

## **Rick Caporale (R)**

District 8 (Hilton Head Island/Bluffton)

Term Expires December 2018



Mr. Caporale was born in New Haven, CT, and holds a Bachelor's degree in English from the University of New Haven, a Master's degree in English and an Ed.S. in Higher Education from the University of Iowa. He taught at several New England colleges, including Bunker Hill Community College in Boston and Saint Anselm College in New Hampshire, and then moved to Charleston, where he began a sales career. In 1994, he was elected to the Beaufort County Board of Education, where he served three terms. He retired from Hargray Communications in 2004 as sales manager and later worked for CenturyLink and for Hilton Head Regional Habitat for Humanity. He was elected to Beaufort County Council in 2006 and is now serving his second term.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Community Services - Vice Chairman
- Finance - Member
- Natural Resources - Member
- Public Facilities - Member

### **Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018
- 2011 - 2014
- 2007 - 2010

## **Michael E. Covert**

District 7 (Buckwalter in Bluffton)  
Term Expires December 2020



Michael Covert is originally from Virginia and has made his home in Beaufort County since 1996; he and his wife Theresa, married in 2009, reside in Bluffton. He has 4 daughters, 3 that have “flown the nest” and the youngest is away at college. He also loves being “Pop-Pop” to his grandchildren. Covert is President & Managing Member of Covert Aire, LLC. He has been involved in the community as Past President of the Bluffton Rotary Club; Past Board Member of the GBCC; a member of the HVAC Advisory Committee for TCL; Past President of McCracken Middle SIC; Past member of the Beaufort County Capital Improvements Sales Tax Commission and supporter of Don Ryan Center for Innovation, American Heart Association, Community Foundation of the Lowcountry, Backpack Buddies, Children’s Center of HHI, HELP of Beaufort, Bluffton Self Help, and Volunteers in Medicine Clinic Bluffton and many other charities and civic organizations. He was a sponsor of the ABC-TV Extreme Home Makeover in 2014.

Most recently, he began two local efforts (4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Drive To End Hunger & Operation Warm Up) through his business involving both employees, clients and vendors.

Mike enjoys spending time with his 6 grandchildren, travel, golf, and cooking adventures. He is a former NASCAR Announcer on Regional and National radio networks and was named 2001 National Short Track Magazine Announcer of the Year. He currently sponsors the Beaufort County High School Football on WHHI TV and serves as one of the TV commentators at the featured game of the week throughout Beaufort County. The game is a live broadcast, with Mike providing interviews to coaches, players and rallying students to have fun.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Finance - Vice Chairman
- Community Services - Member
- Governmental - Member
- Public Facilities - Member
- Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Parks and Leisure Service Board Liaison
- USC-Beaufort Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2017 - 2020

## **Gerald Dawson (D)**

District 1 (Sheldon / Dale / Lobeco / Burton)  
Term Expires December 2020



Mr. Dawson is a native of Beaufort County and received his education in Beaufort County schools. He was a paramedic with Beaufort County EMS, a Postal Letter Carrier (retired) and is an Associate Minister of Mount Carmel Baptist Church of Dale, South Carolina. He has served as PTO President of James J. Davis Elementary School, an Instructor with Parris Island Ministries Campus Crusade for Christ and a Member of the Governor's Comprehensive Strategies for Prevention (G-CAP).

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Governmental - Chairman
- Executive - Member
- Finance - Member
- Natural Resources - Member
- Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Voters Registration and Elections Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2017 - 2020
- 2013 - 2016
- 2009 - 2012

## **Brian E. Flewelling (R)**

District 5 (Okatie / Burton / Shell Point)

