

Willie Green Files Rule 60 Motion in Shelby Lawsuit Lawsuit Against Shelby Mayor Stanhope Anthony!! Wants to have “MY day in court!!!” Report by Robert A. Williams

Editor’s Note: Mr. Willie Green has submitted the following document to the Cleveland and Lincoln County Judicial District Senior Superior Court Judge Forrest Donald Bridges per Rule 60 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure. Rule 60 allows for previous Orders to be set aside because of mistakes, fraud, newly discovered evidence and other reasons. Mr. Green clearly states that he wants his day in court. Just like the US Constitution says is his right to do so.

Just in case you might have forgotten, Shelby Mayor Stan Anthony is alleged to have defamed Mr. Green during the obvious racially discriminatory ruling by the Shelby City Council to deny Mr. Green’s Zoning Change Request for a housing project to build High End Condos on property Mr. Green owns at the intersection of Main Street and Dixon Blvd in Shelby, NC. Mr. Green further alleges the City of Shelby and the County Commissioners have colluded in a “joint effort” to prevent Mr. Green from doing Business in Shelby and Cleveland County. Now, Mr. Green has two properties that present zoning will allow Mr. Green to build “Tiny Homes” for up to 200 homeless veterans without any Zoning Changes at all. Is that Karma or what?

Mr. Green Writes:

From: Willie Green March

To: Judge Bridges March 12, 2021

Judge Forrest Donald Bridges,

The purpose of this email is to request under Rule 60, for you to reconsider your recent decision to issue a Summary Judgement in the case of 5-Star Athlete Development, LLC. v. Stanhope O. Anthony, III Case No. 20-CVS-585 and allow the case against Mayor Anthony to proceed. I hope that such consideration will allow this case to move forward and relevant information be obtained through deposition and other evidentiary discoveries.

In addition to your belief, your ruling in the case against Mayor Anthony was also based on the following statements as to your decision to issue a Summary Judgement, "this court concludes that the alleged defamatory statement, "Mr. Green was advised to get a re-zone contingency in his purchase contract prior to closing and he failed to do so..." is not a statement that is slanderous per se, as it is not a statement that accuses him of a criminal act, does not accuse him of having a loathsome disease, **does not tend to subject him to ridicule, contempt of disgrace, nor does it impeach him in his trade or profession.**"

This is the evidence that has happened since your recent ruling, under Mayor Anthony's leadership. (1) The Shelby City Council has rushed to passed an unexplained ordinance to specifically prevent me from operating my sports training facility on my property that is part of your Summary Judgment Order, (2) the County – in a joint effort with the City to further retaliate against me – has illegally and prematurely garnished funds from my checking account in hopes of forcing a tax foreclosure on said property and (3) Mayor Anthony and the City Council is in aggressive discussions to find a way to prevent me from building my 116 unit tiny home development for homeless military veterans on my 16 acres of land located at 600 Earl Rd.

Based on these named material facts, there is enough evidence to disprove your belief and to now invoke Rule 60, to allow

*5-Star Athlete Development, LLC. v. Stanhope O. Anthony, III
Case No. 20-CVS-585 to continue.*

The City and County public officials know their unscrupulous behavior will be protected by our judicial system, thus the old saying “you can’t fight city hall.” And your recent decision, based on your beliefs – rather than facts – further validates the old saying.

I look forward to your response and my day in court.

Willie A. Green, Sr.

Editor’s Note Part II: For all you native Cleveland County residents with a long memory and a knack for paying attention to what is going on here, it is obvious who is at fault in all this racial discrimination excuse for covering up corruption, And, it sure ain’t Mr. Willie A. Green Sr.

Hey, do any of you remember when Cleveland County was one of the 40 Counties in North Carolina that were on the Department of Justice watch list for voting right suppression of black citizens? It appears Cleveland County got off that watch list a few years too early. Maybe when the DOJ wasn’t looking?

Crazy School Board “Special Called Meeting” for Monday, March 15 @ 6:00pm!! They are gonna waste \$168,700 just

**because they're stupid!!!
Actually, Double Stupid on
top of being Double Crazy!!
It is YOUR tax money that is
being wasted. We will do the
math!!! Report and the Truth
provided by Robert A.
Williams**

Facts:

Cleveland County Schools have been closed down for full in-person learning for over one full year.

The Cleveland County Schools Budget for this one-year period was approximately \$155 Million. **But now CCS says they are broke.**

CCS did not lay off one single person in their Administration and Staff dealing with education of our children during this school shutdown.

CCS, during this time, has reported that the admin and staff were kept busy and were working hard (always working hard, they say) with planning and re-planning all the numerous contingencies dealing with the COVID-19 shutdown.

Virtual Learning (using computers and on the internet) has been thoroughly debunked by almost every school board across the USA as NOT being effective.

Cleveland County Schools has made many statements that Virtual learning is not nearly as effective as in person learning with a live teacher in a classroom with "live" children.

The Cleveland County Schools has acknowledged that not all students have access to the internet and Virtual Learning at

home.

Cleveland County Schools, during all these many months of alternative education has refused to release any data regarding testing of Virtual Learning students.

However, at the March 8, 2021 School Board meeting, it was noted that CCS was working "hard" to make plans to "re-test" children in the summer months. Apparently admitting that test scores were failing for an extremely high number of students.

At exactly 8:00AM Saturday morning (March 13, 2021), CCS sent out a notice that there would be a special "Called Meeting" on Monday March 15, 2021 at 6:00PM at the Central services. There were only two called meeting issues (Action Items) on the agenda

1. Transition to Plan A: Grades 6-12

2. Chromebooks Request

CCS says "The Technology Department requests approval of the purchase of 2,410 Chromebooks at an estimated cost of \$872,136.83 including taxes. These new devices will be used to continue our student device replacement. These new devices will allow us to replace the approximately 2,500 devices, currently in use, that have or will reach Google Auto Update Expiration by 9/1/2021."

