

Local filing starts strong

Local candidate filing began in Blue Earth and Nicollet counties Tuesday as 17 people declared their intention for elective office — including eight nonincumbents.

In Mankato, Christopher Frederick filed for mayor.

Incumbent John Brady has said he intends to re-file.

Three people filed for the 1st Ward seat, which will be vacated by incumbent Vance Stuehrenberg.

They were, in order of filing: Tim Adams, Eric Anderson and Cynthia Frederick. The field will be winnowed down to two competitors in an Aug. 10 primary.

Ward 3 incumbent Mark Frost filed, as did challenger Carie Robb.

There are as of yet no competitive races on the Blue Earth County Board, where Stuehrenberg filed for the 2nd District.

Incumbent Tom McLaughlin has said he will not re-file for the seat.

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Commissioner Will Purvis filed for his 4th District seat. County Attorney Ross Arneson and Sheriff Brad Peterson also filed for their respective positions.

Filing in North Mankato and St. Peter does not yet begin.

In Nicollet County, commissioners Jack Kolars and Bruce Beatty filed for their County Board seats in the 3rd and 5th districts.

In the 1st District, currently represented by Judy Hanson, two people filed: Terry Genelin and Tom Conlon.

Sheriff Dave Lange and Recorder Kathryn Conlon also filed. The recorder issues marriage certificates, files liens and records real estate documents, among other duties.

This filing period ends at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1.

To file, visit the Blue Earth County License Center at 410 S. 5th Street.