

TOWN CHARTER

GRIFTON TOWN CHARTER

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Pursuant to G.S. §§ 160A-101 and 106A-102, the Charter of the Town of Grifton as set forth in Chapter 480 of the Private Laws of North Carolina, as amended, is hereby further amended to provide that the town shall operate under the council-manager form of government in accordance with G.S. Ch. 160A, Part 2 of Article 7 and any charter provisions not in conflict therewith.

CHARTER

An act to revise and consolidate the Charter of the Town of Grifton.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. [Charter Revision, Consolidation.]

The Charter of the Town of Grifton is hereby revised and consolidated as follows:

CHAPTER I INCORPORATION AND CORPORATE POWERS

Sec. 1-1. Incorporation and corporate powers.

The inhabitants of the Town of Grifton shall continue to be a body corporate and politic under the name of the “Town of Grifton.” Under that name they shall have all the powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities conferred and imposed on cities by the general law of North Carolina and by this Charter.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

CHAPTER II CORPORATE BOUNDARIES

Sec. 2-1. Town boundaries.

Until modified in accordance with law, the boundaries of the Town of Grifton are as follows:

Beginning at a point in the centerline of the main line of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad [CSX Transportation] on the southern side of Contentnea Creek in Lenoir County, said point being S 37-30 W along the centerline of the main line of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad 384 feet from the southern edge of the steel draw on said railroad bridge; thence from this beginning S 55-15 E 636 feet to a point; thence N 80-00 E 2,545 feet to a point; thence along a line N 30 E 80 feet to the south bank of Contentnea Creek and continuing along the south bank 2,060 feet in a south-southeasterly direction to a point on the southern line of the right-of-way of the transmission line to the Voice of America installation; thence N 23 E, cross Creek Road at a point 635 feet northwest of the western end of the bridge over Mill Branch, and continuing in the direction of N 23 E 3,000 feet, more or less, to a point in the centerline of the Grifton-Vanceboro Highway, N.C. Hwy. 118, where a ditch crosses said highway; thence with the centerline of said ditch N 37 W 495 feet to the southern right-of-way line of Wall Street, previously called "The Culture Road"; thence with the southern right-of-way of said road N 62 E 675 feet to a point; thence continuing with the right-of-way of said road N 62-12 E 802 feet to a point; thence N 71 E 855 feet to a point; thence crossing said road and with the eastern property line of Meadow Green Subdivision, Section 3 as recorded in Map Book 20 at pages 178 and 178-A in the Pitt County Registry N 11-48 W 837.7 feet to a point in a ditch; thence with the said ditch S 79-26 W 30 feet; thence with the Eastern line of Meadowgreen Development property and the western line of M.B. Hodges land N 14-11 W 818.6 feet to a point in the southern right-of-way of N.C.S.R. 1907; thence with the right-of-way line of N.C.S.R. 1907 N 81-39 E 1,672 feet to a point where the southern right-of-way line of N.C.S.R. 1907 and the eastern property line of Brassie Drive (if extended) intersect; thence with the eastern property line of said Brassie Drive N 8-36 W 359.1 feet to the corner of lots 36 and 35, Addition no. 5 of the Country Club Hills Subdivision; thence N 4-04 E 150 feet to the front corner of lots 34 and 35 in the aforesaid Subdivision; thence N 15-07 E 120 feet to the front corner of lots 33 and 34; thence N 25-47 E 110 feet to the westernmost corner of Lot 98; thence S 62-48 E 184.7 feet to the southernmost corner of Lot 98; thence with the eastern line of Addition 2 and the western line of Addition 3 N 27-12 E 1,700.0 feet to the westernmost corner of Lot 99, 5th Addition; thence S 62-48 E 228.1 feet to a point in the eastern property line of East Fairlane Drive; thence with the eastern property line of East Fairlane Drive N 27-12 E 160.0 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 14; thence N 82-12 E 182.0 feet to the rear corner of Lots 14 and 15 at Poplar Branch; thence up Poplar Branch N 12-12 E 217.7 feet to the easternmost corner of Country Club Hills Subdivision; thence with the northern line of Country Club Hills Subdivision N 85-43 W 1,720 feet to the northerwesternmost corner of the aforesaid Subdivision; thence with the western line of Addition 1 and the eastern line of the Grifton Golf and Country Club, Inc. property the following courses: S 20-12 W 528.3 feet; S 24-12 W 759.0 feet; S 35-42 W 528.0 feet; S 47-52 W 29.0 feet; S 1-48 E 55.0 feet; S 41-12 W 50.0 feet; S 7-42 W 81.0 feet; S 30-33 E 27.0 feet to the northeastern corner of Lot 12, Addition 4; thence S 72-17 W 666.9 feet to the rear corner of Lot 12, Addition 4; thence S 72-43 W 131.5 feet to a point in a ditch, the rear corner of lots 18 and 26; thence with the ditch and Mrs. Eleanor Gowers' line S 46-39 W 574.9 feet; thence S 43-33 W 265.0 feet to the rear corner of Lots 50 and 51; thence leaving said ditch S 57-03 W 1,806.22 feet to a point; thence N 35-07 W 844 feet to a point in the centerline of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad; thence with the centerline of said railroad in a southwesterly direction 940 feet to a point in said centerline; thence N 47 W 1,577.6 feet to a point in the eastern right-of-way line of the Grifton-Greenville Highway, N.C.S.R. 1939; thence with the right-of-way line of said N.C.S.R. 1939 N 21-36 E 1,012; thence N 14-19 E 590 feet to a point in the right-of-way of the aforesaid