There is NO PUBLIC PARTICIPATON allowed on this Special Called Meeting Agenda.

Full acknowledgement that all the items above are factual and true as CCS says they are, the following questions, comments and conclusions are obvious:

1. Cleveland County Schools spent all this past years' time justifying keeping schools Closed-Down tight and ZERO time on getting schools started back up. Otherwise, there would be no need for this coming Monday's "Special Called Meeting." Also, Where were the New Republican School Board Majority on this issue. Obviously Sleeping at the wheel on this most important of issues. Restarting Schools.

2. The Technology Department was also obviously sleeping at

the wheel with their planning to purchase 2,410 Chromebook Computers.

3. The 2,500 Chromebook computers presently in use are apparently fully functional and useable. The only problem is the "Google Auto Update" feature is scheduled to EXPIRE on September 1, 2021 and the Technology Department would rather spend \$872,136.83 of taxpayer dollars instead of installing updates themselves on the fully functioning Chromebook Computers presently owned by CCS.

4. CCS Administration and the Technology Department have not uttered one word on what these Updates will do or even if these updates include such unwelcome attempts to teach students Common Core or even Socialism and Communism.

5. No Public Participation allowed by School Board Chairman Robert "Luke" Queen at this Special Called Meeting is just another example of Luke's declaration of war and utter disdain for the citizens of Cleveland County who are taxpayers, citizens and parents who want what is the best for the students. And wasting money is not good for anybody, especially the children, Since the funds that are wasted can never make its way into the classroom.

If the School Board weren't so double stupid and double crazy as to call a Special Called Meeting for such hair-brained reasons, all this could have been included in the agenda for a regular school board meeting. Then, perhaps, I might not have discovered what I am about to disclose below.

1. The company the Technology Department is recommending to purchase these 2,410 computers from, "Traferra" does not seem to exist as a legitimate business or company. My google search for "Traferra" turns up nothing business related, only as Dylania Traferra, Wolfhunter of Iallstry. One of the characters of a computer game listed under "Deviant Art". Or, perhaps a "Con-Game" run out of CCS's Technology Department.

2. A search of suppliers of Classroom Ready Chromebook Computers indicated that WALMART sells an equivalent, maybe

better, Chromebook Computer for \$269 each. Which is \$70 (each) cheaper than the CCS Technology Department's recommendation. \$70 cheaper times 2,410 computers represents a **\$168,700 savings**. It took me exactly eight minutes to find this savings. The Walmart Pricing and details are shown at the end of this article. Note the 4.7 stars out of 5 rating.

Folks, now you know why Cleveland County Governmental officials hate my guts. I can spot corruption a mile away and tell on the offenders. My prediction is the corrupt school board will vote to purchase the Chromebook Computers that Superintendent Stephen Fisher recommends. The higher priced ones. Even though the so-called Virtual Learning program has proven itself to be an overall failure. What did Einstein say about people keeping on doing the same thing yet expecting a different result. Einstein said that was the definition of "insanity." I believe Einstein would agree with me calling the entire Cleveland County School Board "Crazy!"

Well, Williams, what would YOU do? one might ask. My answer is this. "Books". Go back to "Textbooks." Text books are cheaper than Chromebook Computers to begin with and have a successful history of over 500 years. The USA Education system put a man on the moon without ever using the first computer in the Classrooms that taught the NASA Scientists and Engineers. Same as with the Manhattan Project scientists and engineers. Computers were always useful as tools; never as a replacement for classroom teachers and school classrooms.

So, why are we wasting so many tax dollars on Computers that have to be replaced when "Google" automatic updates expire on otherwise functional computer equipment??? And in such a hurry without any planning of even a second thought. Could it be that the money "wasted," in part, may find its way into Tim Moore's election campaign for the US Senate in 2022??? Otherwise, why else would the Republican School Board Majority Members lead by Robert "Luke" Queen, be acting so stupidly???

The Walmart pricing is shown below. This Acer Chromebook is \$70 Cheaper and likely better than the ones recommended by the CCS Technology Department. Where is the CCS Education Department? Where is the student test scores that show Virtual Learning is better than book learning in the Classroom? Or even that Virtual learning is as good as book learning? Why are CCS so-called “Leaders” not demanding answers to these questions? Why is Luke’s School Board excluding parents and taxpayers from such decisions? Stay tuned for my next several articles about CCS and YOU will find out.

Walmart

Acer

Acer Chromebook 315, 15.6” Full HD 1080p IPS Touchscreen Display, Intel Celeron N4020, 4GB LPDDR4, 64GB eMMC, CB315-3HT-C6XF (Google Classroom Ready)

\$269.00 each

Acer

Model: NX.HKCAA.005

Walmart # 582113438

Average Rating:(4.7)starsout of5stars166 ratings, based on166reviews

355 comments

\$269.00\$269.00

Commissioners receive Offer to Settle in Latest

**Lawsuit!!! Conditional Offer
to settle for \$125,000 if
settled IMMEDIATELY!!!
Lawsuit against
Commissioners, DSS and Doug
Bridges for Employment
Discrimination based on race
and retaliation!!!
Commissioner's New Lawyer
scolded by Plaintiff!!!
Report and recommendation by
Robert A. Williams**

This Federal lawsuit, Rev. Dante Murphy v. Cleveland County Commissioners, Doug Bridges, DSS Director Katie Swanson and likely others before long is the second lawsuit filed in Federal Court against the Cleveland County Commissioners and DSS. The first one, several years ago was settled by DSS paying Rev. Murphy \$55,000 for the wrongdoings that DSS employees committed against Rev. Murphy by those DSS Employees under the direction of their DSS Supervisors. Very similar to another active Federal Lawsuit: Kline v. Cleveland County DSS and a slew of other DSS employees.

