



*the* Catawba Nation

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### Announcement of Catawba Nation Preliminary Election Results

**ROCK HILL, SC-** The Catawba Nation held elections for 5 Executive Committee seats on Saturday July 29, 2023. The election was held in accordance with the tribe's Election Ordinance. Voting took place at the tribe's Longhouse located on their tribal lands in York County, SC between the hours of 7 am and 7 pm or by absentee ballot. Vote counting happened immediately following the closing of the polls.

The following results are preliminary based on the initial counting. There is a short window of time for challenges to the results and after that time is completed, the new officers will be officially sworn into office.

Chief- Winner: Brian Harris

Brian Harris	Total Votes: 457
Jason Harris	Total Votes: 365

Assistant Chief- Winner: Patricia Leach

Gerald Beck Jr.	Total Votes: 309
Monty Branham	Total Votes: 177
Patricia Leach	Total Votes: 333

Secretary/Treasurer- Winner: Roderick Beck

Johnnie Ayers	Total Votes: 143
Roderick Beck	Total Votes: 231
Thomas Cabaniss	Total Votes: 224
Vivian Garland	Total Votes: 133
Aaron Wurdemann	Total Votes: 82

Committee Member At-Large Winners: Connie Wade and Roo George-Warren

Dewey Adams	Total Votes: 88
Dennis Ayers	Total Votes: 76
Jonathan Brown	Total Votes: 142
Donna Brown Bruce	Total Votes: 123
Quinlan Canty	Total Votes: 212
Timothy Dean Canty	Total Votes: 113
Roo George-Warren	Total Votes: 303



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Jason Rogers  
Connie Wade  
John Williford

Total Votes: 66  
Total Votes: 322  
Total Votes: 154

The **Catawba Nation** is the only federally recognized native Nation in South Carolina with trust lands in North and South Carolina. The Nation's government headquarters is located in Rock Hill, SC. The Nation has existed on its Aboriginal lands in the Piedmont area of NC, SC, and Virginia along the banks of the Catawba river since time immemorial with artifacts dating back at least 6,000 years. To learn more about the history, culture, and current government services of the Catawba Nation, please visit [catawba.com](http://catawba.com).