

**local and area election results from April 2, 2013**

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City of Trenton voters elected two new city councilmen and re-elected two others during yesterday's election. Read more on election results for Grundy County plus highlights from other area counties. Mark Moore and Travis Elbert were the favorites in the first and third wards. Moore defeated Terri Toms 134 to 48 in first ward. Elbert unseated an incumbent, Ed Spencer, 124 to 82 in the third ward. Mark Robinson defeated two challengers to win the second ward seat. The vote count shows Robinson with 91, John Beier 55, and Brad Johnson with 28 votes. Fourth ward councilman Jim Bush was unopposed for re-election.

Winning a race for the Trenton R-9 Board of Education were George Moore and Jenni Croy. Moore had 594 votes and Mrs. Croy 484. Then came Tina Capeder with 444 votes and Jennifer McCully with 348.

Winning seats on the Grundy County Nursing Home district board were Jim Cox and Larry Griffin. Cox received the most votes with 810. Griffin, an incumbent, has 611. Then it was Tim Whitaker with 448 and Frank Clodfelter at 443.

In another local race, two seats on the Laredo board of aldermen go to Peter DeBruyen and Jeffery Smith. Both local use tax proposals go down in defeat by similar percentages. Grundy county's local use tax issue received just over 43 percent support (549 to 724). City of Trenton local use tax question garnered exactly 43 percent support (351 to 465) Tax levy proposals pass in Lincoln, Harrison, Liberty, and Taylor townships. Grundy County saw a 20 percent voter turnout Tuesday. (1,310 of 6,463)

School-related issues were defeated yesterday in the North Mercer and North Daviess districts but pass in Jamesport Tri County and Meadville districts.

Patrons of North Mercer defeated an issue to fully eliminate the Proposition C sales tax rollback with 75 in favor and 89 against. That's nearly 46 percent support.

Another local issue lost in Mercer county. The proposed ten cent levy increase for Mercer County Health Department received 39 percent support (losing 139 to 215).

Wesley Parsons wins a race for the Mercer County Public Water Supply District Board.

Voters of the North Daviess School District defeat an annexation proposal that would have split up the district three ways. The issue gets 41 percent approval but loses with 127 in favor and 183 opposed.

Patrons of Jamesport Tri County district, by a two to one margin, approve an additional 25 cents on the tax levy with 157 in favor and 73 opposed. (68%)

Voters at Jamesport elect Jack Turner as mayor over two other candidates. Winning races for aldermen at Jamesport were Geoff Eads and Chris Ford in the north and south wards.

Seats on the Gallatin school board go to Brice Terry and William Irby. Winning races on the North Daviess board of education are James Duly and Cecil McCrary for three year terms and Natalie May for the one year unexpired term.

Patrons of the Meadville district overwhelming approved a ballot issue with 93 percent in favor (210

to 16). Elected to the school board were John Schmitz and Ben Keller.

Linn County R-1 patrons elected Shannon Murrell and Steve Hardy.

Picked for the Brookfield school board were Jim McIntyre and Mike Sattman.

For the Brookfield City Council: Richard Techau and Lonnie Trentham for three year terms and Martha Beach for one year unexpired term. Voters on both sides of the county line approved a city sales tax and bond issue for Browning. Voters at Laclede and Linneus defeat a ballot proposal to appoint a tax collector while those in Purdin approve a similar issue. Marceline passes its city sales tax with 79 percent.

Voters in Livingston county, with nearly 56 percent approval, pass a five cent tax levy to fund senior citizen services. Chosen for Livingston County Health Center Board were Darlene Hughes, Doug Doughty, and Marilyn Brodmerkle. Selected for Southwest R-1 at Ludlow School Board were Mark Anderson and Brad Webb.

Voters in Caldwell County approve a sales tax with 69 percent in favor. Both Sullivan and Putnam County voters approve local use taxes. Sullivan County gives it 55 percent approval (488 to 401). Putnam County approved the use tax with 63 percent support (518 to 301). The Putnam County sales tax for the hospital also passes with 72 percent support (603 to 230). Unionville voters, with 64 percent approval, pass a city sales tax. Selected to Putnam County R-1 Board of Education are Kelly Busker and by a slim margin, Ced Gilworth.

Winning seats on Milan C-2 Board of Education are Harry Doak Junior and Jeremy Mosley.

Emerging from a field of eight for the South Harrison Board of Education were C-F Rainey and Terry Daniel.

Cainsville gives 80 percent support to renew the tax levy.