It seems that the County Commissioners would rather pay off lawsuits than discipline DSS Employees and DSS supervisors that do bad things. Very bad things.

This second Federal Lawsuit, Murphy v. Commissioners et al, arises directly because the Cleveland County Commissioners and DSS refuses to properly supervise and discipline, when necessary, the DSS Director and DSS supervisors and employees. AND practice discrimination and retaliation against anybody that tells on them. And, have done so for at least the last 25 years.

Another particular aspect of the Murphy and Kline lawsuits, as well as the recently settled, big payoff in the Willis lawsuit, is that I might have been and may be called upon to testify for the Plaintiffs in these lawsuits. As in Rev. Murphy's first lawsuit against the Commissioners and DSS is that I was in attendance at the County Commissioner's Meeting when Rev. Murphy informed the Commissioners of wrongdoing at CC DSS and the Commissioners refused to do anything to discipline the offending DSS Director, Supervisors and Employees before and after the lawsuit was filed and later after the lawsuit was settled paying Rev. Murphy because the employees had to be truthful under oath or risk years in prison on perjury charges. Something the employees had to do because there were tape recordings. Just like in the Willis Lawsuit that was paid off after the Health Department Director and Landfill manager were forced to resign.

In Rev. Murphy's second lawsuit against the Commissioners, DSS, et al ("et al" means and others), Rev Murphy has request documents from the Commissioners and DSS under the Freedom of Information Act as well as NC Public Records laws. The Commissioner's newly hired high dollar lawyer out of Charlotte, Stephanie Webster, has demanded that Rev. Murphy NOT contact directly with the Commissioner defendants. Rev. Murphy has twice refused to comply with Attorney Webster's demands as he (as does) myself believe it is unconstitutional to demand that a citizen of the United States to be required to NOT contact an elected governmental officer in what would otherwise be for lawful and constitutional purposes. Rev.

Murphy has also chided Attorney Webster for offering him unwanted, un-asked for and “free” legal advice.

Rev. Murphy has made an offer to settle his lawsuit for \$125,000 if his offer to settle is accepted before he has to hire an attorney. Apparently, Rev. Murphy knows from his past experience with Cleveland County Commissioner’s attorneys, that especially when they know they are wrong and have used up all their legal and illegal tricks and shenanigans that they will settle the case prior to having to admit that they did wrong or have a judge and a jury reach a verdict that they did wrong. They do this for two main reasons.

1. If they admit If they are found to have done wrong, they will likely lose their next election.
2. If they are convicted of a felony crime for a criminal act, (perjury is a felony crime, they will automatically lose any claim of “immunity” for their actions in office, and then any jury awards and fines would come out of their own pockets instead of out of the taxpayer’s pockets.

My recommendations, based on my own knowledge of these cases, is that the Commissioners should jump on the opportunity and pay Rev. Murphy (and the Kline’s too) for what they ask for and pay them immediately. My guess is the Commissioners will not accept this recommendation, even though their lawyer bills will likely exceed the offers to settle. This is either stupidity or incompetence. I don’t know which, but with this Commissioner and School Board crowd, who can tell the difference???

Stay tuned folks, these lawsuits were all preventable but were not prevented. “Old dogs don’t learn new tricks” is an old saying that applies here for the commissioners. Unfortunately, this could be said for the voters too. However, from the unpopular property tax increases that are soon coming out and the next Commissioner Elections of commissioners only include Doug Bridges and Deb Hardin, shortsighted voters may only get rid of Bridges and Hardin and will forget Hutchins, Whetstine

and Gordon by 2024.

On the other hand, Rev. Murphy is likely to be ready to hire an attorney and go all the way to the US Supreme Court if necessary. Either way, stay tuned folks.

Construction Already Underway for “Tiny Home Community!!” Off Kings Road-East Main Street in Shelby–For Homeless Veterans!!! Zoning Change Request to be withdrawn–Not needed!! Everything is a done deal thanks to the Shelby City Council and Mayor!! Report of facts (and satire) by Robert A. Williams

The Valor Village-Shelby Project, a 70+ unit housing project utilizing 160 Square Foot individual prefabricated modules to house homeless veterans has already started. Clearing the property has begun. Bringing in a Construction Support “Garage” has already happened. The Zoning Change Request, “Conditional-Use Permit” hearing tentatively set for March 15th 2021 at the Don Gibson, according to sources, is being

withdrawn because it is NOT NEEDED\ according to a close legal review of the City of Shelby Zoning Ordinances adopted by the Shelby City Council and Mayor. The same Shelby Leadership termed as ineffective by the SWOT Analysis contained in the City of Shelby 10-Year Masterplan. The same Shelby Zoning Ordnnances that would allow Mr. Willie Green to build the very same Tiny Home Community on his property on the other end of the Main Street neighborhood that caused the City of Shelby to deny Mr. Green's plans to build "High-End" Condos at that location.

Is that Karma or what for the adjacent neighborhood and the City of Shelby Officials who pulled so many dirty legal tricks in Mr. Willie Green's lawsuits against them??? Is it Karma or what for the entire City of Shelby for Mr. Green to consider building a 100+ (maybe 200+) unit Tiny House Project for homeless Veterans on his Earl Road property adjacent to the Thread Trail/Rail Trail multi \$Million project that is now NOT going to be used for a Sports Complex thanks to the ineffective leadership by the City of Shelby. A sports facility that would have provided a facility for Shelby and Cleveland County youths to train in individual and team sports instead of committing crimes throughout Shelby.

