensive and criminal today to those that assert such an argument for removal are also ex post facto and therefore unconstitutional. And, anybody that defaces and tears down statues, flags (Like the Boiling Springs Baptist

Church Cemetery did have committed criminal acts and should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

OK Williams, show me this ex post facto prohibition in the Constitutions.

Folks, that is easy. Article 1 Section 9, among other things says "No Bills of Attainder or **ex post facto** Law shall be passed." Look it up for yourself if you don't believe me.

All this being said, you County Commissioners and Shelby City Council better leave the monuments on the Court Square exactly where they are. All of them. Same with the Dixon Boulevard street name in Shelby.

Thomas Dixon, Jr. a Shelby native, may have been a racist and he did write three books that glorified the deeds of the Ku Klux Klan. I have read all three of those books myself. My reason, even though I don't owe anybody a reason for the books I choose to read, is that Dixon was raised in Shelby during Reconstruction. Most authors when they write such accounts as Dixon did is to base the writings on real events and change the names and places around. From my research into the historical facts about Cleveland County is that Cleveland and Gaston counties in North Carolina and York and Cherokee Counties in South Carolina were:" hot-beds" of Klan activity when Dixon was growing up. I wanted to see if I could decipher from Dixon's writings just who the Klan leaderships identities were. My research indicated that much of those that I believe to be involved with the KKK leadership in Cleveland County and their families went on to become political leaders in the



County, State and even National political leadership.

Thomas Dixon Jr. was also very influential and respected as a Baptist Minister, a writer of many more books and articles and a major businessman on a county, state and National level. There are no laws against racism as it is impossible to prosecute a person for what they think and the beliefs that they have. Only acts that are legislated to be illegal can be prosecuted. Same with Hate Crimes. Would you also want a DA to prosecute for Love Crimes? Only thoughts and beliefs that result in already defined as criminal acts or civil torts can be prosecuted through the judicial system. And it is better that way, otherwise we may all end up in jail or under a strict dictatorship.

I would also remind all readers that Cleveland County was one of the forty counties in North Carolina declared by the US Justice Department to be systemic violators of voting rights as noted in the Civil Rights laws of 1964 and 1965 and the County was required to pre-clear everything they did related to voting through the US Justice Department. Only recently did Cleveland County get removed from the Justice Department "watch list." Probably too soon.

I would also state that hypocrisy is generally not a crime either. Otherwise all the Black Lives Matter and local leaders of the black communities who have finally come out as protestors would find themselves in jail for condemning systemic racism in Minnesota and Atlanta while remaining silent about the treatment of Mr. Willie Green by the City of Shelby and the Cleveland County Commissioners and the School Board that has resulted in numerous lawsuits with more to come. The old time Black Leadership has ignored this situation

and are finding themselves being replaced as leaders by a younger and more black female presences. So now, for publicity, they want the statues and flags to come down. Just “symbols” that have no regards for economic equality or any other kind of real equality for the black community. Plantation Politics survives because of the surrender of the oppressed. Massa Eddie and his Massa pals just sit back and reap the huge rewards for their very small payoffs to the “Coons” and “Uncle Toms.” Serves them right that they are losing control of their flocks.

On the other hand, if the Commissioners were smart, a big if, they would put the removal of the Confederate and other monuments on the ballot as a resolution in the 2020 Elections just a few months away. “Let all the people have the opportunity to vote” as they all said in lockstep, directed by Dennis Bailey, when they were trying to pass a sales tax increase in the Primary Elections.

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**Cop Killer Shootout—The  
Untold Story!!! Shelby PD  
K-9 Officer Tim Brackeen v.  
Irving Fenner, Jr. 2019  
articles to be reprinted as a**

# series and the rest of the story told by Robert A. Williams

When a white Shelby Police Department K-9 Officer Tim Brackeen was shot and killed in 2016; allegedly by Irving Lucien Fenner, Jr., a young black man, I was like most everybody else in Cleveland County, North Carolina and the USA. I believed the narrative that was told at that time. Told by the Shelby Star, TV News from all around and the talk of the town. I attended the memorial service at the Shelby High School Baseball field and listened to all the speakers-including then Governor Pat McCrory. Like most everybody else, I expected a cut and dry Capital Murder-Death Penalty Trial in short order with a Guilty verdict and a Death Penalty sentence.

But time was marching on. And on and on and on and on!! Around three years later in the fall of 2019, three years after the alleged murder, the escape, the capture in Rhode Island, the extradition back to NC and the arrest of four others for helping Fenner escape Cleveland County and North Carolina, I began to smell a rat. I changed my mind as new facts; new conclusion took hold. And the truth of the matter began sinking in. The whole “narrative” was false. A cover-up.

Three years and no trial. When any “good” District Attorney who got a conviction and a death sentence on a cop-killer would be running for the NC Attorney General Office. Maybe even the governor’s office by now-running on a Law and Order platform. Something here just seemed to be amiss. Something was on the wrong track for sure. Especially when a source, indirectly, mentioned the women that were involved with the

Fenner escape were still in jail because the DA's Office was trying to force a "flip" where they would testify against Fenner in exchange for a plea bargain. I immediately realized that old time DA trick of keeping people in jail for long periods of time so they confess to something just to finally get out of jail.

