

Seven in race for two council seats

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Deadline passes, ballot set for candidates running for office.

Fonner Park's horse-racing season opens this weekend in Grand Island and it appears that Gothenburg has a competition of its own.

Four candidates have saddled up for a race for an east-ward council seat while three are in the running to represent the west-ward part of town.

Monday was the last day for challengers to file for office in the 2014 election.

J Buddenberg, Bruce Clark, Lee Koubek and Jay Richeson are on the east-ward ballot while Verlin Janssen, Gary Norseen and Koby Rickertsen are vying for a west-ward seat.

The field will be reduced to two for each seat in the May 13 primary election.

Mayor Joyce Hudson is unopposed.

CONTESTED RACES FOR PRIMARY
CITY COUNCIL (2 seats)
East Ward—J Buddenberg, Bruce Clark, Lee Koubek, Jay Richeson
West Ward—Verlin Janssen, Gary Norseen, Koby Rickertsen
HOSPITAL (2 seats)
GMH Board—Mart Berchard, Larry Gil, Evan O'Hara
COUNTY OFFICES
(County seats are partisan and all candidates are registered Republicans)
Sheriff—Ken Moody, Gary Renner
District Court Clerk—Maria Barajas, Becky Boryca, Maria Ruedinger-Maravilla, Jackie Rowan
Register of deeds—Debra Stuehli, Dian Lusby
Surveyor—Shawn Boyd, Mark Street

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GMH board

Gothenburg Memorial Hospital board incumbents Larry Gill and Ryan O'Hare are being challenged by Mark Borchardt.

Two board members will be elected in the primary.

Dawson County offices

Four county nominations will be decided in the May primary.

All county races are partisan and all who are running are Republicans.

Challenger Ken Moody of Gothenburg is facing incumbent Gary Reiber of Lexington.

The district court clerk seat has turned into a four-way race with Maria Barajas of Lexington, Becky Boryca of Cozad and Maria Reutlinger-Maravilla and Jackie Rowan, both of Lexington, wanting to win the nomination.

Two-way races involve the offices of register of deeds and surveyor.

Debra Stuchlik and Dian Lauby, both of Lexington, are vying for the register of deeds seat and Shawn Boyd of Gothenburg is challenging Lexington's Mark Streit for surveyor.

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Both Wayne Janssen of Gothenburg and Steve Luther want to serve on the weed board which has two seats open.

Because of a new law, the names of county assessor John Moore, county attorney Elizabeth Waterman, county clerk Karla Zlatkovsky, District 2 commissioner Bill Stewart, District 3 commissioner Dennis Rickertsen and treasurer Sharon Wood will not appear on the primary ballot but will on the Nov. 4 ballot.

All are unopposed.

District 36 legislative seat

The names of Matt Williams of Gothenburg, and Luis Sotelo of Lexington, will appear on the primary ballot as candidates for the 36th District state legislative seat.



School board

District 20 board members, Nate Wyatt and Jon Hudson, seek re-election and Devin Brundage

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is running for one of three seats.

Airport Authority

Both incumbent Roger Tederman and new appointee Lorie Hoesel are running for the two seats open on the Gothenburg Airport Authority board.

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