Highway; thence crossing said Highway and with the property lines of Forest Acres Subdivision as follows: (1) S 85-35 W 2,705.5 feet to a point; (2) S 13-16 W 222.72 feet to a point; (3) S 36-26 W 221.84 feet to a point; (4) S 23-23 E 533.52 feet to a point; (5) N 86-35 E 211.1 feet to a point, a corner of the Harper property; thence with the Harper line S 7-25 E 634.0 feet to a point; thence S 10-38 E 389.25 feet to a point, a corner of the Koon property; thence with the Koon line S 3-25 E 150 feet to a point in the common line between the A.L. Patrick Estate and the McCotter Heirs property; thence with the common line between the Patrick Estate and the McCotter Heirs property S 86-35 W 668 feet to a point where said line is intersected by the souther line of a thirty foot wide road right-of-way that is 180 feet south of and parallel to the southern line of Queen Street; thence with the southern line of this thirty foot wide road S 43-15 E 1,180 feet to the eastern line of the A.L. Patrick Estate; thence S 59-22 W 2,660 feet to the northern bank of Contentnea Creek; thence across Contentnea Creek S 68 W 988 feet to a point in a ditch in Lenoir County; thence S 8 W 572 feet with the line of said ditch to a point that is 250 feet from the centerline of the Grifton-Hugo Highway, N.C.S.R. 1704; thence S 62-30 E 730 feet to a point in the centerline of the Grifton-Kinston Highway where a ditch meets said Highway; thence with the line of said ditch S. 32-30 E 580 feet to a point in the centerline of the main line of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad; thence N 37-30 E 488 feet to the point of beginning.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Cross-reference:

Annexations to the town, see Table following this Charter

CHAPTER III GOVERNING BODY

Sec. 3-1. Structure of governing body.

The governing body of the Town of Grifton shall continue to be the board of commissioners, consisting of five members, and the mayor.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Cross-reference:

Town Charter amended by ordinance from the Mayor-Council form of Government to the Council-Manager form in accordance with G.S. § 160A-101(9) and G.S. § 160A-147, see § 30.01 of this code

Sec. 3-2. Manner of election of governing body.

The qualified voters of the entire town shall elect the members of the board and the mayor.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 3-3. Term of office.

Members of the board and the mayor shall be elected to four-year terms. In 1975 and quadrennially thereafter, three members of the board shall be elected. In 1977 and quadrennially thereafter, two members of the board and mayor shall be elected. Newly elected board members shall fill the seats of those board members whose terms are expiring.
(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

***CHAPTER IV
ELECTIONS***

Sec. 4-1. Conduct of town elections.

