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Linda Massey grew up in Alamance County in the small town of Haw River. Growing up, she participated in 4-H. Before she became a county commissioner, she was the mayor of Haw River for ten years. She went back to college and received her degree in Political Science.

Mrs. Massey isn't exactly sure why she decided to be a county commissioner. She said in the interview that someone mentioned it, and told her she should run, so she did it. She won. This is her second term as a county commissioner, and she has three years left. She doesn't know at this time whether or not she will run again when her term is up.

As a county commissioner, Mrs. Massey is on several boards. Some of these include the social services board and the health board. All of the agencies in the county get their money from the county commissioners board. The county commissioners decide how much each agency gets upon receiving yearly budgets. If an agency asks for too much, the commissioners can tell them they need to change their budget. The main concern among the county commissioners are taxes. The taxes were recently raised in an effort to keep money in the county. The board of commissioners tried not to resort to raising taxes, but the county was losing so much money that they had no choice.

Mrs. Massey is a part of the Piedmont Triad Regional Council. She goes to meetings once a month. They talk about varying issues, though mostly about the issues they have in their respective counties. The Piedmont Triad Regional Council helps the surrounding counties with their problems and gives them money to help solve them. Mrs. Massey is the only Alamance County commissioner that attends these meetings. She is also the only commissioner on almost every board in the county. She is dedicated to her job as a county commissioner.