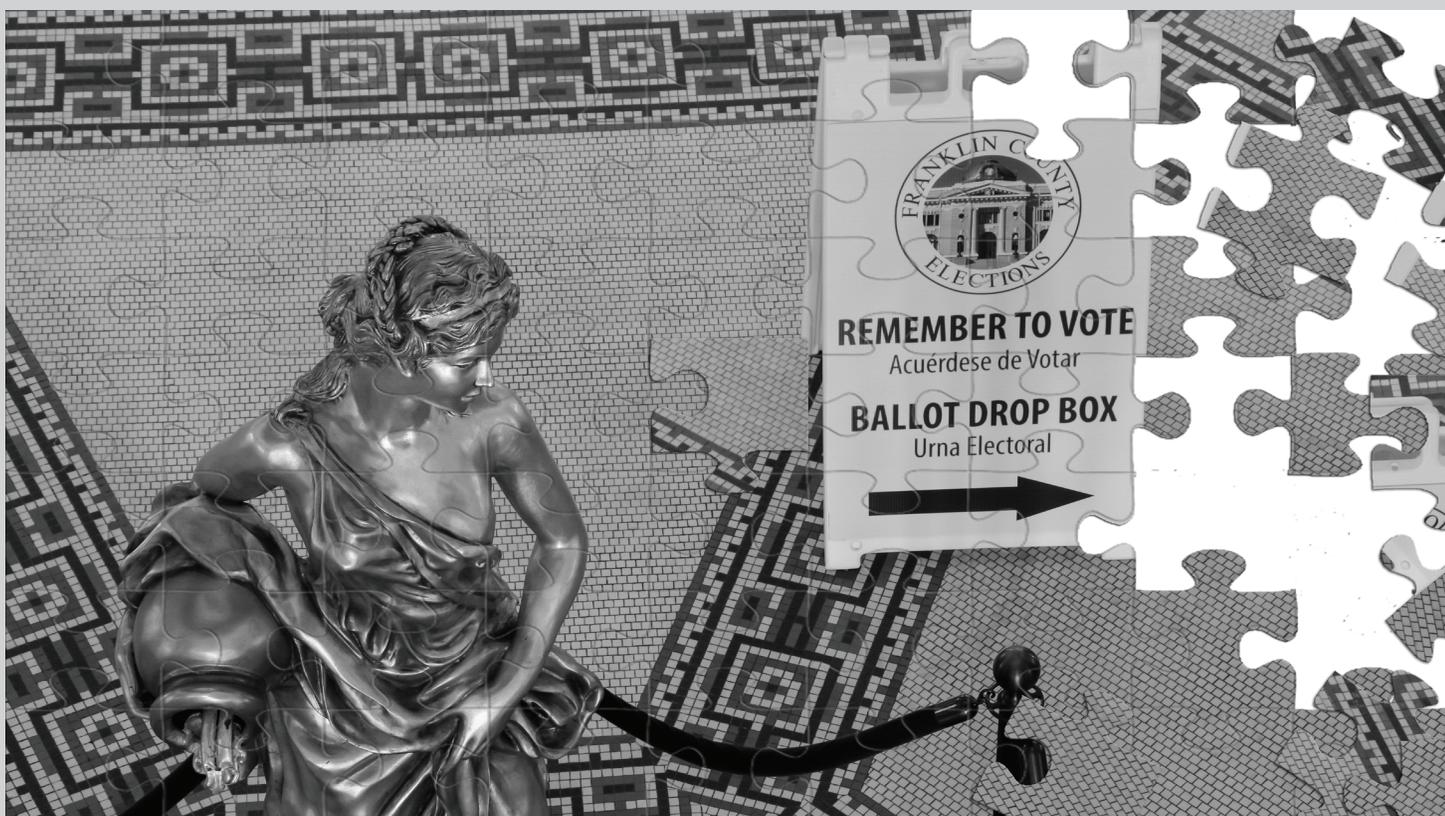


Franklin County Official Local

Voters' Pamphlet

November 8, 2016 General Election



Message from Franklin County Auditor

Dear voter,

PLEASE RETURN YOUR BALLOT

In my time as Auditor, Franklin County Elections has had to decide one race by the flip of a coin and just recounted another that was a 47 vote difference out of 9,751.