But, for the Homeless Veterans that have risked their lives and bodies defending the US Constitution and all Americans, this "Tiny Hove Community" concept is a wonderful thing. The Veterans Administration as well as the American Legion, Disabled Veterans, etc. should applaud the Valor-Village folks as well as Mr. Willie Green for providing this wonderful opportunity for homeless Veterans across North Carolina as well as the Nation to have a safe, comfortable and private residence at an unfortunate period of time in their lives. Especially the Earl Road Property of Mr. Green, which is so convenient, and easily accessible by bicycle to uptown Shelby and other locations along the way by the Thread and Rail Trails. With a Cleveland County address, these previously

homeless Veterans can go to the Earl Scruggs Center for free on Wednesdays. The Farmer's Market on Saturdays. The Livermush Festival, the Alive After Five concert events, the Arts Council, sidewalk dining right downtown, the American Legion World Series and the Seventh Inning Stretch-both paid for by the Cleveland County Commissioners and so much more.

Wonderful news all around!! Right? We also encourage the voters in Shelby to go ahead and attend the March 15, 2021 City Council meeting and properly thank your city council for NOT being as ineffective as their 10-Year Master Plan says they are!!! I am sure YOU will be glad that you did. Also, remember that 2021 is an Election for Violet Arth Dukes, Rev Charles Webber and Eric Hendrick. I am sure they would appreciate your vote on Election Day 2021. Their records of lawsuits and now the Tiny House Community for Homeless Veterans deserves YOUR attention and support for the best candidates.

**Valor Village Shelby–Project Under Fire from Neighbors!!!
A “Tiny House Community” for Homeless Veterans on City of Shelby Council Meeting Agenda for March 15, 2021 at Don**

Gibson Theater!! Large Protest in OPPOSITION from Neighbors being organized!!! Report, comparisons and arguendo by Robert A. Williams

The Valor Village Shelby Project touts itself as being a patriotic organization with the Mission Statement being: To Create a community that honors the concept of "Leave no one behind." These "Valor" folks want to build around 76 "Tiny Houses" for homeless veterans in the neighborhood bounded by Kings Road on one end with an entrance, Main Street, beginning at East Dixon Boulevard. The Main Street/East Dixon Blvd Property belonging to Willie Green. This same neighborhood that was and still is in controversy and lawsuits stemming from Mr. Green wanting to build high end Condos on his property but was denied (illegally) by the Shelby City Council denying his rezoning request.

As with Mr. Green, the Valor Village construction opposition is supposedly based on the perception that the existing neighborhood's property values would be adversely affected by Mr. Green's High End Condo project on one side of the neighborhood and this "Tiny Houses" (160 Square foot-about the size of one medium size (12 x 13) bedroom) project on the other side of the neighborhood.

Most, including myself, believe Mr. Green's project on East Dixon-Main Street was illegally opposed and denied because of racial discrimination. I further believe that this "Tiny House" Project opposition is based on discrimination as well,

but of another sort. Economic/Handicap discrimination. Of course, both forms of discrimination are outlawed by the Fair Housing Act. A Federal Civil Rights law whose violations are very often justified (falsely) by opponents as a perceived “lowering” of the adjacent properties’ value.

One would think that the Shelby City Council would be wary of this new project’s high potential for major lawsuits against them. But, as many believe, Shelby is already an “ass-wipe” little Podunk berg of a town that is already drying up and blowing away. A sentiment reflected in the 2020 census as well as Shelby’s own 10-year masterplan that describes the towns leadership as inadequate.

For an independent observer like myself, I have to think that “Karma” has descended upon that East Shelby Neighborhood that is the subject of this article. But there is more, much more. Perhaps “Karma” is descending over the whole of Shelby.

In a recently obtained proposal by Mr. Willie Green to potential “partners” Including the Veterans Administration and others, Mr. Green is proposing partnership arrangements with those interested in investing in his property on Earl Road for a similar Tiny House Community, except much larger. Mr. Green lists his properties attributes as being adjacent to Holly Oak Park and Shelby High School, The Thread Trail (And the Rail Trail) which would provide easy access to downtown Shelby. This would be totally amplified by the fact that bicycle accessibility to Mr. Green’s property via the Thread/Rail Trail would allow several hundred formerly homeless veterans and other homeless families to “bicycle” those trails to access Downtown/Uptown Shelby en-mass every day. As a necessity as very few homeless individuals actually own cars. A bicycle equipped with a basket and a light could turn the City of Shelby into a welcoming mecca for the homeless. Easy access to Healthcare, Mental health treatments, job training, job access, Accelerate Cleveland access at Cleveland Community College, etc. Day and night. Mr. Green’s property on Earl Road

also offers the advantage that it is already zoned for this type of Tiny Home Community Development for hundreds of homeless.

Folks, this is an evolving story with more details forthcoming. Stay Tuned!!!

PS: The NOTICE being posted around the noted neighborhood is attached below for your convenience. Perhaps YOU might want to attend the City of Shelby Council meeting March 15, 2021 or call a Shelby city official.

Notice

Outside non-profit to build supposed Homeless Veteran Village
in our Neighborhood, NOW!!!

76 TINY HOMES 160 SQFT EACH on few acres

TO BE BUILT BETWEEN THE CHILDENS HOME, KINGS RD, EAST MAIN AND CABANISS DR.
WE MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO STOP IT BUT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO SHRINK IT DUE TO PARKING req.

IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

COUNCIL VOTE IS MAR. 15th at 6PM

YOU MUST SIGN UP TO SPEAK BETWEEN 5:30 AND 5:45 AT THE DON GIBSON THEATER

THE MEETING IS REMOTE, MASKS REQUIRED, SEND A PERSON IN YOUR PLACE IF COVID IS A HEALTH
CONCERN FOR YOU, speaking not required

THE DEVELOPERS ARE COUNTING ON NO AUDIENCE AND AN EASY PASSAGE

PROPERTY VALUE WILL PLUMMET, PETTY CRIME WILL INCREASE!!