Term Expires December 2020



Mr. Flewelling is a native of Corinth, New York. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps at age 17, and served ten years on active duty and two years in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. Mr. Flewelling and his wife Angel have one son. They have been actively involved with the Child Abuse Prevention Association for over 20 years, having been relief houseparents at the Open Arms Shelter and foster parents for many years. He has been active in two Lions Clubs, the Exchange Club of Beaufort, Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club, and St. Peter's Catholic Church. Mr. Flewelling owns Advantage Title Abstracting Company. He was a member and Chairman of the City of Beaufort Zoning Board of Appeals, and a member and Vice Chairman of the Beaufort County Planning Commission.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Natural Resources - Chairman
- Executive - Member
- Finance - Member
- Governmental - Member
- Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Beaufort/Jasper Water and Sewer Authority Liaison
- City of Beaufort Liaison
- Northern Beaufort County Regional Plan Implementation Steering Committee Member
- South Carolina Military Base Task Force Member

### **Term of Office:**

- 2017 - 2020
- 2013 - 2016
- 2009 - 2012

## **York Glover, Sr. (D)**

District 3 (Beaufort / Lady's Island / St. Helena Island/Parris Island)  
Term Expires December 2020

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York Leon Glover, Sr. graduated from St. Helena High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from North Carolina A&T and a Master of Arts Degree in Education from Clemson University. He retired from Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service after 35 years of service. He has served on various boards and commissions in the community and across the state of South Carolina. Currently he serves as a member on the following boards: Beaufort County First Steps Partnership Board, Beaufort/Jasper/Hampton Comprehensive Health Inc., Carolina Hospice, and as a deacon and clerk at Bethesda Christian Fellowship. York is married to Mildred Collins Glover and is the proud father of Yonika, York, Jr., D’Juan, Angelie and uncle to Leslie.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Public Facilities - Vice Chairman
- Community Services - Member
- Governmental - Member
- Natural Resources - Member
- Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Lowcountry Area Transportation Study Committee Member

### **Term of Office:**

- 2017 - 2020

## **Alice G. Howard (P)**

District 4 (Beaufort / Town of Port Royal / Shell Point/Parris Island)  
Term Expires December 2018



Alice G. Howard and her husband moved to Beaufort County in 1991. They have a daughter who teaches at Lady's Island Elementary School and attended public schools in Beaufort County. Mrs. Howard has more than 30 years of experience as a community liaison working with environmental, natural resources, public administration, and regional planning issues. She retired from Beaufort Marine Corps Air Station, where she first served as the Natural Resources and Environmental Director and later the Community Plans and Liaison Officer. Her volunteerism includes leadership positions with the Rotary Club of the Lowcountry, Keep Beaufort Beautiful Board and school PTSOs. She has also served as chairman of the City of Beaufort Zoning Board of Appeals and as a member of the Metro Planning Commission. Mrs. Howard is a member of Carteret Street United Methodist Church and a member of Leadership Beaufort Class 1996. She has a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Georgia; a Bachelor of Science in Community Planning and Development, *magna cum laude*, from Columbus College; and an Associate Arts degree from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Community Services - Chairman
- Executive - Member
- Natural Resources - Member
- Public Facilities - Member
- Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- County Transportation Committee Liaison
- Northern Beaufort County Regional Plan Implementation Steering Committee Member
- Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Board Liaison
- Stormwater Management Utility Board Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018

## **Stewart H. Rodman (R)**

District 11 (Hilton Head Island)

Term Expires December 2018



Mr. Rodman was a founding partner in a private investment firm. Earlier he held manufacturing, finance and general management positions with several major corporations. Currently, Stu holds leadership positions on the boards of several national Christian ministries. In 2003, Stu served as Commissioner on the Governor's Commission on Management, Accountability and Performance. In 2008, Stu served on the State Superintendent of Education's Task Force on School Funding. He has served on the Beaufort County Board of Education. Stu has a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Cornell and an MBA from Harvard. He served as a Lieutenant in the US Army and is an Elder in the Presbyterian Church. Stu and Nina, his wife of 44 years, have two married children and reside in Sea Pines on Hilton Head Island.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Public Facilities - Chairman
- Executive - Member
- Finance - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Town of Hilton Head Island Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018
- 2011 - 2014
- 2007 - 2010

**D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman (R)**

District 2 (MCAS / Beaufort / Lady's Island / Fripp Island)  
Term Expires December 2018



Mr. Sommerville is a Duke University graduate. His background is in labor relations, where he is a management consultant. He is married with two young daughters, and he is a U. S. Army veteran. A Beaufort native, he is an active church member of St. Helena's Episcopal Church.

