

# Castle Rock Chronicle

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## Castle Rock Chronicle

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## Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting of Castle Rock Township will be held Tuesday, March 13, 2007 at 8:15 p.m. following the election. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. What citizens recommend at the Annual meeting serves as a guideline for the Board of Supervisors to govern the Township. It is an opportunity for the public to become informed and involved in the governing of the Township.

## Township Question

Castle Rock residents will also have the opportunity to vote for the question of appointment of treasurer. "Shall Option B, providing for the appointment of the treasurer by the Castle Rock Town Board, be adopted for the government of the Town?"

*What this means is:* Currently the treasurer position is elected every two years by the residents of the Township. If the question passes, that would mean that the treasurer position would be appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

## Planning Commission

One of the Planning Commission member's three year term expires and will be filled by appointment by the Board of Supervisors at the Reorganizational Meeting on March 21, 2007. Please send a letter of interest to the Clerk's office by March 1, 2007, if you are interested in the position. Thank you.

## From the Desk of the Clerk

This past month, we lost a very devoted person of the Township, Shirley Dubbels. Every second Tuesday of the month, Shirley sat at the desk in the back of the hall and participated at the Township's regular meeting. Shirley also volunteered at the Town Hall working with the Communications Committee, cleaning the Town Hall, and picking up office supplies. Shirley will be missed.

After thirty years of service to Castle Rock Township, Roger Randall Treasurer, has announced his retirement when his term expires in March 2007. Thank you Roger for all your years of service.

**GET OUT AND VOTE ON MARCH 13, 2007 10:00 am – 8:00 pm**

## ELECTIONS

On March 13, 2007, residents of Castle Rock Township will have the opportunity to elect two Supervisors for three-year terms. The polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Candidate who filed for Supervisor A is Russell Zellmer. Candidates for Supervisor B are Michael Monroe Kiefer and Drea Doffing. The Castle Rock Chronicle Committee asked the candidates who are running for these positions to submit a short introduction of themselves, and the committee received the following: *The Town Board is not endorsing any candidates, nor bears responsibility for the validity or truthfulness of any of these statements.*

### CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR A: 3-YEAR TERM (currently held by Russell Zellmer)

**\*\*Russell Zellmer, 25473 Alverno Avenue, Farmington, MN 55024**

- I graduated from Farmington High School in 1982. Employed by Malt-O-Meal, Northfield, MN
- I have lived in Castle Rock Township all my life.
- My family has farmed in Castle Rock Township since 1960.
- My goals are to preserve the Township as a rural community by working with the surrounding municipalities to control growth and other outside pressures.

I have been serving on the Board of Supervisors for the past three years and am currently Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

### CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR B: 3-YEAR TERM (currently held by Paul Irrthum)

**\*\*Drea Doffing, 2255 225<sup>th</sup> Street W., Farmington, MN 55024**

**OCCUPATION:** Independent Contractor-Telephone and Electric Outside Plant-CAD drawings for cable layout (infrastructure), determine materials needed, meet project deadlines, and interact with various utilities – 11 years

**COMMUNITY WORK:**

1. Judicial Court Advocate-Supervised cases, prepared reports and made recommendations to the court – 8 years.
2. Chaired the Hastings Junior Miss Scholarship Program-Recruited and supervised up to 50 volunteers, solicited business donations for the scholarship program, and executed a successful scholarship fund each year – 4 years

With twenty plus years of leadership experience, I bring a variety of skills and insights to the Board of Supervisors.

My goals are:

- To work hard in preserving the integrity of Castle Rock Township and the rural atmosphere that we live in.
- To keep citizens informed in the township when concerns arise. Early intervention is a prerequisite to the preservation of Castle Rock Township's rural atmosphere.
- Listen to people's concerns and apply their concerns to the decisions I make.

**\*\*Michael Monroe Kiefer M.S., 22320 Albatross Circle, Farmington, MN 55024**

**BACKGROUND:** B.S. Buffalo, N.Y. Genetics and Psychology, M.S. Texas A&M University Genetics, 7 years DNA Fingerprint Scientist, Northrup King Seed Co.

**CURRENT OPERATION:** Personality Profiling and Law Enforcement Trainer, Century College, Adjunct Professor.

I am a fierce advocate of citizens rights, enforcing Castle Rock's comprehensive plan and zoning ordinances, government by the people for the people. I have rallied citizens and banded people together for a common cause at the county commissioners meetings to defend our township from public safety and environmental threats. I have created awareness through newspaper and television campaigns to help citizens of Castle Rock. If elected I will represent the citizens of Castle Rock to maintain a safe, peaceful place for our families, protect our property values and agricultural heritage.

### CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER: 2-YEAR TERM (currently held by Roger Randall)

**\*\*Colette Mumm, 1055 230<sup>th</sup> Street West, Farmington, MN 55024**

- Resident of Castle Rock Township for years.
- Graduate of North Dakota State University with a minor in business and a major in textiles.
- Owned and operated retail storefront in Cannon Falls from 2000-2007.
- Currently am self-employed as an upholsterer out of my home.
- Have been a member of the Dakota Ringnecks Pheasant Forever organization for 10 years, having chaired or co-chaired the annual fundraising banquet for 5 years.
- Throughout my life I have strived to do the best at whatever I undertake. My strengths are my organizational and people skills; and my ability to resolve problems using creative solutions. If elected, I will work to the best of my abilities to keep Castle Rock Township a great place to live and work for my family and yours!