This is not Anti Veteran it is pro Property rights

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**County Shooting Range
shutting down, can't pay for
itself!!! Taxes, Lies and
Politics-Cleveland County
Style!!! Taxes Going UP, Big
Lies told by all and Dirty
Politics!!! County Hires Tax
Management Consultant to
Audit Taxpayers and Maximize
tax increases!!! County hires
new lawyer-More lawsuits!!!
Ha-Ha, the Shelby Star told
you so!!! Report, rumors,
gossip, sea stories, Fairy
Tales and facts by Robert A.
Williams YOU decide which is
which!!!**

Editor's Note: Don't believe a word in this article. Nothing is true unless the Shelby Star writes it!!! (Ha-ha-ha!) This article is somewhere between Rhetorical Hyperbole and 100% truth. You decide which is which and how much. This is an

educational experience in critical thinking. Let's see if YOU can pass the test.

Folks, Remember the story about the store owner in Dirty Ankle, Brian Epley, that bought his snuff in Shelby for a dime per bale and sold it back in Dirty Ankle for a nickel a bale? Do you ever wonder what happened to that merchant? I just found out that the Cleveland County Commissioners were so impressed with Brian's business acumen that they hired him as the County Manager with special emphasis on running the County Shooting Range for Commissioner Johnny Hutchins. He also "moonlights" by running the LeGrand Center, The Don Gibson Theatre, the Earl Scruggs Center and the Arts Council in Uptown Shelby. Rumor has it that the Commissioners are so impressed with that great business mind of Brian's that they are going to give him a \$50,000 raise and double his staff of 25. And a brand-new Cadillac Escalade for a County car until his Mercedes gets delivered and his chauffeur gets hired. As well as give him a premier membership at the Cleveland County Country Club in hopes the Country Club will finally pay their delinquent property tax bills.

Rumor has it that veteran Commissioners Johnny Hutchings and Ronnie Whetstone are especially impressed with the great mind of this wonderful and thrifty County Manager, that they have tasked the County Manager Brian Epley to raise property taxes substantially on farms and people's residences in 2021, while leaving property tax evaluations the same for favored business owners and lay the blame on Commissioners Doug Bridges and Deb Hardin who are up for reelection in 2022. Gossip has it that Brian even hired a Tax Management Consultant who will audit taxpayers' personal records to make sure the county commissioners can squeeze citizens for every penny that they can. Brian even hired another high dollar lawyer, Stephanie Webster-out of Charlotte-to cover-up for the Commissioners failures to abide by the law. But mostly to cover-up Brian for not following the law. Brian just claims immunity from

prosecution because his subordinates that he ordered to do illegal stuff were the ones who actually did the illegal stuff.

The Sea Stories say that Eddie Holbrook and Tim Moore are behind all the shenanigans that are going on. The Casino payoffs. The new auditoriums promised for Burns and Crest High Schools, The New School Board Majority selling out the people and the students so Robert "Luke" Queen can get his payoffs-political and otherwise. Keeping the same ole incompetent administration at CCS so Kings Mountain will continue supporting Tim More when he runs for the US Senate in 2022 and Eddie Holbrook makes his political comeback as County Commissioner. Luke also has to shut down Danny Blanton from finding all the CCS waste and telling on them.

Those same Sea Stories say, this is all Politics and Politics in Cleveland County is all about political lies. This is how it goes. Tim and Eddie are ambitious. Tim wants a political office higher than Speaker of the House and has looked into the Crystal Ball of Politics, The US Senate race for North Carolina has an open seat in 2022 and the Presidential and Governor's Elections are not until 2024. So, since Speaker of the House has given Tim statewide name recognition, Tim can run for the US Senate in 2022, get nationwide name recognition and springboard off that Senate seat to a run for either the President, Vice-President or Governor's race in 2024.

But, for Tim Moore to pull all this off, he has to make political promises to others so they will help him and so they can move up the political ladder too. And the 2020 Census and the power of the General Assembly to redraw district representation lines offers an important tool for Tim to pull up his supporters by making the district lines so his favorites can get elected and suck on the taxpayer's "tit" for all they all can get. Kind of like a "share the wealth" program for politicians. Share the "swamp" many Trump supporters would say.

So, who are on those on Tim's supporter's list??? To figure that out, you have to look at both the local and state politics. At this point in time in early 2021 Tom has to secure his local base in the Republican Party and with the local Representatives. As well as spread some state money around. Names like Kelly Hastings, Dennis Bailey, Ted Alexander, Luke Queen and Jonathan Sink rise to the top. And lots just underneath them. Eddie Holbrook too. Although Eddie's Casino attorneys may advise him to lay-low since all the Casino Money Eddie has come in to as a result of his likely illegal acts as a Cleveland County Commissioner may make him the subject for an FBI criminal investigation. The local DA ain't about to prosecute nobody.

As the Sea Stories go, mixing in some Fairy Tales, looking into that same political Crystal Ball that Tim Moore is looking into shows the following scenarios.

Dennis Bailey is likely to run for Shelby City Council in 2021. Mostly to recoup his embarrassing loss to Violet Dukes in the 2017 Elections. And to help Tim in the 2022 US Senate Race. If Dennis wins, he will be expected to help Tim in 2022, but Dennis will have some expectations too. Moving up in the Republican Party to a much higher level. Maybe an appointment to something in Tim's Senate office.

Robert "Luke" Queen will be expected to put a lid on scandals at Cleveland County Schools and put a lid on Danny Blanton for exposing them. Luke will take the \$15 million Tim diverted from the Democrats in the 2020 School Board Elections and build new Auditoriums at Burns and Crest High Schools on a schedule that the news will benefit Tim's run for the US Senate in 2022. Luke will be responsible to see to it that the Kings Mountain incompetent influence on CCS Administration is kept in place to protect Tim's hometown favorites Fisher, Wampler and others) from being canned. And keep the Kings Mountain Baptist Church in Tim's back pocket. Tim can't be having controversy in his own back yard while running for US

Senate in 2022. Especially if Laura Trump is Tim's opposition for that US Senate (Burr) seat from North Carolina.