**Liaison / Membership:**

- Beaufort Memorial Hospital Board Liaison
- Town of Yemassee Liaison

**Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018
- 2011 - 2014
- 2007 - 2010



## **Steven G. Fobes (R)**

District 10 (Hilton Head Island)  
Term Expires December 2018



Mr. Fobes is a native of Iowa and resided in Colorado before retiring to Hilton Head Island in 2010. He is a graduate of the University of Iowa and the University of Denver College of Law. Besides his law background he is a retired bank executive. Prior to retirement he served on many boards and commissions, including six years as the president of a board of education. He and his wife, Penny, have two adult children.

### **Committee Assignments:**

Governmental - Vice Chairman

- Community Services - Member
- Finance - Member
- Natural Resources - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Airports Board Liaison
- Library Board Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018
- 2011 - 2014 (filling an unexpired term, effective October 2013)

## **Jerry W. Stewart, Vice Chairman (R)**

District 6 (Sun City / Okatie)  
Term Expires December 2018



Mr. Stewart has a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from the University of Idaho, with post-doctoral studies at Washington University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has directed scientific programs at both public and private research facilities as well as co-founded and served for eighteen years as the Chief Executive of a technology-oriented, international publicly-traded corporation. For the past six years he has been and continues to be the principal in Cole Hill Associates, providing technical and financial management assistance to businesses and working with state and local governments to promote business, technology development and growth. Most recently Mr. Stewart consulted with New Hampshire's Office of Energy and Planning on the use of alternative energy sources for economic development.

Mr. Stewart has served as a Board Member for both public and private businesses; he is former Assistant Professor of Chemistry at West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV; Chief of Supporting Research at the U.S. Dept. of Energy's Morgantown Energy Technology Center; and Chairman, CEO of Industrial Technologies, Inc, Milford, CT. He has served on the Bluffton Economic Development Committee, Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board, Hilton Head Island/Bluffton's Government Affairs Committee, Sun City's Government and Business Affairs Committee, as well as a member of the Greater Island Committee.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Executive - Chairman
- Finance - Chairman
- Governmental - Member
- Public Facilities - Member

### **Liaison / Membership:**

- Jasper County Council / City of Hardeeville Liaison
- Technical College of the Lowcountry Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018
- 2011 - 2014
- 2007 - 2010

## **Roberts "Tabor" Vaux, Jr. (R)**

District 9 (Bluffton / Pritchardville / Daufuskie Island)  
Term Expires December 2018



Roberts "Tabor" Vaux is a Bluffton native, raised in Beaufort County Public Schools. He went on to graduate from the Citadel and Charleston School of Law. After graduating from law school, Mr. Vaux worked as an Assistant Solicitor at the 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office prosecuting cases in Beaufort, Jasper, Hampton and Allendale counties. He now practices law at the Vaux & Marscher Law Firm. Mr. Vaux is a South Carolina constable, prosecutor for the Town of Port Royal, a member of the Bluffton Rotary Club and a member of the Church of the Cross in Bluffton. Mr. Vaux is married to Erin Vaux, an Assistant Solicitor in Jasper County. In his spare time Mr. Vaux loves to hunt and fish.

### **Committee Assignments:**

- Natural Resources - Vice Chairman
- Community Services - Member
- Governmental - Member
- Public Facilities - Member

### **District Liaison:**

- Town of Bluffton Liaison

### **Term of Office:**

- 2015 - 2018
- 2011 - 2014 (filling an unexpired term, effective February 2013)