Make Your Vote Count,



Matt Beaton

November 8, 2016 General Election

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Brad

Peck

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience

Franklin County Commissioner 2009 to present.

Other Professional Experience

21 years U.S. Air Force. Lt. Colonel retired. Managed multi-million dollar budgets leading teams of 400 or more people. Advisor to Air Force Chief of Staff (Joint Chiefs of Staff). Multiple military awards and decorations. Worldwide military service including Middle East duty and the Pentagon. Six years experience in nuclear and renewable energy power generation.

Education

MS, Eastern WA University 1997. BA, Central WA University 1981. Extensive formal management and leadership training.

Community Service

Serve on over 20 Tri Cities boards and committees. Restored and frequently donate use of our home (Moore Mansion) for charity events.

Statement

Everything we do in county government must be legal, ethical and moral. As your employee, I push hard for accountability, transparency and efficiency; and stand up for your rights in bi-county programs. Leading by example, I led our Board to implement a four-year freeze on our own salaries. My standards aren't always popular among county employees, but they are essential to my vision for open and honest government that deeply respects you and your tax dollars.

The Board of Commissioners recently reassigned the new county financial software project from the County Auditor to our office after more than four years under his oversight. The software project was approved after the Dennis Houston embezzlement discovery by a county accountant complying with anticipated Internal Revenue Service requirements. The embezzlement was not discovered by any elected official, but highlighted inadequate financial controls under County Auditor Beaton and his predecessors who certify expenditures prior to Commissioners' approval.

We must protect landowners from excessive environmental and governmental regulation while working with our cities and the Port of Pasco to increase business development and reduce homeowner taxes.

My wife Debra and I have invested more than a decade faithfully restoring the Moore Mansion in Pasco.

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Matt

Beaton

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience

Franklin County Auditor 2011 and 2015, Co-Chair of the Washington State Association of County Auditors 2014.

Other Professional Experience

Opened and operated Sage Appraisal Services Inc. Provided over a billion dollars in valuation services over the course of my career in the Tri-Cities region appraising single family homes, mixed-use, land and small commercial properties.

Education

BA in Business Administration, University of Washington: Certified Real Estate Appraiser Washington State 22 years; Real Estate Broker, Washington State Inactive 27 years.

Community Service

Pasco Kiwanas: Member, Lourdes Foundation Board: Member, Central Washington Catholic Foundation Board: Treasurer, NRA: Life Member, Washington Policy Center: Supporter.

Statement

Five years ago I committed to all of you to help lead our community in county government. I committed to put integrity first and I have.

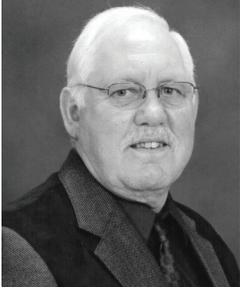
As Auditor, my team and I discovered and ended the largest and longest governmental fraud case in state history (\$2.8M+ stolen over 20 years), saving hundreds of thousands of tax dollars every year. I worked with the Treasurer and internal offices to press for the resources to install the financial software.

I worked hard to get an independent, in-depth review of the cash machines at TRAC. I then worked with the Washington Policy Center in securing the use of a private sector Performance Audit of TRAC operations, resulting in better controls, improved leadership and meaningful savings to taxpayers.

I will bring a track record of success and leadership to the county Commission to mend strained bi-county relationships and maximize efficiency and accountability in the county. I am committed to improving the transparency of decision making processes.

I will bring my passion and sense of service to you as County Commissioner. I would appreciate your vote and support to allow me to continue working hard to make our County great again.

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Bob

Koch

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience

No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted.

Education

No information submitted.

Community Service

No information submitted.