Luke might even run for the NC House to take Tim's place on that ballot. Of course, district lines will be redrawn, maybe even into Rutherford County to allow Luke to run for that office. And Luke will NOT be in any position for the Speaker of the House role. But Luke is like an evil chameleon. He has a taste for political power and can change his colors at a moment's notice. Luke's election to the school board shows that.

Jonathon Sink's district (The Old Tim Moore District) will likely be adjusted to include different proportions in Cleveland and Gaston County to allow for any tweaking necessary for Jonathan Sink's relocation to be finalized so a district can be carved out for him. Sink has been dogged by scandals at the State Republican Party top level for some time now. Sink's law firm is involved with Gaston County as well as the lawyers for Cleveland County Schools. So, a district drawn up from South Eastern Cleveland and South Western Gaston County (Casino territory and big money contributions) may be in store for Jonathan Sink. Although Sink would be expected to share his Casino money around to Hastings and Luke Queen.

Kelly Hastings' district may be tweaked a bit for include a safe Upper Cleveland County part as well as a safe part of Gaston County. Maybe even to adjoin the Casino district to keep the "Casino money" encircled by Cleveland County greedy politicians.

That Speaker of the House position held by Tim Moore will probably be lost because neither Luke, Kelly or Jonathan have enough political pull to maintain the state cash that Tim was bringing in to keep his home district satisfied. But, the Casino money, cash money, would be encircled and more under the table deals can be made without so much legal and IRS scrutiny as Tim Moore has had.

At the more local levels, Commissioners Johnny Hutchins and Ronnie Whetstine won't be up for reelection until 2024. As the big tax increase is set to hit in late 2021 and Commissioners Doug Bridges and Deb Hardin are due for reelection in 2022, the insolvent Shooting Range and the other big money losers will likely be looked at for shutdown. And rightly so. How can all those money losing boondoggles be spared from shut-down when the taxpayers are going to be fleeced for big time property tax increases.

Since Hutchins and Whetstine were stripped of County Commissioner leadership last December, they want to get rid of Bridges and Hardin. Therefore, they will insist that the Tax RATE stay where it is to make sure tax revenue is at a maximum. In large part to keep the money losing Shooting Range and other Boondoggles in the continued business of losing money. Eddie Holbrook will sooner or later demand more money for the biggest loser of all, the American Legion World Series and the second-place money loser, the Cleveland County Fair, all tax funded under the guidance of County Manager Brian Epley. (Remember the snuff merchant described at the start of this article.) So, Tim will likely see to it that some state grants come through for the County Shooting Range, the ALWS, the Fair, the Earl Scruggs Center, the Don Gibson and the Arts Council through at least the 2022 elections to appease Johnny and Ronnie and beat Doug and Deb.

The rumors, gossip, Sea Stories, Fairy Tales and the great and powerful Political Crystal Ball grow a bit cloudy after the 2022 Elections. If Tim Moore wins the US Senate Seat in 2022, Tim will likely be running for the big prize in 2024. Either the President, Vice President or NC Governor race. If Tim loses the US Senate seat in 2022, the Crystal Ball's scenes of corruption grows dark. Especially if Commissioners Doug Bridges, Deb Hardin and Kevin Gordon vote down the 2021 reevaluation and leaves everything as is—a true “Revenue Neutral” until the State Law kicks in and requires a property

reevaluation in 2024 However, that would be the biggest Fairy Tale of All.

Folks, call Commissioners Doug Bridges, Deb Hardin and Kevin Gordon. Demand that they vote down the "Snuff Sellers" 2021 tax reevaluation. Otherwise, YOU are screwed!!!

**Lawsuit Update!!
Commissioners Pay off One
Lawsuit, And Two Lawsuits
take its Place!!! Corruption
keeps on increasing as
taxpayers have to pay the
lawyer bills and the
payoffs!! Report, update,
arguendo and gossip by Robert
A. Williams**

Folks, if you are mad because your taxes are going up, YOU ain't seen nothing yet.

The Willis v. Cleveland County Commissioners, County Manager Brian Epley, County Health Department Dorothea Wyant and Sam Lockridge lawsuit has been dismissed by “Stipulation.” That is Code for the County paid off the Willis’s bigtime. Even more

so the Willis' won't tell that the County had to pay off. Ms. Willis had tape recordings of the long-term sexual harassment and the threats to fire her and her husband if she told about the harassment to begin with.

This lawsuit ended up removing two high-level Health Department officials, including the Director, threw the Health Department into such turmoil that the COVID data was so mishandled that ALL our kids are still NOT back in School full time. All because a Health Department Employee, a big buddy of a Commissioner, had known "zipper problems" with various female coworkers that the Commissioners covered up for 25 years.

The "Dismissed by Stipulation" means that neither a Judge nor a jury made a ruling in the case. An out of court settlement was made that paid the Plaintiff's plenty enough so they took the money and the extra money to keep quiet about the whole thing. And, why not? Most folks in their situation find themselves ostracized by their co-workers, who are afraid of retaliation themselves, while the trial preliminaries are going on such that the Plaintiffs feel that to bring the case to a trial will also benefit all the other coworkers that were "shunning" them through it all. It's like when I get mine, the rest of you "sheep" are on your own. The commissions like it that way too. Because they can claim "confidentiality" and not do anything to change the "System." And the next time a lawsuit crops up, they get their lawyers do it all over again.

Now, there are two more cases (that I know of) against the Commissioners and the Department of Social Services and a slew of DSS Employees, including the Director, for all sorts of wrongdoing. Including job discrimination based on race.