Town elections shall be on a nonpartisan basis and the results determined by plurality, as provided by G.S. § 163-292.
(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

***CHAPTER V
ADMINISTRATION***

Sec. 5-1. Town attorney.

The board of commissioners shall select a town attorney who shall be an attorney at law licensed to engage in the practice of law in North Carolina and who need not be a resident of the town. The attorney shall serve, as requested by the board of commissioners, and shall receive compensation on an hourly rate basis set by the attorney.

Sec. 5-2. Appointments to boards and commissions.

The mayor shall, with the advice and consent of the board of commissioners, make appointments to and removals from boards or commissions authorized by general law or created by the board of commissioners.
(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

***CHAPTER VI
POLICE***

Sec. 6-1. Jurisdiction extended.

The jurisdiction of the police force of the town is hereby extended to include all territory outside and within one and one-half miles of the corporate limits, and all members of the police force shall have within such territory all rights, power, and authority invested in law-enforcement officers by statute or common law.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

CHAPTER VII STREET AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

Sec. 7-1. Improvements defined.

The term “improvement” as used herein includes grading, regrading, surfacing, resurfacing, widening, paving, repaving, acquisition of rights-of-way, and construction and reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs, gutters, streets, and street-drainage facilities.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 7-2. When petition unnecessary.

The board of commissioners may order street improvements and assess the cost thereof, exclusive of the costs incurred at street intersections, against the abutting property without the necessity of a petition upon the finding by the board as a fact that:

- (a) Such street or part thereof is unsafe for vehicular traffic and it is in the public interest to make such improvement, or
- (b) It is in the public interest to connect two streets or portions of a street already improved, or
- (c) It is in the public interest to widen a street, or part thereof, that is already improved. However, assessments for widening any street or portion of street without petition shall be limited to the cost of widening and otherwise improving such street in accordance with the street classification and improvement standards established by the town’s thoroughfare or major street plan for the particular street or part thereof to be widened and improved.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 7-3. Sidewalks; assessment of costs.

In addition to any authority that is now or may hereafter be granted by general law to the town for making sidewalk improvements, the board of commissioners may make or order to be made sidewalk improvements or repairs without petition according to standards and specifications of the town and assess the total cost thereof against the abutting property.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 7-4. Assessment; procedures.

In ordering street and sidewalk improvements without a petition and assessing the cost thereof under the authority of this Chapter, the board of commissioners shall comply with the procedure provided by G.S. Chapter 160A, Article 10, except those provisions relating to the petition of property owners and the sufficiency thereof.
(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 7-5. Effect of assessments.

The effect of the act of levying assessments under the authority of this Chapter shall for all purposes be the same as if the assessment were levied under authority of G.S. Chapter 160A, Article 10.
(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

***CHAPTER VIII
REGULATORY POWERS***

Sec. 8-1. Subdivisions; require installation of improvements.

In connection with subdivision or platting controls, the board of commissioners may require the improvement and grading of streets and the construction and installation of street pavements, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and water, sewer, surface-water drainage and other utility mains as a condition precedent to approval of the plat. The requirements may provide for tentative approval of the plat previous to such improvement and installation, but any such tentative approval shall not be entered on the plat, the board may accept a bond, in an amount and with surety and conditions satisfactory to it, providing for and securing to the town the actual construction and installation of the improvements and utilities within a period specified by the board and expressed in the bond. The town is empowered to enforce the bond by all appropriate legal and equitable remedies. Requirements adopted hereunder may be applied throughout the area over which the town is authorized by law to exercise platting or subdivision controls.
(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 8-2. Removal of offensive matter; charges a lien.

The city council [i.e., Board of Commissioners] may by ordinance establish a procedure whereby city forces may clean, cut, and remove any weeds, trash, refuse or other offensive matter from any property upon failure of the owner or occupant after 10 days' notice to do so. In such event, the

cost of such cleaning, cutting, and removal shall become a lien upon the particular property and may thereafter be collected either by suit in the name of the city or by foreclosure of the lien in the same manner and subject to the same rules, regulations, costs, and penalties as provided by law for the foreclosure of the lien on real property for ad valorem taxes, as provided in G.S. § 160A-193. (Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 8-3. Alternative condemnation procedures.

