



I am Don Hill; I have resided at 3781 N Tiger Whip Rd for the last 46 years. I am writing this letter asking for your vote on November 5th, 2024. I am running for county board in district #7. I previously served on the board for ten years and would like to serve again. I am retired, and don't farm or have a business on the side, so I have the time to do the best I can to serve you and improve the quality of life for people in our district.

During my ten years of service, I became very familiar with the way county government works. I also gained the confidence of my fellow board members, to the point where they elected me chairperson in my most recent term. My serving as chair brought a little more clout to the east part of the county. Past chairpersons have usually been from the west side of the county and everything was about the Galena area. I want Stockton, Warren, Apple River and Nora to all be represented better and bring our part of the county the respect it deserves.

Committees are an important part of doing the board's work; I have served on several. In 2022, the negotiating committee and I negotiated a new four-year contract with the sheriff deputies in Jo Daviess County, keeping the citizens safe for another four years.

On the Public Works committee we repaired roads, bridges, and culverts in the Nora, Warren and Rush townships. Some of these projects were in the works for over 10 years and I helped prioritize them as equally important to projects in the Galena area.

The purpose of the Social and Environmental committee is to improve social services for county residents. A significant action my fellow committee members and I took was transferring oversight of the Jo Daviess County Transit System to the county board. It now serves residents throughout the entire county, as its funding grants specify. You may call (866)648-5901 toll free for information about fares and how to schedule a ride throughout the county, for up to 100 miles from home.

If elected to another term, I want to continue to expand and coordinate social services for county residents including health, transit, and senior services. A key part of this would be returning the senior center to Jo Daviess County from Stephenson County permanently. I would also promote ways to improve our county's economy, such as legalizing UTV's on county roads, which would make the driving of them safer and a boon to Jo Daviess County tourism.

To serve, without prejudice, is my goal. I want to be fair and give everyone their time to speak. I have been, and will continue to be, responsible when spending the tax dollars everyone works so hard to earn. I don't like taxes any more than my neighbors.

I want to once again be your representative on the County Board, therefore, I am asking for your vote on November 5th, it will be much appreciated.

Thank you,

Don Hill