One of these cases is Kline v. Cleveland County Commissioners, DSS Director Katie Swanson, Former DSS Directors Karen Prichard and Jane Shooter, DSS Supervisors Pam Bright and Tamara Hardin and DSS caseworkers Nichole Allen, Debi Reece

and Christopher Lee as well as Johnny Anderson White. The start of this case is when DSS refused to do a fair and impartial investigation and then refused to allow Court Ordered Visitation. I have heard this kind of stuff out of DSS so much it seems like in the millions.

What I find very interesting is that the DSS Supervisors are claiming that they only had a "Supervisory role" and were not liable for the Unconstitutional Acts of their subordinates. Kind of like the Nuremburg War Crimes Trial of the Nazis after World War II, but in reverse. The Nazis claimed they were only following orders from Hitler when they did what they did. The DSS Supervisors are saying their subordinates actually did the unconstitutional acts so they, the supervisors, should NOT be prosecuted. Justice in this DSS case, in my opinion, would be "hang them all." The Kline's say both the supervisors and their subordinates were all involved with the scheming and planning to do the unconstitutional acts. I say the blame starts at the top and works all the way up through to the bottom of an organization, And the proof starts at the bottom and works its way through the DSS Director to the County Manager and finally to the Commissioners.

Presently the Federal Court Judge is in the process of separating the Federal Civil Rights violations from the violations of North Carolina State law on the part of the DSS. My prediction is that this case will be split into two parts. One for Federal Court and One for State Court. So, the Commissioners may end up having to pay off twice. Using taxpayer dollars of course. Which I say is good. If the Commissioners and County Manager were acting like they had any sense, they would make sure that all county agencies were doing their jobs properly. And if the Commissioners and the County Manager are doing bad acts, it is because the taxpayers and voters are NOT paying attention. Just like the taxpayers were NOT paying attention when this major tax increase was brewing. I was telling everybody, but nobody paid attention.

So, suck it up you “Buttercup” taxpayers. Democracy only works when people pay attention to what their elected leaders are doing. Don’t pay attention and this is what you get. No “boo-hooing” to me is allowed.

All this leads to the Second Federal lawsuit; Murphy v. Cleveland County and the DSS. For retaliation and race discrimination. And this case has its basis in a previous Federal Lawsuit against the Commissioners, Murphy v. The Commissioners and DSS, where the Commissioners paid off to keep the scandal quiet and those that testified under oath that they committed unconstitutional acts because their Supervisors told them to do it. The Commissioners paid it off, but nobody was disciplined because of their unlawful acts.

So, what does DSS and the Commissioners do? They commit more unconstitutional acts and get themselves sued a second time.

But, hey! The Commissioners will have plenty of money when their big new tax increases show up in our tax bills and we have to pay or the Commissioners will foreclose on our property for the tax bill. And then turn around and sell the property cheap to some of their buddies.

And blame ME for telling YOU that the Commissioners, the DSS, the Schools and CCC are wasting YOUR’s and my tax dollars. And lying about it.

PS: Updates on the Lawsuits against the schools, CCC and the City of Shelby will be out soon.

**New School Board Majority
Disrespects Danny Blanton and
Public!!! Won't "Second"
Blanton's Motion to Restart
schools immediately, won't
pick up on Blanton's
notifications of facility
problems, won't even include
Blanton's comments (or Public
comments) in official school
board meeting records!!!
Report, comments, arguendo
and gossip by Robert A.
Williams**

Editor's Note: I apologize to all my readers for my struggle with finding the proper "nickname" for the new School Board Chairman, Robert Queen. First, I tried "god" with a little "g". That just didn't seem right. In discussions with some other we came up with "Baby Jesus." That didn't seem just right either. My thoughts were that maybe I should try "Dictator" Or even "Little Hitler" since that seemed to be Queens MO. Then, when the "Devil Worshipers" sent me their Press Release and threatening letter regarding Burns High School, Hope Community Church and Pastor Jeremy Peeler; it

came to me that there was nothing "Godly" about Chairman Queens shenanigans on the School Board. Indeed, it is the other way around. The name "Lucifer" came to mind. "Luke" got short came to mind. So. School Board Chairman Robert "Luke" Queen seems the most appropriate. Just like Phillip "Poodle" Glover is appropriate since Poodle is in no position to "Bully" anymore.

Read on folks. I believe you will also come to understand why "Luke" Queen is no friend to Cleveland County Schools and especially is no friend to education or the taxpayers.

Cleveland County Schools School Board Member Danny Blanton has more experience on the School Board as all five of the newly elected Republicans, all put together, times 10. Blanton's vote was the deciding 5-4 vote to install Robert "Luke" Queen as Chairman of the School Board and Joel Shores as Vice Chairman. Blanton's vote has also allowed Luke Queen to set up his secret committees and run roughshod over state law and the three Democrats and one RINO on the School Board. Blanton's vote has allowed Luke to hire Tim Moore's lawyer buddy to be hired as the School Board Attorney and give Luke bad legal advice so Luke can always claim "Immunity" if the School Board and himself are sued in a Court of Law.

Actually, Danny Blanton is the most powerful school board member on the CCS School Board as his vote could swing the vote one way or the other in every contested vote. And there have been plenty of contested 5-4 votes.

Yet, as of the February 22, 2021 School Board meeting the NEW School Board Republicans have turned their backs on Danny Blanton and shut him down. Just like all the Old School Boards under Chairmen Jack Hamrick, Poodle Glover and Shearra Miller. I was probably the first to notice this since the December 14, 2020 School Board meeting when the new Republicans were all sworn in and Luke Queen was elected by a 5-4 vote over Poodle Glover as Chairman.

The shutting down of Danny Blanton by Luke Queen occurred just like the public has been illegally shut down. Little by little, until complete. Nobody but Luke controls the School Board and gets to say how things are going to be done. No school Board member, no member of the public gets a say. Except for me, of Course. And I only get my say here on my own website. Let me recount how this was done.