In exercising the power of eminent domain for any public purpose, if negotiations for the purchase of land or rights in land are unsuccessful the town may in its discretion use the procedures of Article 2 of Chapter 40 of the General Statutes or Article 9 of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes, or the procedures of any other general law, charter or local act applicable to the town. As contained in Article 9 of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes, all reference to “Board of Transportation” shall be deemed to mean “Town of Grifton”; all reference to the “Chairman of the Board of Transportation” or “Director of Highways” shall be deemed to mean “Mayor of the Town of Grifton”; all references to authority or persons or agencies connected therewith shall be deemed to refer to the Town of Grifton.

Statutory reference:

Article 2 of Chapter 40 of the General Statutes, cited in the preceding paragraph, has been repealed. Eminent domain statutes are currently contained in G.S. Chapter 40A.

Provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply with regard to properties owned by public service corporations as defined in G.S. § 160A-243(c) unless the exercise of such power of eminent domain is either consented to by the owner of the property to be acquired by the town, or otherwise first adjudicated after notice and a hearing that such acquisition will not prevent or unreasonably impair the continued devotion to the public use of such properties and the operation by such public service corporation.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Statutory reference:

The statute cited in the preceding paragraph has been repealed. A definition for “property” related to eminent domain is currently contained in G.S. 40A-2. “Public service corporation” is not defined in the eminent domain statutes.

**CHAPTER IX
CLAIMS AGAINST THE TOWN**

Sec. 9-1. Presentation of claims; suit upon claims.

(a) All claims or demands against the Town of Grifton arising in tort or in contract shall be presented to the board of commissioners in writing, signed by the claimant, his attorney or agent, within ninety days after the claim or demand is due or the cause of action accrues, and no suit or action shall be brought thereon within thirty days or after the expiration of twelve months from the time said

claim or demand is so presented. Unless the claim or demand is so presented within ninety days after the cause of action accrues, and unless suit is brought within twelve months thereafter, any action thereon is barred.

(b) No action shall be instituted against the town on account of damages to or compensation for real property taken or used by the town for any public purpose, or for the ejection of the town therefrom, or to remove a cloud upon the title thereof, unless, within two years after such alleged use, the owner, his executor, administrator, guardian, or next friend, shall have given notice in writing to the board of commissioners of the claims, stating in the notice the date that the alleged use commenced, a description of property alleged to have been used, and the amount of the damage or compensation claimed.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, if a complainant suffers from physical or mental incapacity that renders it impossible for him to give notice, his action shall not be barred if notice of claim is given by him or on his behalf within three years after the happening or the infliction of the injury complained of; or, if the minor suffers from physical or mental incapacity that renders it impossible for him to give notice, his action shall not be barred if notice of claim is given on his behalf within six months after termination of the incapacity, or within three years after the happening or the infliction of the injury complained of, whichever is the longest period. The town may at any time request the appointment of a next friend to represent any person having a potential claim against the town and known to be suffering from physical or mental incapacity. (Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Sec. 9-2. Settlement of claims.

The board of commissioners may authorize the town attorney to settle claims against the town for (1) personal injuries or damages to property when the amount involved does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained, including loss of time, medical expenses, and any other expense actually incurred and (2) the taking of small portions of private property which are needed for the rounding of corners at intersections of streets, when the amount involved in any such settlement does not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained. Settlement of a claim by the town attorney pursuant to this section shall constitute a complete release of the town from any and all damages sustained by the person involved in such settlement in any manner arising out of the accident, occasion, or taking complained of. (Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

CHAPTER X CHARTER AMENDMENTS

Sec. 10-1. Incorporation of amendments.

As soon as possible after the adjournment of each General Assembly, the town attorney shall present to the board of commissioners a summary of all local and general laws relating to the property,

affairs, and government of the Town of Grifton that were enacted by such General Assembly, whether or not amending in terms of this Charter. After considering the recommendations of the town attorney, the board may provide for incorporation of such laws into this Charter.