So, I got to figuring and asking around a bit. I also pulled up some old press reports about the incident at that time and put them all together. I quickly saw that the DA's Office had some major holes in their case. MAJOR holes in their case.

So, In the Fall of 2019 I began a series of articles demanding the DA bring this Murder 1 case to trial so the truth of the matter would finally come out. Then, messages were sent my way with information that, when compared to the public narrative, caused me to discover more and more holes in the DA's case. Of course, I pushed harder and harder for justice to be done, whatever that justice was, and for the trial to begin. The more I pushed for a fair trial, the more information I received.

As all this was developing, my series of articles were also developing and more and more information was coming my way.

But, as the 2019 City of Shelby Elections were coming fast, I began to write political articles about the 2019 elections. Then the DA called for a trial that quickly ended up with a plea bargain and the 2020 Elections Early Primary got started in late 2019, I shifted my focus a bit toward that, while the remaining story about cop-killing situation slowed down for

more timely articles. Like the mistreatment of Mr. Willie Green in his attempts to fairly do business with the City of Shelby and the many valid lawsuits that have arose from that.

Now, the seemingly valid cries of racism related to the killing of George Floyd in Minnesota, the ensuing protests, violence, looting and arson that have spread around the world as well as the killing of a black man in Atlanta by a white Policeman, Protests in Shelby, divisive attempts underway to remove the Memorial to Confederate Soldiers from the Court Square in Shelby as well as what appears to be an implied blackmail by local "black" leadership to remove the statue on the Court Square or Shelby will burn. And violence may erupt here as well.

So, considering that much of the situation of George Floyd, et al, has many similarities with the racially divisive situation of the SPD Officer Tim Brackeen killing-but in reverse. A black man is accused of killing a white cop. Obviously, the rest of the local Shelby and Cleveland County story needs to be told.

Therefore, I will begin to reprint my previous articles, about one per day, until I get to the actual Shoot-out between SPD Officer Tim Brackeen and Irving Fenner. Then the racial implications of the NO-Trial situation and how that relates to current events in Shelby and Cleveland County.

Stay tuned folks. You are about to be shocked as the truth of this matter will be coming out. One article at a time and in rapid succession.

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# **Commissioners Set to give away \$143,719 Property for -\$30,000 in Secret Sweetheart Deal!!!!?? –Similar to CCS Sale of Old North Shelby School!! Caught Red-Handed by Robert A. Williams**

The Cleveland County Commissioners; Susan Allen, Ronnie Whetstine, Johnny Hutchins, Doug Bridges and Deb Hardin, under the Stealthy County Manager Brian Epley are set to sell (give-away) a piece of property valued by the Cleveland County Tax folks at \$143,719 for a measly \$30,000 at tonight's Commissioner's meeting.

But folks, don't believe me. Please don't believe a word I say. I dare you not to believe a word I say. Go check it out for yourself.

1. First, google "Cleveland County GIS" and "click" on it.
2. Next Enter Parcel Number 25684 in the Box for Parcel Number and click on SUBMIT. A screen titled RESULTS will pop up.
3. On the left-hand top of the Results Screen, put your cursor on the number 25684 and click on that number. A

- screen titled DETAILS will pop up.
4. Scroll down and you will find the Property Address is at 1334 Spake Circle. If you do not see that address, repeat I through 4.
  5. Scroll down just a little more and you will find appraised values for the property.

What you will find is this: 2019 Tax Values

Building Value	\$26,208
Land value	<u>\$117,511</u>
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Total Value	\$143,719

Before you go any further, you might consider taking your blood pressure medication, sit down for five minutes or more and consider this:

The Cleveland County Commissioners noted above, at their meeting tonight, 6:00 PM June 16, 2020 are set to approve selling this property in a “Negotiated Sale” for \$30,000. According to NC State law such a “Negotiated Sale” can only be done for property valued at \$30,000 or less. Otherwise an “advertised” auction is necessary.

So, what have your wonderful Cleveland County Commissioners

done for all you taxpayers? They have given away \$113,719 in property in a wheeling and dealing otherwise secret deal. They have defrauded you taxpayers. They have illegally falsified the property value in such a way as to hide the fact that the property is worth much more than \$30,000. In other words, they are crooks. Plain and simple. And they expect you vote for them in the 2020 Election.

But the Commissioners didn't invent this kind of criminal activity. They just copied what the Cleveland County School Board did in the attempted illegal sale of the old North Shelby School about six months ago.

What happened with the Old North Shelby School is the School Board secretly negotiated with Rev. Dr. Lamont Littlejohn to transfer ownership of the Old North Shelby Property to Littlejohn's Mt. Calvary Baptist Church. But word got out about the crooked school boards plan. Then Mr. Willie Green quickly made the School Board an offer to exchange some property on Earl Road for the Old North Shelby School Property. The Old North Shelby School Property was valued at around \$1.2 Million and Mr. Green's property, adjacent to Shelby High School and across the street from the old K-Mart that Ingalls Grocery Store paid over \$3 Million for.

