

Dear Vacancy Committee:

I am writing to express my support for appointment of Janelle Rettig to fill the remainder of Larry Meyers' term on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors.

Janelle Rettig stands out as a candidate who understands the issues of land use and water systems and these matters are important to rural county residents.

Her work to pass the conservation bond issue during the 2008 election is evidence of her initiative and willingness to work hard to represent the long term needs of county residents.

Her membership on the Iowa Natural Resources Commission, the Iowa City Airport Commission and the Johnson County Compensation Board and other groups speaks to her engagement in community policy matters.

Her experience working as treasurer for several groups, including Joe Bolckom for Senate and the League of Women Voters is evidence of her understanding of public finance.

In my view, these are some of the qualities that would be required in an interim appointment. I have found Janelle Rettig to be direct, engaging, energetic, hard working and committed to doing what makes sense for county residents.

I urge you to give her application for appointment to Johnson County Supervisor favorable consideration.

Regards, Paul

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