

Village of Melrose  
January 13, 2021

The Village of Melrose held its annual Caucus on Wednesday, January 13, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the Village Hall. The purpose of the Caucus was to secure nominees for an April 6, 2021 election, where three Village Board Trustees will be elected in addition to one Village President. The three Trustee seats under consideration in the April election are presently held by Trustee Michael Murray, Trustee Tory Lockington, and Trustee Nicolet (Nikki) Gilbertson. The Village President seat under consideration is presently held by Brant Young.

Village President Brant Young was not in attendance due to prescheduled Training.  
First Alternate Trustee Lockington opened the Caucus by reading the Notice of Caucus.

Since Trustee Lockington is up for election, he was not able to serve as Caucus Chairperson. Trustee Lockington asked for a volunteer for someone to be the Caucus Chairperson, or asked someone to nominate a Chairperson. Mike Murray nominated Ben Boardman, seconded by Terry Nordstrom. Trustee Lockington then asked if there were any other nominations. Due to no other nominations, Ben Boardman came to the front and opened nominations for two Caucus Tellers.

- Mike Murray nominated Judi Gunther, seconded by Sylva Hanson.
- Tory Lockington nominated Bonnie Murray, seconded by Mike Murray.

Caucus Chairperson Boardman asked if there were any other nominations. There were no other nominations for Caucus Teller. Hearing none, Boardman announced that the nominations for Caucus teller were closed.

Caucus Chairperson Boardman asked the public how they would like to handle a tie, if a tie should occur during the caucus. The public discussed the situation and it was decided the public would vote via secret ballot. Motion made by Terry Nordstrom and seconded by Nikki Gilbertson to vote via secret ballot.

Caucus Chairperson Boardman opened nominations for Village President:  
-Tory Lockington nominated Brant Young, seconded by Sylva Hanson.

Caucus Chairman Boardman asked if there were any other nominations. He then asked an additional three times. There were no other nominations for Village President. Hearing none, Boardman announced that the nominations for Village President were closed.

Caucus Chairperson Boardman opened nominations for Village Trustees:  
-Terry Nordstrom nominated Nikki Gilbertson, seconded by Tory Lockington.  
-Terry Nordstrom nominated Tory Lockington, seconded by Sylva Hanson.  
-Sylva Hanson nominated Mike Murray, seconded by Judi Gunther.

Caucus Chairman Boardman asked if there were any other nominations. He then asked an additional three times. There were no other nominations for Village Trustee. Hearing none, Boardman announced that the nominations for Village Trustee were closed.

Boardman announced the candidate names for Village President and Village Trustee.

Tory Lockington motioned to adjourn the Caucus, seconded by Nikki Gilbertson. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Caucus adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Casie Renning, Village Clerk