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What’s Happening?

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform Haywood County Taxpayers of what transpires at the bi-monthly County Commission Meetings. This newsletter will be written from the perspective of a casual observer, myself. Any opinions expressed will be mine.

County Candidates for 2022 Elections.

These are some initial comments on two groups of candidates for the upcoming 2022 elections:

- County Commissioners
- Sheriff

The filing date has just opened (and been suspended), and things will be rocky for a while, until the Courts re-establish amended filing dates and primary election dates. In the meanwhile, it is worthwhile to make some observations about who has thus far thrown their hat in the ring.

Information about these initial candidates has come primarily from **Vicki Hyatt**, Liberal Hack News Editor for the Mountaineer, as I am prevented from obtaining Public Information from our local Board of Elections by **Danny Davis** [D], authoritarian chair of the Board of Elections.

Announced candidates for County Commission.

There are three openings for county commissioner. The three holding current positions up for re-election are:

- Jennifer Best [R]
- **James Weaver “Kirk” Kirkpatrick the III** [D]
- Tommy Long [M]

[Editor’s Note: Code for above:

[R] = Republican

[D] = democrat

[M] = Manikin]

New candidates that have made their way into the Mountaineer are:

Erich Overholtz [R]

Jeff Haynes [D]

Christian Burnette [R]

The one conspicuous candidate **Vicki Hyatt** did not report as putting his name in the ring thus far was **James Weaver “Kirk” Kirkpatrick the III**.

This is a wide open field, and many things can happen. But it is interesting to speculate on different scenario’s, which I can do right now.

Let’s say that the following two get kicked out:

- **James Weaver “Kirk” Kirkpatrick the III** [D] (if he runs)
- Tommy Long [M]

and **James Weaver “Kirk” Kirkpatrick the III** is replaced by Jeff Haynes, and Tommy Long is replaced by Erich Overholtz.

We would now have an opportunity to unseat **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] as chair of the County Commission. Any of the remaining Republican’s as a new chair would be a blessing upon the Taxpayers of Haywood County.

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[RINO] = Republican In Name Only.]

Announced candidates for Sheriff.

Currently five (5) candidates have either filed or made their intention to file clear.

- Tony Cope [R]
- Larry Bryson [D]
- Bill Wilke [R]
- John Hemingway [D]
- Jason Hughes [R]

This is going to be an interesting race, and don’t forget, the filing dates are still open for more candidates. My personal opinion is that I think it will be tough for any democrat to carry the vote for Sheriff.

Legend: If any name is in **bold**, it can’t be a good thing.

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