

VOTER GUIDE – AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION
COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DISTRICT 6

Tuesday, August 4, 2020
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OAKLAND AREA

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You may VOTE in ONLY ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY - either Democratic or Republican – for ALL partisan offices on ballot.
Note: Candidates are ordered within each office by party with Democrats preceding Republicans.

3 Candidates for COUNTY COMMISSIONER for ONE 2-year term

2 Democrats and 1 Republican are running for this office in District 6

<p>CANDIDATES for COUNTY COMMISSION</p> <p>ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p>	<p>Question 1 (150 Words or less): Provide biographical information and explain why you are running for County Commissioner and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</p>	<p>Question 2 (150 Words or less): What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the County Commission should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them?</p>
<p><i>Democrat</i> TARRIE A. DUKE 3887 Lotus Dr., Waterford, MI 48329</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	
<p><i>Democrat</i> JEFFREY LONG 3180 Long Ln., White Lake, MI 48383</p>	<p>I am 56 years old. I was raised in White Lake Twp. My wife and I purchased our first home in Waterford before moving to White Lake in 1996 and building our current home. I currently serve on the Huron Valley Board of Education. I was first elected in 2011 and re-elected in 2016. During the last 9 years, we have improved relationships with staff, negotiated fair contracts, and been able to avoid privatizing. We have continued to balance our budgets and provide a AAA education. The experience of serving my community has prepared me to move to the County Commission. Having been part of negotiating contracts as a public servant and in my professional career, contract and policy language has become second nature to me. I am running for this position because I have grown tired of partisan politics and a lack of respect from both sides of the aisle. Constituents deserve to be represented by their elected officials no matter their, or their representative's party affiliation.</p>	<p>Protecting everyone's rights, not just the left's or the right's. I would support the policies that enforce the Rights of workers, women, and the Constitution.</p> <p>Community Safety and Health. I know first hand the negative effect fear has on students who don't feel safe going to school. I would support policies that protect students from physical and mental abuse, cyberbullying, school shootings, and mental distress. Schools need more resources and revenue for this to be effective. I would look for ways to give all schools additional support.</p> <p>Protect Michigan Workers. I would propose a strict approach to using Michigan workers in the county that would include fair wages, better benefits, stronger code, and licensing enforcement, and more stringent safety and sanitary conditions. Every worker should come to work knowing they will be going home healthy at the end of a hard day. I would also say helping Small Business would be a priority. They are vital to a thriving community.</p>

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<p><i>Republican</i> EILEEN KOWALL 2333 Cumberland Dr. White Lake, MI 48383</p>	<p>Husband Mike 46 years, daughters Marissa (Tom) & Stephanie, 2 grandchildren. Lifelong MI resident. Oakland County resident since 1974, White Lake since 1981; Dental Hygienist (1974-1996); Design, sales management, Accurate Woodworking, Inc.(1970-2003); State House Representative, 44th District (2009-2014); County Commissioner, 6th District (2003-2008, 2015-current). Member, Waterford & Huron Valley Chambers of Commerce, Huron Valley Optimist Club, Highland/White Lake Business Assoc., White Lake & Waterford Historical Societies, Pontiac/Waterford Elks Club, Church of the Holy Spirit. Currently serving as County Commissioner & member of Oakland County Finance Committee, Human Trafficking Taskforce, Covid-19 Impact on Seniors Taskforce, Airport Committee. I hope with the involvement in my community, along with the experience, knowledge, & leadership roles in many subject areas at the state & county levels over the years, I am better able to serve the residents of Oakland County.</p>	<p>1) Covid-19; Dealing with the repercussions of Covid-19 Adjusting & making amendments to our Oakland County 5-year plan</p> <p>2) Race relations; Beyond discussions</p> <p>3) Economic Recovery; Emerging Sectors</p>

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