(Session Laws of 1975, Chapter 480)

Section 2. [Purpose of Act.]

The purpose of this act is to revise the Charter of the Town of Grifton and to consolidate herein certain acts concerning the property, affairs, and government of the town. It is intended to continue without interruption those provisions of prior acts which are consolidated into this act, so that all rights and liabilities that have accrued are preserved and may be enforced.

Section 3. [Affect of act on other laws.]

This act shall not be deemed to repeal, modify, nor in any manner to affect any of the following acts, portions of acts, or amendments thereto, whether or not such acts, portions of acts, or amendments are expressly set forth herein:

- (a) Any acts concerning the property, affairs, or government of public schools in the Town of Grifton;
- (b) Any acts validating, confirming, approving, or legalizing official proceedings, actions, contracts, or obligations of any kind.

Section 4. [Act repealed; rights, interests not affected.]

The following act, having served the purpose for which enacted, and having been consolidated into this act, is hereby repealed: Chapter 812, Session Laws 1969.

Statutory reference:

The state law cited in the preceding paragraph was the former charter of the town, enacted by the legislature on June 13, 1060, and is not codified as part of the general statutes of the state. Its provisions are essentially consolidated into this current charter.

No provision of this act is intended, nor shall be construed, to affect in any way any rights or interests (whether public or private):

- (a) Now vested or accrued, in whole or in part, the validity of which might be sustained or preserved by reference to any provisions of law repealed by this act;
- (b) Derived from, or which might be sustained or preserved in reliance upon, action heretofore taken (including the adoption of ordinances or resolutions) pursuant to or within the scope of any provision or law repealed by this act.

Section 5. [Acts not revived.]

No law heretofore repealed expressly or by implication, and no law granting authority which has been exhausted, shall be revived by:

(a) The repeal herein of any act repealing such law, or

(b) Any provision of this act that disclaims an intention to repeal or affect enumerated or designated laws.

Section 6. [Effect on existing ordinances, actions.]

(a) All existing ordinances and resolutions of the Town of Grifton, and all existing rules or regulations of departments or agencies of the Town of Grifton, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall continue in full force and effect until repealed, modified or amended.

(b) No action or proceeding of any nature (whether civil or criminal, judicial or administrative, or otherwise) pending at the effective date of this act by or against the Town of Grifton or any of its departments or agencies shall be abated or otherwise affected by the adoption of this act.

Section 7. [Severability.]

If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

Section 8. [Repealer provision.]

All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Section 9. [Effective date.]

This act shall be effective upon its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 4th day of June, 1975.

James B. Hunt, Jr.
President of the Senate

James C Green, Sr.

Representatives

Speaker of the House of

TABLE OF ANNEXATION ORDINANCES

The following parcels have been annexed to the town corporate boundaries since 1975.

