

WEXFORD COUNTY PROPOSALS

WEXFORD

County Proposal
Older citizens services renewal millage proposal

Shall the previously voted increase in the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within the County of Wexford imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be renewed at 0.4000 mill (\$.4000 per \$1,000

of taxable value) for a period of four (4) years, 2005 through 2008, inclusive, for the sole purpose of providing operating millage for the funding of older citizen services within Wexford County. (If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$318,403.00 for the countywide older citizen services in the first calendar year of the levy

based on taxable value).

TOWNSHIPS

BOON

■ Shall the Township of Boon, Wexford County, State of Michigan, levy an additional .0973 (\$.973 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) on all real and personal property within the township of Boon for a two-

year period (2004, 2005), for Township operational purposes, which levy the sum of approximately \$1,361.50 in the year 2004 if approved and levied.

■ Shall the Township of Boon, Wexford County, State of Michigan, be authorized to renew .9702 mill (\$.9702 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) plus

an additional millage of .0298 (\$.0298 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for a total of 1.00 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 value) upon real personal property within the Township of Boon for levy in the years 2004, 2005, for the purpose to provide fire protection by the Boon Volunteer Fire Department, which would levy the sum of

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DISTRICT 3

LESTER BARNES

Republican

AGE: 71

RESIDENCE: Mesick

EDUCATION: High school, continued training in professional and political careers.

POLITICAL CAREER: 12 years as county commissioner.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: 26 years in sales, service and management of a dental supply company; 20 years as owner/operator of Mesick Hardware.

TOP

ISSUE/WHY?

Fair taxation and equal distribution of funds and services. The enterprise fund that operates Wexford



County Landfill needs to be operated as a business, with all users paying their equal share. This should include a good recycling program. Careful budgeting in all departments in Wexford County government.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I have always worked hard for my constituents and will continue to do so. I am very active in county government and will use this experience and knowledge to do a good job as commissioner.

JERRY BULOCK

Republican

AGE: 63

RESIDENCE: Manton

EDUCATION: High School, 1959.

POLITICAL CAREER: None.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER:

1966-1991, truck driver, heavy equipment operator, Wexford County Road Commission; also worked in private enterprise; member of the Naval Reserve, obtained the rank of Petty Officer First Class as a Navy Seabee, retired in 1994.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Making the road commission an elected office will cause this group to be more responsive to the needs of the public.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I intend to visit each township board on a rotating basis to advise elected officials and the public on issues affecting District 3. With increased awareness of local issues and improved accessibility to the commissioners, people will realize that local government is where change is possible.

DISTRICT 4

LARRY COPLEY

Republican

AGE: 61

RESIDENCE: Cherry Grove

Township

EDUCATION: Cadillac High School, 1960; Michigan State University, 1964, B.S. in police administration.

POLITICAL

CAREER:

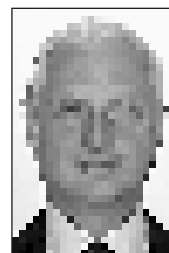
Elected to Wexford County Board of Commissioners in 2002.

PROFESSIONAL

CAREER: U.S.

Air Force, 1966-72; Michigan State Police, 1972-1996

TOP ISSUE/WHY? People are looking to elect a commissioner who will keep them



informed of the issues and listen to their concerns.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? My to-do list includes: make county government responsible to the individual — for instance, elect road commissioners; increase flow of information about county business to public via local media, have voters decide large issues like courthouse annex, encourage the public to realize the importance of local government.

DISTRICT 5

MICHAEL HANER

Republican

Did not respond

BILL GOODWILL

Republican

Did not respond

DISTRICT 6

JAY THIEBAUT

Republican

Did not respond

DISTRICT 7

BILL BARNETT

Republican

AGE: 45

RESIDENCE: Cadillac

EDUCATION: Cadillac High

School, 1977; Michigan State University, 1981; Detroit College of Law, 1986.

POLITICAL

CAREER:

Cadillac city councilman, 1995-1999; Wexford County commissioner, 2000-present.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Criminal and family attorney, 18 years; musician, 28 years;



founder of Northern Michigan Public Relations Consulting; co-founder of Cherry Records.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? The "budget" is always our top issue. Our county needs to present a budget that does not depend on the current level of state revenue sharing dollars or moneys that should be reserved for the closure of our County owned landfill. Doing so will require a tremendous sacrifices.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I have 10 years experience as an elected official and feel I am qualified to continue to represent my district in the Cadillac area. I have worked hard to keep in touch with my constituents and have done my best to speak for them in my role as their commissioner.

DISTRICT 8

SARAH McKEEVER

Republican

Did not respond.

DISTRICT 9

SCOTT REAGAN

Republican

Did not respond.

DAVID STROUTENBERG

Republican

Did not respond.

ALBERT NELSON

Republican

Did not respond.

CADILLAC CITY COUNCIL
2ND WARD

THOMAS DYER

Non-Partisan

AGE: 43

RESIDENCE: Cadillac

EDUCATION: B.S., occupational safety and health management, Grand Valley State University, 1991.

POLITICAL CAREER: Cadillac City Council, Ward 2, since November 2003.

PROFESSIONAL

CAREER:

Working as an environmental, health and safety manager and human resources manager, protecting people, property and the environment for 13 years.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Fostering long-term sustainability and growth in our corporate community is our utmost concern. All else benefits in our balanced community. We in turn will have family-friendly neighborhoods, vibrancy in our business downtown, well-maintained parks and fiscally responsible government. Job opportunities mean more people may contribute to the community.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I am the better choice for you. I am a proven professional with a passion to give back to our community. I have a clear vision for the citizens of Cadillac. I am effective and knowledgeable while in current service on council. I have integrity, character, compassion, competency and drive.

MICHAEL STUMP

Non-partisan

Did not respond

