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2020 Candidate Questionnaire County Elections

Do you have any ideas or a plan to help with the current negative economic results of the pandemic and how would you implement?

I called for the current Board of Commissioners to suspend 1% of the county sales tax for a period of 6 months. Sales tax is one of the most significant portions of a resident's tax obligation. While each transaction might result in small savings, over time, this targeted relief adds up to substantial savings for the consumer. I also think that the current restrictions placed on businesses are unevenly applied and do not consider the science of prevention. We should allow businesses and residents to get back to living life and conducting the transactions that are the lifeblood of revenue. Citizens should be allowed to make decisions on what establishments they want to frequent based on information provided by local health officials. At the same time, businesses should implement appropriate safety measures to make customers feel comfortable and want to visit their establishment.

If elected, how would you resolve any water issues (i.e. Gen X) or future water contamination in your County? How do you safe guard clean water?

Hoke county is fortunately unaffected by the Gen X pollution found in neighboring Cumberland county. As a Commissioner, I will ensure adequate funding to continually monitor our treated water and services to assist rural residents in monitoring their water supply. As for responding to an identified contamination, I would work with our State and Federal Representatives to leverage existing emergency assistance funds to resolve the issue quickly. Also, ensuring those responsible for negligent actions are accountable under the law.

Hoke county is and has been a rapidly growing county. Our current Board of Commissioners has failed to provide adequate oversight of the zoning board when it comes to the development of our public water system. We have areas that are zoned Commercial and allowed to install septic systems. At the same time, the county water supply runs along the other side of the road. As a Commissioner, I will be closely involved in planning to ensure that our utilities are developed to support the commercial and industrial growth coming to Hoke county.

I have spoken with Congressman Dan Bishop and received a commitment that he and his staff will work with Hoke county to gain access to rural development funds at the Federal level. Together we will bring the needed infrastructure to Hoke county that will attract businesses and industries that need mature services to operate.

As REALTORS® become more engaged in our communities, how do you propose to improve communication to be a part of the conversation instead of REALTORS® being *reactive* to issues that harm homeownership and private property rights?

As a Realtor and member of the Longleaf Pine Realtors Association, I am familiar with the issues we face when assisting our clients in buying and selling real estate.

As I spoke to previously, I intend to provide oversight in the planning and zoning process for Hoke county. We could benefit from a volunteer advisory council consisting of residents, agents, business owners, and developers that can discuss current and potential future concerns. The more the community stakeholders are involved in the process, the less likely we are to run into issues that affect the development of the County.



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| Candidates Full Name: | Christopher W. Holland Candidate for Hoke County Commissioner |
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| Current Occupation Position: | Retired Senior NCO (Army) DOD Contractor, Real Estate Agent |
| Previously Elected/Appointed Position(s): | N/A |
| Community Involvement: | Board member Open Door Soup Kitchen |
| Community Endorsements: | Hoke County Sheriff |
| Do You Have an Active Campaign Account? | Working on it, will update next week |
| Do You Accept PAC Checks? | Yes |

Thank you for taking the time to fill out our questionnaire. Questionnaire will be posted for our members to read on our website. www.longleafpinerealtors.com



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Dear Candidate,

As the November elections approach, we would like for you to fill out a questionnaire for the real estate industry. Longleaf Pine REALTORS® Association has over 1,900 members regionally. Our members like to stay informed on candidates' viewpoints and they like to go to the polls with a smart decision.

Can you take the time to fill out our questionnaire? We will post all answers on our Association website. It will also help our RPAC Committee (REALTOR® Political Action Committee) make a decision on candidate funding.

Thank you for running for office. Good luck with your campaign.

There are several ways to turn in your questionnaire.

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