



*Dave Smith has earned respect in Highland in various leadership roles, both from residents and from this newspaper. So we must take exception to one of his comments. At Monday's Industrial Development Authority meeting he accused The Recorder of using "trick photography" in its picture of a Tucker County wind turbine. The Recorder has never altered photographs, with the exception of removing dust specks from, for example, the face of a new bride. In fact, most readers probably wish we'd do more to enhance the quality of our pictures. But rest assured, the photos published of that wind turbine are quite real. Anyone driving to that spot, where one suddenly comes upon the blades at almost eye level, would get the same result with the Nikon 990 digital camera we used. Smith, and others, may believe The Recorder has not presented all the pertinent facts on wind energy, but we stand by the scope and fairness of our reporting. And our research leads us to the same conclusions we've maintained for more than a year: This kind of development is not right for Highland.*

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