Luke's school board committees. These School Board Committees, instead of taking advantage of public volunteers with expert credentials, are secret and closed. They are basically illegal but so far successful attempts to circumvent "Open Meeting Laws" and make secret decisions. With Luke making the decisions. I have attended, uninvited and unwelcome, two school board Committee Meetings just to see what transpired. The Finance Committee Meeting and the Operations Committee meetings. I took copious notes and each meeting and when the Committee Reports were given at School Board meetings, and then written up in phony Minutes for Meetings, the reports are false and the Meeting Minutes are falser. And getting worse. For example, in the school board meeting minutes, that included the Finance Committee report, I was listed as a person in attendance. When I later attended the Operations Committee, the school board meeting minutes that reported that Committee meeting purposely left my name off of the attendance list. Lots of other thins were left off too. Like who is the architects for the new Auditoriums at Burns and Crest High Schools. Actually, nothing was discussed about the new auditoriums in the Operations Committee meeting. Nothing about the cost, how big, a construction schedule or anything else. Same with the Finance Committee. No discussion of where the Auditorium money was going to come from and how much taxpayer funding is requires.

Public Participation: Since the December 14, 2020 School Board Meeting where Luke and the other Republicans were sworn in, there has always been people, lots of people signed up for

Public Participation. And the Minutes of the Meetings included the speaker's names and briefly what they spoke about-although some discussion was purposely left out. At the February 8, 2021 School Board Meeting, there were seven speakers and the Minutes of the February 8th, 2021 School Board meeting listed the names of all seven speakers and recorded ZERO descriptions on what any of the Speakers said. At the February 22, 2021 School Board Meeting ZERO people signed up for Public Participation. And why should they? If the School Board will not even record what the speakers say, it is 100% obvious that the school board will not do anything about anything. Just like the handicapped autistic boy that was criminally attacked at North Shelby School. The School Board has done nothing except cover-up. I will offer this public service, the same public service that I use myself; If anybody wants to comment about anything about Cleveland County Schools, write it up and send to me. I will publish it to the Public as is and make sure that it is sent to the School Board. That way there will be a record that the School Board received the information. It is most likely the School Board will ignore that too. But, if a lawsuit comes out against the School Board, they cannot claim ignorance about the report.

Now, let's discuss in particular how Luke Queen and the others are shutting down School Board Member Danny Blanton at School Board meetings.

Over the years Danny Blanton has often reported things to the school board that the school board apparently did not care to hear.

1 Danny Blanton, during a school board meeting, brought information to the new school board that he had been refused admittance at the New North Shelby School to inspect some areas of the facilities. Blanton is on the Operations Committee. Yet Chairman Luke, or anybody else (HINT-Superintendent Stephen Fisher) took no action to take disciplinary action against North Shelby School personnel for

refusing to allow a duly elected school board member on site to perform his school board duties. Also, this report by Blanton does not show up on any school board meeting minutes.

2 Danny Blanton visited Casar Elementary School and reported, with pictures and slides, to the School Board that certain HVAC ductwork was installed using wooden two by fours to prop them up. I was sitting in the audience and immediately realized what the problem was. But I refuse to tell the school board or the Operations Committee what the problems are (Multiple Problems-Including child safety) because they won't let me speak or even admit that I attended their meeting. I actually did not, and was not invited to inspect the problem myself. Besides, this article will be sent to the School board and they can send their paid consultants out to research the problems. And when I find out what was done, then I will write about it. Also, the Minutes of the School Board minutes do not include Blanton's presentation. So, I must be dreaming, right? RIGHT!! Especially if a child is injured and the School Board claims they didn't know anything about this problem.

3 Danny Blanton, at the February 22, School Board meeting made a motion to restart schools, K-5, immediately. NO School Board member, Republican or Democrat seconded the motion. Although Vice Chairman Joel Shores later made the motion to restart schools K-4, they K-5 on a staggered basis. Which passed 7-2.

4 Danny Blanton, at the February 22, 2021 School Board meeting, reminded the School Board that a major insurance benefit (group rates) had previously been allowed to drop in 2017 because of negligence in the HR Department and that negligence had been repeated this past December although 85 of the 100 North Carolina County Schools have these same employee benefits that CCS had allowed to drop. Neither Luke nor any other school board member showed any interest in CCS employee benefits that could save certain classes of employees \$850 per month. Or even wanted to hear about it anymore.

5 Danny Blanton, during Superintendent Fisher's long periods of "whining" about all the logistical planning needed to restart schools was continuing to delay restarting schools,

made the comment that this “planning” should have been finished this past November. (Or months before November.) Chairman Luke Queen cut Blanton off saying “that’s off topic” when that is certainly the topic of the day all across North Carolina and All across the USA. Especially since Fisher’s whining against school restart was because of it being hard to arrange bus routes and other such issues. Later a school board member asked School Bus Manager David Pless directly, bypassing Fisher, if Pless could support the restart schedule? Pless replied that he “could support anything the School Board instructed him to do.” Clearly indicating that there were two levels of incompetent school administration management, assistant Superintendent Jennifer Wampler and Superintendent Stephen Fisher between Pless (and all school Maintenance and support functions) and the School Board. **NO, I should say three levels of incompetence, Wampler, Fisher and Luke Queen.** No wonder Luke shut down Blanton’s very astute judgement of the situation.

So, just like the old school boards learned the hard way that Danny Blanton’s common-sense approach to running Cleveland County Schools is what the voters in Cleveland County expected in the 2020 School Board Elections. Only to get the likes of Robert “Luke” Queen. Of course, Blanton could teach Luke and the other Republicans a good lesson by every once in a while, voting against Luke in one of those 5-4 decisions. Maybe even in a vote to dethrone Luke Queen from his chairmanship because of all his crooked wheeling and dealings.