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Q1 Name: First and Last

Kenneth Grenier

Q2 BIOGRAPHY: Please provide a brief bio that describes your background and the particular skills you would bring to the County Board of Supervisors.

I have lived in the county for 50+ years and have had 30+ years managerial experience at both Deere & Co and St Ambrose University - I have an MBA from Iowa and believe my strengths in being analytical and financially aware can contribute to me being an asset to the County Board

Q3 What are the most pressing issues or opportunities for Rock Island County in the next several years and why?

The most pressing issues in my mind facing RI County are financial stability and transparency in decision making

Q4 What changes or reforms to Rock Island County government would you like to implement in the next several years?

Not having all the facts I can't identify particular reforms at this time. I do feel strongly that the size of the RI County Board is to large - Scott County gets the job done with a board about 1/3 the size

Q5 Would you support Rock Island County investing in regional marketing/economic development with other local governments and the business community through Quad Cities First, which is the economic development division of the Quad Cities Chamber?

Yes - through inter-governmental cooperation growth and economic development opportunities are enhanced

Q6 Describe your general philosophy on annexation and partnering with other local governments to develop industrial sites.

Partnering is a good idea - annexation would need to be determined on a case by case basis

Q7 Name two areas of government consolidation/shared services you would support, and how these would be beneficial to taxpayers.

I don't have enough information at this time to answer this question rationally

Q8 What do you see as the best long-term plan for Hope Creek - to sell; to contract with a private provider to operate; to continue owning/operating? Please elaborate.

The strength of RI County is the administration of services for the public good. Operation and management of a Health Care facility is inconsistent with the county's mission. I would not oppose the sale of Hope Creek under favorable terms

Q9 Do you support sale, renovation, demolition or some other definitive plan for the Courthouse?

I believe this issue will be settled long before the election - but I support the demolition of the Courthouse based on my understanding the financial constraints facing the county

Q10 What is the best model for the long-term success of Niabi Zoo - public; public-private partnership; other? Please explain.

No opinion - I have no data / facts at this time to form one,

Q11 Where would you like the County Board to concentrate its regional efforts? Check all that apply.

- Implementation of Q2030 Regional Action Plan**
 - Regional Economic Development**
 - Tourism**
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