

# ★ Landis Board of Aldermen ★

(Choose Two)

## On the issues...

Do you think the spending on various projects, i.e. water/sewer improvements, is justified. Why or why not?

Do you support passage of the water/sewer bond referendum? How much would conceive raising a water/sewer rates to pay off the bond?

What tools do you think will help Landis grow and meet future challenges?

Do you think more could be done at the local level regarding immigration? What do you think could or should be done to combat illegal immigration locally?

### H.A. 'Tony' Hilton

**Age:** 60  
**Address:** 1930 S. Main St.  
**Education:** UNC-Chapel Hill, Pepperdine University.  
**Background:** Trinity Lutheran Church; former alderman; Rowan County risk manager; member Oasis Shrine, Rowan Shrine Club, Eureka Eastern Star; wife, Christine, two children.  
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### Roger D. Safrit

**Age:** 55  
**Address:** 619 N. Main St.  
**Education:** Rowan County schools  
**Background:** Master blacksmith and knife maker; United States Navy; wife, Karen; two children.  
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It's justifiable. We have a lot of old sewer and water pipes in need of repair. They should've been done years ago. We need that bond.

Definitely support it. I don't know how else we'll get more money. Can't say how much at this time. I don't know the actual cost until we get there.

Encourage and attract new businesses. We'll have to put our heads together. We could talk to business people to see what would appeal to them.

This country was built on immigration. I don't begrudge anyone becoming a U.S. citizen. I know they want a better life, but we have processes to get that better life.

### Charles J. 'CJ' Nickelson Jr.

**Age:** 51  
**Address:** 609 W. Mill St.  
**Education:** Northwest Cabarrus High, N.C. Justice Academy  
**Background:** Officer with N.C. Dept. of Correction; wife, Delane; three children and three grandchildren.  
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Not until you look at it in depth. See if it's going to interfere with the welfare of the people. Landis is in financial difficulties as we speak.

No. For various reasons, he said.

Cut unnecessary spending. Don't go out and buy a \$150,000 house and burn it down. It's the most foolish thing anybody could've done much less a town.

Don't think anything can be done locally. That's why we have border patrol. But we could monitor, check and follow up.

### Ernest Dean Beck

**Age:** 62  
**Address:** 540 Kimball Road  
**Education:** A.L. Brown High, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College.  
**Background:** Former alderman and chairman Rowan Republican Party; currently a Landis Police captain; Central Baptist Church; wife, Gail; two children, five grandchildren.  
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Yes it is because its mandated. The bonds will give us a lower interest rate and available for grants for the town.

I do because it's got to be done one way or another. It will cost the citizens of Landis a lot depending on how much grant assistance we get.

New businesses and we have two large developments which will increase property tax revenue. There is the possibility of businesses on the southern end of town with Castle & Cooke.

Not without state legislators giving assistance and more power to local government. There is no process in place for small agencies like Landis Police Department to do anything.

### George Lee Pless

**Age:** 80  
**Address:** 321 W. 6th St.  
**Education:** Landis High, Evans Business College, American Institute of Banking.  
**Background:** Former Landis Lions Club member; Trinity Lutheran Church, ret. Dominion Yarn Corp., F&M Bank, Central Motor Lines; wife, Doris; two children.  
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Yes, the system's old and the pipes needs to be replaced. It should've been done before now. If the bonds pass, we'll get to borrow money at lower interest rate.

Yes, they have to increase some there's no question about that. We would use the revenue from water and sewer to pay off the bonds.

More revenue. We've not created more revenue. Look at new businesses. There are a couple of business properties for sale. Promote the town. New subdivisions will eventually bring revenue.

Yes, it's a very difficult situation. Talk to state, national representatives. We have to speak out. It's not fair to the people who are here legally.

### Tony B. Corriher

**Age:** 61  
**Address:** 103 W. Limits St.  
**Education:** Mitchell Junior College, Appalachian State University.  
**Background:** President, Landis Plumbing Supply; 991st Army Reserves; China Grove fire dept.; Landis Baptist Church; former alderman; wife, Kathy, two children.  
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We have to stay viable. The system has to be maintained. We are reaping what we sowed. Neglect costs in the long run.

Whatever has to be done, has to be done. We have to bite the bullet.

Let's not hide our heads in the sand. Economic development surrounds our community and our area. Also being business friendly.

Lobbying our representatives, prod them to consider rules and laws. We all have to go through the voting process. More diligently petition our local officials.

### William P. 'Will' Beaver

**Age:** 80  
**Address:** 500 S. Main St.  
**Education:** Landis High.  
**Background:** U.S. Army; wife, Bonnie; two children; First Reformed Church; Scottish Rite member; Eureka Masonic Lodge; Oasis Shriners.  
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Yes. We need it very badly. The bond money will be used to replace 50 year old pipes. Everything we've spent money on has been for the good of citizens.

We need that water bond issue. It's best for people in the town. The board talked about it, but if we don't pass the bonds rates will go even higher.

I believe in annexation. The town has to grow. Keeping the tax rate and water and sewer rates as low as we can. New subdivisions will bring in tax dollars.

No. It should come from the state and federal level.