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TO:	County Board of Commissioners
FROM:	Micki O'Keefe, Accountant II
SUBJECT:	Establish Absentee Ballot Board
DATE:	January 16, 2024

## Discussion:

Minnesota Statute 203B.121, Subd. 1 states that the County Board must establish an Absentee Ballot Board. Minnesota Statutes 204B.19 to 204B.22 say the Absentee Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number of elections judges or deputy county auditors trained in the processing and counting of absentee ballots. The appointments must be made at least 45 days before the election.

The following individuals shall be appointed as deputy auditors for the Absentee Ballot Board for the 2024 Presidential Nomination Primary.

Jill Anderson
 Micki O'Keefe
 Erin Poncelet

In addition, the following individuals shall be appointed as election judges for the Absentee Ballot Board for the 2024 Presidential Nomination Primary.

Laura Brodie

Brenda Hinsch

- Jennifer Luhman
- Nicole DahlstromDawn Erickson
- Lisa Marty
- Ruth Olander
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    Samantha Dierr
- Samantha Pierret
- Heather Poncelet
- Nancy Preuit
- Steven Schreiber
- Julie Vangsness

A revised memo will be brought forward after the political party lists are available. That list will be sent to counties in May of 2024.

## **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the County Board appoint the listed individuals as Absentee Ballot Board members for the Presidential Nomination Primary.

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GOODHUE COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Date: 16 January 2024

## RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE GOODHUE COUNTY ABSENTEE BALLOT BOARD.

WHEREAS, Goodhue County is required by Minnesota Statute 203B.121, Subd. 1 to establish an Absentee Ballot Board effective January 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this board will bring uniformity in the processing of accepting or rejecting returned absentee ballots in Goodhue County; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Ballot Board would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.18 to 204B.22 or deputy county auditors trained in the processing and counting of absentee ballots;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Goodhue County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes an Absentee Ballot Board that would consist of a sufficient number of election judges as provided in sections 204B.19 to 204B.22 or deputy auditors to perform the task.

- Jill Anderson
- Laura Brodie
- Nicole Dahlstrom
- Dawn Erickson
- Brenda Hinsch
- Jennifer Luhman
- Lisa Marty
- Micki O'Keefe
- Ruth Olander
- Samantha Pierret
- Erin Poncelet
- Heather Poncelet
- Nancy Preuit
- Steven Schreiber
- Julie Vangsness

State of Minnesota County of Goodhue

Anderson	Yes	No
Drotos	Yes	No
Flanders	Yes	No
Greseth	Yes	No
Majerus	Yes	No

I, Scott Arneson, duly appointed, qualified and County Administrator of the County of Goodhue, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County commissioners, Goodhue County, Minnesota at their session held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024, no on file in my office, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal at Red Wing, Minnesota, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

Scott Arneson County Administrator