

Catawba Casino Paying Off \$40 Million to 13 Crooked “Partners”???

Gossip and Rumor Report by Robert A

NC Sharp is a gambling news organization with a website that provides news to the certain segments of the public. If you “Google” NC Sharp, like Robert A did, you won’t find anything. But if you go to this link below:

<https://www.ncsharp.com/news/progress-catawba-two-kings-casino-north-carolina/>

You will find an article published by NC Sharp titled Catawba Two Kings Casino Project Moves Forward in North Carolina. This article was last updated February 29, 2024. Which is less than two weeks ago.

What Robert A found interesting in this NC Sharp article were the statements of the New Catawba Indian Chief, Brian Harris, decrying North Carolina lawmakers for trying to negotiate casino expansion in North Carolina into the State Budget. Also, there were statements that doubling the size of the Dixon School Road Bridge and expanding the sewer lines to the Casino were key projects to the Casino full operations. Robert A found this interesting because he personally attended a standing room only meeting at the Patrick Center in Kings Mountain where the sewer expansion was presented to the

public. According to Kings Mountain Officials, the Sewer lines were for a new Treatment plant as well as hooking on the Grover Sewer lines to this new system. KM Officials flatly denied that the new sewer lines were going to be used by the Catawba Casino. Also, the Sewer Project projected cost was \$39 Million\$ and the County was to pay for it. But when the sewer project bids came in the bids were way too high and such plans were allegedly scuttled by the KM Officials. Several things about this sewer line expansion are certain:

- The KM Officials are not afraid to lie to their citizens.
- Perhaps the action of Rogue Republican Dave Allen, a KM Official who ran for Tim Moore's seat in the NC House were sufficient to cause Mr. Allen's defeat last Tuesday.

Folks, now let's get to the unofficial reports about the Catawba Casino's new efforts to rid themselves of their crooked "Partners" that held up their Casino to Start with.

The \$125 Million Cash Settlement demanded by Skyboat Gaming/Wallace Cheeves was mentioned in that [NC Sharp](#) Article. But [Robert A](#) has NOT received any news, gossip or rumors about that.

[The Kings Mountain Equipment Companies](#) "20% Hook" into the Catawba Casino revenue was also mentioned. And [Robert A](#) HAS heard rumors and gossip about that.

But, before we get into the Kings Mountain Equipment Company, lets refresh your memory.

- Former Commissioner [Eddie Holbrook's](#) wife, who ran a

company selling "Putter Butter" somehow wound up with a share in the Kings Mountain Equipment Supply Company that would have brought in a **MILLION DOLLARS** per year in Casino Revenue. There has never been shoed a legitimate link from Mrs. Holbrook's company to any of the Casino Operations. **Robert A** personally believes that Mrs. Holbrook was the "front" for illegal payoffs from the Catawba Casino to Commissioner Eddie Holbrook that were more in the form of **Bribes** than anything else.

- Former County Manager David Dear also was found to have also owned illicit and unethical shares of Kings Mountain Equipment Supply Company that were also worth about a Million Dollars a year in Casino Payoffs (Bribes)

Now, sources have informed **Robert A** that the Catawbas have agreed to pay \$40 Million\$ to lump-sum pay-off the Kings Mountain Equipment Supply 'Companies shareholders, 13 of them, in order to satisfy the Federal Requirements for the Catawba Casino to obtain full operating licenses from the Federal Government-Bureau of Indian Affairs.

So, folks, Eddie Holbrook and David Dear seem to be on the receiving end of over \$3 Million Dollars each, along with eleven others, for their almost certain criminal acts. Bribery, Collusion, and Conspiracy immediately comes to mind. Who says CRIME DOESN'T PAY right here in Cleveland County!!!!???

Editor's Note: Where was Commissioner Johnny Hutchins during all this criminal activity??? Bribes and payoffs??? And such!!! That will be a question for another day!!! Along with whether or not all the jobs Johnny Hutchins claims he brought

to Cleveland County were actually filled with illegals?
Instead of Cleveland County citizens?