

Summary of Interview

Interviewee: Mayor Cheryl Oliver, Town of Selma, North Carolina
Johnston County

I wanted to know more about the mayor's job and role in the community because they are elected into the office by the citizens. I asked, Mayor Oliver why she decided to run for office. She responded that it was her overwhelming desire to make a difference in her hometown, Selma. Next, I asked her what exactly does her job require her to do. She told me that as mayor she is responsible for putting in place a structure for the safety of the citizens. These structures include: water safety, police enforcement and the town ordinance. The mayor said that the most stressful part about her job is that she doesn't have enough time to do everything she wants. There's so much to be done, but there's just not enough hours in the day. I asked the mayor what concerns does she have about Selma at this time, and what is she working on. Mrs. Oliver says that she is working on bringing the citizens of Selma closer together. Lastly, I wanted to see what she had planned for the town to make it a better place, and what I could do to help out with her vision. It was a great interview and I found that Mayor Oliver has goals to create a town that is fun, affordable, and a place where people can say they're proud to be

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