

**ABSTRACT OF VOTES, CAST IN THE SPECIAL ELECTION, ON TUESDAY JANUARY 23, 2007, IN THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND, COUNTY OF CRAVEN, NORTH CAROLINA, AT THE PLACE APPOINTED BY LAW FOR HOLDING ELECTIONS IN SAID TOWN AND COUNTY.**

**Ballot Question: Town of River Bend  
Special Election**

Shall the following petition to change the Town Code be approved?  
Town Code of River Bend, Chapter 13, Section 3, Rates, 3-1 Rate Hearing. Periodic rate increases shall use the N.C. Public Utilities Commission format and in addition shall include all funds balances. Advertisement are to be at least 6"x3.75", and shall be placed 30 days and 7 days before the hearing. The hearing shall be held separately from the Budget Hearing and held at least 30 days before the budget hearing. The complete rate documentation shall be presented both orally and in writing at least 30 days before the hearing. Chapter 13 , Section 5, Cost Accounting, 5-3 Sharing of General Administrative Costs. If exception is taken to allocated costs at any rate hearing where the amount seems excessive (by greater than 20%) an outside and independent auditor be retained to audit the allocation of shared personnel and other costs between the General and Enterprise Funds.

Yes	No	
207	411	Precinct Votes
2	6	Absentee Votes
0	0	Provisional Ballots
<b>209</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>

The Craven County Board of Elections having opened, canvassed, and judicially determined the original returns of the Special Election held in Craven County, held as above stated, do hereby certify that the above is a true abstract hereof, and contains the number of legal ballots cast.

This 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.

Willard Atkins

Mr. Ray Wood

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