Statement

Bob Koch is in his third term as Franklin County Commissioner. He came from the private industry with thirty five years of experience as a self-employed businessman. During his time as commissioner, he has been instrumental in securing revenue for access to Juniper Dunes, the Road 100 extension, and the Franklin County Jail Expansion. He has been appointed to numerous boards and committees by his peers. At the county level, he is appointed to twenty four boards and committees, three of which he serves as Chairman. At the state level, he has been appointed to the Washington State Association of Counties and the Transportation Improvement Board. At the national level, he serves as the Vice Chair of National Association of Counties Ag and Rural Affairs. It is his distinct honor to represent Franklin County as your County Commissioner and is looking forward to continuing. Bob lives in Connell with his wife, Connie, of 39 years and has three adult daughters.

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Rodney (Rocky)

Mullen

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience

No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience

1997 to present local business owner. Including Sahara Pizza, Big Western LLC, Big Western Auctions, Dove Financial. 30 years management experience working with national corporations.

Education

Attended Eastern Washington University.

Community Service

Volunteer auctioneering services for local fundraising and charity events. Work closely with Benton Franklin County Fair and Farm Fair. Support local schools thru various fundraising programs.

Statement

I am running for Franklin County Commissioner District 2.

It is my objective to be the people's voice and their representation in our local government. I believe in controlled limited spending to provide the services that are essential to our community. I bring forth and offer my 30 years of management experience. I am a local business owner and cattle rancher, I was born and raised here Pasco on our family farm which has been in operation since 1948.

I am committed to representing our community and the opinions of those who live here. If elected to the job of county commissioner, I will be a commissioner for the people. I will work with the other commissioners to approve a balanced budget that is accounted for and ensure that spending is closely monitored, eliminating any waste or misuse of county funds.

If elected I will commit to hard work. I will work with integrity and accountability for the people of Franklin County. I appreciate your vote in the upcoming November election.

Thank you for your support.

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No photo
submitted

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Wright

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

No statement submitted

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Proposition No. 1
Submitted by City of Kahlotus
Annexation into the Mid-Columbia
Library District

Shall the City of Kahlotus be annexed to and be a part of the Mid-Columbia Library District?

Yes

No

Explanatory Statement

If approved by the voters, this proposition would annex the City of Kahlotus to the Mid-Columbia Library District.

Upon annexation, all City taxpayers will be subject to the real property tax levy that can be authorized by the Library District. The maximum real property tax levy that can be authorized by the City will be reduced by the amount of real property tax levied by the Library District.

The Mid-Columbia Library District would be solely responsible for providing library services within the City. Annexation will have no effect on library services, and will result in a continuation of current services.

Statement For Proposition No. 1

Literacy in today's world is the key to successful living. The library in Kahlotus serves as an extension to early exposure to many phases of learning. It exposes infants to the enjoyment of exploring the world around us. As the child grows, the library has the resources to continue to challenge, inform and provide many hours of enjoyment and learning thru hard bound books, e-books, movies, magazines, computer use and programs. In Kahlotus the library is use and programs. In Kahlotus the Library is used from early childhood to seniors. If it were not for the MLC in Kahlotus, the citizens and extended community would have to travel a minimum of 32 miles to use the resources, thus making them totally unavailable for most. The wonderful programs that the library offers are often the only exposure and sometimes "hand on" that we have for such subjects. Maintaining the Kahlotus branch of MLC is vital to continued learning!

Annexation shifts the responsibility for providing library service from the city to the library district. By annexing to the District, Kahlotus will ensure long-term stability and funding for library service. This in turn, will allow the District to work providing the best possible service to Kahlotus residents. Annexation could also provide a larger facility with move space for all of our community to enjoy.

Rebuttal of Statement For

No Rebuttal of Statement Submitted.

Statement Against Proposition No. 1

No Statement Against Submitted.

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1016 N 4th Ave, Pasco</p> | <p>3 TRAC
6600 Burden Blvd, Pasco</p> |
| <p>4 Fire Protection District 3
2108 Road 84, Pasco</p> | <p>5 Connell PUD Shop
619W Clark St, Connell</p> | |