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General Election to See Hall & Day Face Off in County Commission Race

Races Decided at Primary Include Hamilton for Sheriff, Paxon for County Commission

By Carlos Padilla
HERALD Reporter

At their special meeting held Friday, June 8, the Sierra County Commission canvassed votes from the Tuesday, June 5 Primary Election, and voted to approve the results as

presented by Sierra County Clerk Shelly Trujillo. Commission Vice Chair Frances Luna attended the meeting via telephone and Commissioner Sherry Fletcher was absent from the special meeting, leaving Commission Chairman Kenneth Lyon to preside over the short agenda.

PRIMARY NUMBERS

Tuesday's Primary Election ushered in changes in local representation for some statewide offices, while a number of officials running in local races either opted not to seek reelection or chose to run for office and hold on to their elected positions.

The County Commission District 2 race saw Democrat Willard Hall, with 502 votes, outpace Democratic challenger Walter Armijo, a previous County Commissioner, who garnered 308 votes. Meanwhile, on the GOP side, Travis L. Day received the lion's share of the Republican vote with an outstanding 906 votes, placing him ahead of John N. Cornell, who took 226 votes in the Primary contest for the District 2 seat on the Commission. The District 2 seat is presently held by Commission Chairman Kenneth Lyon,

who took office in 2015, and didn't seek re-election.

The race for the Sierra County Commission's District 1 post was solely a three-way Republican affair, with no Democratic challenger entering the race. James E. Paxon Jr. easily snatched the win with 648 votes, over challenger Terry G. Taylor (261 votes) and incumbent Commissioner Sherry Fletcher who managed to collect 259 votes despite dropping out of the race several weeks ago.

In the race for Sierra County Sheriff, the Republican Primary race was where it all took place. With the Democrats not having a candidate for sheriff, the Primary Election decided who will be Sierra County's top law enforcement official. Current Sheriff Glenn C. Hamilton secured 1,010 votes to overcome challenger Thomas E. Mosier, who acquired 199 votes in the race for Sheriff.

In the race for County Assessor, just 25 votes separated victory from loss between the two Republican candidates, with Michael D. Huston (573) squeaking past challenger Jeanne L. Tamez, who wasn't far behind, with 548 votes. Huston will face Democrat Guillermo "Spike" Hernandez in November's General Election showdown for the County Assessor post.

The race for Sierra County Magistrate Judge



SHERIFF
Glenn C. Hamilton



COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1
James E. Paxon Jr.



MAGISTRATE JUDGE
Alan Brown



COUNTY ASSESSOR
Michael D. Huston



COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICT 2 (D)
Willard Hall



COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICT 2 (R)
Travis L. Day

SIERRA COUNTY ELECTION WINNERS CONTESTED RACES

COUNTY COMMISSION

District 1 - Republican
James E. Paxon Jr. 648
Terry G. Taylor 261
Sherry L. Fletcher 259

District 2 - Republican
Travis L. Day 906
John N. Cornell 226

District 2 - Democrat
Willard Hall 502
Walter C. Armijo 308

COUNTY ASSESSOR
Republican
Michael D. Huston 573
Jeanne L. Tamez 548

COUNTY SHERIFF
Republican
Glenn C. Hamilton 1010
Thomas E. Mosier 199



TY RIED • FORMER GOLF PRO SIERRA del RIO

Golf Pro Says He's Suing City of EB in Wake of Firing

By Betsy Phillips
HERALD Reporter

Sierra del Rio Championship Golf Course Pro Ty Ried received a termination notice Wednesday, June 6, and chose the public forum of the council meeting to announce he would sue the City of Elephant Butte for wrongful termination.

Mayor Eunice Kent said with the threat of a lawsuit, she cannot comment except to say all due diligence was followed in Ried's termination. Ried stood at the podium in the council chamber and said he was subjected to a hostile work environment and said he would sue the City. He then began talking about another employee at the facility, making comments that seemingly have nothing



NEW POSITION - Melissa Apodaca was sworn into her new position as City Clerk by Elephant Butte Municipal Court Judge Terry Dalrymple following the resignation of Karen Rieth. Apodaca was moved up to the City Clerk position from her duties as Deputy Clerk.

HERALD photo/BETSY PHILLIPS

to do with his own employment. Ried then said, "You'll hear more later."

Ried had previously been placed on paid adminis-

trative leave and a search warrant was served on his home. The results of that

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CASA KIDS & CO. - A new store located at 370 N. Date St., is in business for a great cause. Stop in and see the wide selection of items. HERALD photo/CARLOS PADILLA

CASA Kids & Company Opens Doors Saturday

By Carlos Padilla
HERALD Reporter

You may have noticed a surge of activity near the intersection of North Date and Fourth streets over the

last several weeks - signs being erected, items arriving day and night, and a number of people bustling about inside the lit-up building after-hours.

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WEEKLY WEATHER WATCH 8-DAY FORECAST

WEDNESDAY JUNE 13	THURSDAY JUNE 14	FRIDAY JUNE 15	SATURDAY JUNE 16	SUNDAY JUNE 17	MONDAY JUNE 18	TUESDAY JUNE 19	WEDNESDAY JUNE 20	NEED PRINTING? Competitive Prices! Let Us Bid On Your Next Printing Job. The HERALD 1204 North Date PO Box 752 TorC, NM 87901
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