But, the School Board under Chairman Shearra Miller, Vice-Chair Richard Hooker and Board Member Roger Harris allegedly wanted Littlejohn to get the property in return in Littlejohn's influence in getting out the "black" vote to help them get re-elected to the School Board.



So, at a School Board meeting about six months ago, Mt. Calvary Baptist Church offered \$550,000 for Old North Shelby School-valued at over twice that. Then they refused Mr. Green's offer using the excuse that Mr. Green's wife was on the School Board and a Conflict of interest existed. Never explaining how a higher offer could be called a conflict of interest. The School Board voted to accept the Littlejohn/Mt. Calvary offer of \$550,000 and the required 5% (\$27,500) was put up by Littlejohn/Mt. Calvary.

And all was well, right. Right? WR0000NG!!! Littlejohn/Mt. Calvary has to this day not put up another dime of that remaining balance of \$522,500. Speculation is Littlejohn and Mt. Calvary never will pay up. That after a long enough period of time, the Old North Shelby School Property will miraculously appear in a property transaction where Littlejohn/Mt. Calvary will turn a huge profit.

Oh well folks. When you snooze-you lose.

All I have left to say is single-shot vote for Shawn Murphy for Commissioner. And just suck it up when the old Commissioners raise your taxes next year.

As for the school board, vote Robert Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Rodney Fitch and Samantha Davis. If you do that, you will see major changes. It's just too bad voters and the public didn't pay attention to what the crooks on the County Commissioners were doing to them.

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# **School Board Caught in Another Lie!!! –Besides their “No Traditional Graduation” Fiasco!!! –And another likely Lawsuit against CCS may be coming soon!!! Report by Robert A. Williams**

The Cleveland County School Board, especially at last Monday's meeting (June 8, 2020) has been caught red-handed in lie after lie. Caught so bad by the citizens that were present, that Chairman Shearra Miller-up for reelection-was noted to have broke down crying. Shedding crocodile tears-right before my eyes as I was sitting up front and center-directly in front of her.

I also signed up for Citizen's Recognition and put my two-cents worth in about the School Board's standing lockstep with Governor Roy Cooper's stupidity on keeping lots of things locked down for political reasons. Like the School's normal and traditional graduating ceremonies. And sticking with Cooper's stupid narrative that cost North Carolina over \$200 Million when President Trump called Cooper's hand and moved the Republican National Convention out of North Carolina. Yes folks, the NO Traditional Graduation decision and Cooper's foot-dragging that cost Charlotte and NC \$200 Million plus are

related. But that will soon be covered in another article.

This article is about the lies and corruption by the school board that cost Wysheka Nance her job at CCS. An illegal action that was the Closed Session item that caused a Special Called School Board meeting on May 27, 2020.

During a later meeting, the May 27, 2020 meeting minutes carried the following paragraph for that Closed Session which stated:

*"Shearra Miller called for a motion to approve the dismissal of Wyshekia Nance as recommended by the superintendent in the closed session discussion. ON A MOTION BY ROGER HARRIS, SECONDED BY DR. JOHN C. HAMRICK, JR. the Board of Education voted 8 to 1 to approve the dismissal of employee Wyshekia Nance as recommended by the superintendent. Danny Blanton stated he voted "no" on the motion because a police investigation should have been done."*

**I smelled a rat when I read that paragraph and included the paragraph in a previous article.**

**Normally I do not include a person's name when I write articles, but this time I decided to leave the paragraph exactly as the School Board approved it in their meeting minutes-an official record. I was hoping to get a response from Wyshekia Nance.**

**And I did get a response from Ms. Nance. This is what I learned.**

Ms. Nance had a personal business completely outside and separate from her CCS job where she does custom artwork on T-Shirts, trays and other items. Somehow somebody from CCS decided some of Ms. Nance's artwork was "offensive" to CCS's and that Ms. Nance would have to resign. Ms. Nance refused to resign because she was doing nothing wrong. So, the School

Board called a special meeting and voted to dismiss Ms. Nance.

According to the minutes shown above, Danny Blanton voted against dismissing Ms. Nance because there was no police investigation that indicated any crime or any wrongdoing. It is likely that Ms. Nance was NOT present in that closed session and that Supt. Fisher misrepresented the whole thing to the school board in the first place. It apparently was not disclosed that other CCS employees also were doing similar artwork business outside of CCS and were not subject to discipline. A clear violation of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

But Ms. Wyshekia was officially dismissed anyway. And is likely seeking an attorney to file a major Federal Lawsuit against CCS. More power to Ms. Wyshekia Nance whose only offence appears to be that she stood up for her constitutional rights.

And the CCS School Board is caught up in another lie and in another cover-up!!!

If you are fed up with the School Board's wrongdoings that seem to never end. And you wonder what it will take to end such illegal acts, the answer is simple. Vote for Robert Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Rodney Fitch and Samantha Davis in the 2020 School Board elections on November 3, 2020. Do this and such as this will disappear from the face of Cleveland County Schools. Hopefully forever!!! And when the mess is cleaned up, every effort will be directed to the proper education of the 15,000 students at CCS.