<i>Parcel</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Deed Book</i>	<i>Description</i>
A (Rest Home)	2-19-1980	248, Page 28, Pitt County Registry	Lying and being in Grifton Township, Pitt County, State of North Carolina and starting at a point where the southern right-of-way line of Wall Street intersects the eastern right-of-way line of Charles Street; thence along and with the southern right-of-way line of Wall Street N 61-41-20E 244 feet more or less to the point where the Roundtree western line intersects said right-of-way, the point of Beginning: thence from said point of Beginning, along and with the southern right-of-way line of Wall Street N 61-41-20E 600.0 feet to a point; thence S 28-18-40E 387.03 feet to a point in the centerline of a ditch; thence along and with the centerline of the ditch the following courses and distances; S 81-21-W 31.18 feet, S 61-27W 132.15 feet, S 46-W 128.01 feet, S 53-36 W 85.84 feet, S 49-37 W 62.95 feet, S 51-25 W 58.25 feet and then S 48-36 W 100.12 feet to the point where the Roundtree line intersects same; thence along and with the Roundtree line N-29-58 W 468.69 feet to the point of Beginning: Being the same tract as depicted and shown on that map entitled "Survey for Riley Evans and Andrew McDougald," drawn by Algie D. Hicks, R.L.S., dated 8-2-79, a copy of which is recorded in Deed Book 248, page 29, Pitt County Registry, to which reference is hereby made for a more complete and accurate description, containing 5.612 acres.
B (Starling)	6-10-1980	449, page 809, Pitt County Registry	Lying and being in Grifton Township, Pitt County, State of North Carolina, and Beginning at the southern-most corner of Lot Number 30 as the same is depicted and shown on that map entitled, "A. L. Patrick Estate," drawn by J. W. Traylor, date April 7, 1952 a copy of which is recorded in map book 5, page 140, Pitt County Registry; thence from said point of Beginning along and with the A. L. Patrick Estate line S 42 E 756.51 feet to a corner; thence along and with another line of the A.L. Patrick Estate S 60-34 W 695.40 feet; thence N 27-13 W 625.92 feet; thence N 48 E 519.03 feet to the Beginning, containing 9.5 acres. See map book 28 page 271 Pitt County Registry.
C (Flanagan Funeral Home)	8-24-1981	773, page 345 Lenoir County Registry	Lying and being in Contentnea Neck Township, Lenoir County, State of North Carolina and beginning at a point in the northern right-of-way of NC 1757 at the southern town limits, thence S-81-18W 160 feet, N3-16W 207.36 feet, S 83-00E SO-86W 161.65 to the point of Beginning, being the tract described in book 766, p. 726 entitled "Property of W. E. Flanagan and wife, Charlotte Flanagan" dated 5-26-76, drawn by Algie D. Hicks, Registered Land Surveyor.

<i>Parcel</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Deed Book</i>	<i>Description</i>
D (Grifton Manor)	4-13-1982	W50, page 152, Pitt County Registry	Lying and being in Grifton Township, Pitt County, North Carolina, and beginning at the point of intersection of the northern right-of-way line of North Carolina Highway Number 118 and the center line of a ditch, said point being located eastwardly 473 feet along the northern right-of-way line of North Carolina Highway Number 118 from the point of intersection of the Northern right-of-way line of North Carolina Highway Number 118 and the eastern right-of-way line of Wall Street in the Town of Grifton, North Carolina, and runs from the point of beginning so located with the center line of a ditch N 43 degrees 47 minutes E 358.27 feet to the southern right-of-way line of North Carolina State Road 1909, S 88 degrees 7 minutes E 128.37 feet, S 87 degrees 21 minutes E 99.51 feet, S 86 degrees 14 minutes E 99.22 feet, S 84 degrees 23 minutes E 99.11 feet, S 82 degrees 51 minutes E 99.21 feet, S 81 degrees 23 minutes E 99.10 feet and S 79 degrees 45 minutes E 47.05 feet; thence leaving the road S 19 degrees 02 minutes W 342.49 feet to an iron stake in the northern right-of-way line of North Carolina Highway number 118; thence with the northern right-of-way line of North Carolina Highway number 118, N 81 degrees 7 minutes W 814.04 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5.445 acres, according to a plat entitled "Survey for B & E Company of Grifton," prepared by Algie D. Hicks, Registered Land Surveyor, dated October 11, 1978, and recorded in Map Book 30, Page 93, Pitt County Registry.
E (Adams)	11-9-1982	R51, page 765, Pitt County Registry	Lying and being in Grifton Township, Pitt County, State of North Carolina and being all of tract A (containing 3 acres, more or less) as the same is depicted and shown on that map entitled "Map of the W. C. Chauncey Subdivision" drawn by J. L. Foy, Registered Surveyor, dated September 9, 1952, a copy of which is recorded in map book 5, page 155, Pitt County Registry, reference to which is hereby made for a more complete and accurate description. The above tract is conveyed subject to that 70-foot wide easement dated 7-21-60, to Carolina Power and Light Company and recorded in book V-31, page 5, Pitt County Registry.
F (Bullock)	7-21-1983	G52, page P64 Pitt County Registry	Lying and being in Grifton Township, Pitt County, State of North Carolina and being that certain 53.7 acres more or less parcel of property more particularly described on a map "Map to Show Property of Leo H. Starling and Goldie S. Reel", prepared by Algie D. Hicks, dated November 7, 1980 and which said 53.7 acres more or less parcel of property is bounded on the north and west by Contentnea Creek and on the north by the lands of Sally Johnson and on the east by Prince Street and West Main Street, and on the south by the lands of Annie Hunter Wall, and which is more particularly and accurately described as follows: Begin at a stake located on the northwestern right-of-way line of Prince Street which stake is located South 46 degrees 45 minutes West 180 feet from a concrete monument set in the northwestern intersection of the northwestern right-of-way line of Prince Street with the southwestern right-of-way line of Queen Street, and from said stake run thence south 46 degrees 45 minutes West 233.7 feet to a stake, turning running thence south 43 degrees 15 minutes East 182.55 feet to a stake, thence south 28 degrees 58 minutes 30 seconds East 146.76 feet (cord), to a stake turning running thence south 72 degrees 59 minutes west 330 feet to a stake, turning running thence south 27 degrees 13 minutes east 430.35 feet to a stake, turning running thence south 60 degrees 34 minutes west 1,934.0 feet to the bank of Contentnea Creek, turning running thence the following courses and distances along the eastern bank of Contentnea Creek North 3 degrees 29 minutes West 719.6 feet to a stake, North 23 degrees 40 minutes east 650.5 feet to a stake, North 26 degrees 38 minutes East 432 feet to a stake, North 30 degrees 54 minutes East 426 feet to a stake, a corner, turning and running thence South 43 degrees 15 minutes East 389 feet to the point of Beginning and being that certain 53.7 acres more or less parcel of property as shown on the map hereinabove referred hereto. The above legal description encompasses a small parcel of property approximately three acres in size which is already within the corporate town limits of the Town of Grifton and which lies directly south of West Main Street and directly west of the Mid-East property.

