Village of Melrose

January 18, 2023

The Village of Melrose held its annual Caucus on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM at the Village Hall. The purpose of the Caucus was to secure nominees for an April 4, 2023 election, where three Village Board Trustees and one Village President will be elected. The three Trustee seats under consideration in the April election are presently held by Trustee Nicolet Gilbertson, Trustee Tory Lockington, and Trustee Mike Murray. The President’s seat under consideration in the April election is currently held by President Brant Young.

Village President Brant Young opened the Caucus by reading the Notice of Caucus.

President Young opened nominations for two Caucus Tellers.

-Brant Young nominated Sylva Hanson, seconded by Mike Murray.

-Brant Young nominated Ben Boardman, seconded by Mike Murray.

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

President Young 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 Mike Murray and seconded by Dan Stern to vote via secret ballot.

President Young opened nominations for Village Trustees:

-Michelle Gunther nominated Katherine Mehaffie, seconded by Sylva Hanson.

-Mike Murray nominated Dayna Baldwin, seconded by Sylva Hanson.

-Sylva Hanson nominated Clifftin Stanton, seconded by Mike Murray.

-Beth Young nominated Kathleen Manske, seconded by Ben Boardman.

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

-Ben Boardman nominated Gina Martin, seconded by Katie Mehaffie.

President Young asked if there were any other nominations. He then asked an additional three times. There were no other nominations for Village Trustee. Arlen Stern made a motion to close the nominations for Village Trustee, seconded by Mike Murray. Young announced that the nominations for Village Trustee were closed.

Young announced the candidate names for Village Trustee.

President Young opened nominations for Village President.

-Mike Murray nominated Ben Boardman, seconded by Dan Stern.

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Mike Murray motioned to adjourn the Caucus, seconded by Arlen Stern. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Caucus adjourned at 6:37 PM.

Megan Skilling, Village Clerk