<i>Parcel</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Deed Book</i>	<i>Description</i>
G (Jones and Williams)	10-27-1986	103, page 572, Pitt County Registry	Lying and being near the Town of Grifton, Grifton Township, Pitt County, North Carolina, and being all of that tract containing 2.04 acres, more or less, (including right-of-way) as the same is depicted and shown upon that map entitled, "Survey for Clarence Ray Williams and Linda M. Williams," drawn by Joseph R. Brochure, R. L. S., dated September 30, 1986. Beginning at a point 753.0 feet from the intersection of SR 1911 and Wall Street N 42 degrees 03 minutes E 429.25 feet, thence N 81 degrees 23 minutes W to N 86 degrees 07 minutes W approximately 520.72 feet to the beginning. The above tract is conveyed subject to the right-of-way of North Carolina State Road Number 1909.
H (Country Club)	9-13-1988	195, page 376, Pitt County Registry	Lying and being in Grifton Township, Pitt County, North Carolina and being all of lots 33 through 38 as said lots are depicted and shown upon that map of Country Club Hills Subdivision, addition number 5 as the same is depicted and shown on that map recorded in map book 18 page 41 Pitt County Registry.
I (Jean Wms and Merle Nelson)	--1997		Situated adjacent to the town in Contentnea Neck Township, Lenoir County, North Carolina, bounded on the north and west by the land of J.R. Harvey and Company, on the east by the land of the W.E. Flanagan, Heirs, and on the south by N.C.S.R. 1757 (South Highland Avenue)
J (Wiley Price Sr.)	10-26-1999	167, page 479, Pitt County Registry	Beginning at a point in the centerline of old N.C. Highway 11, excepting property previously conveyed to James Wiley Price by deed dated 10-15-1985
K	--		Extending the corporate limits
L (Ayden-Grifton Industrial Park)	--		Ayden-Grifton Industrial Park, lying and being situated in Grifton Township, Pitt Count, North Carolina
M	--		Extending the corporate limits
N	--		Extending the corporate limits
O	--2001		Extending the corporate limits
P	--2004		Extending the corporate limits
Q	--2004		Extending the corporate limits
R	--		Extending the corporate limits