

2020 Sheriffs Election: Sheriff McBrayer Endorsement

As most of you know, I will be retiring at the end of this year and have been asked by many people in our county to give my opinion on who Henry County's next Sheriff should be. Henry County has had only two Sheriffs in the past 38 years. It is important to wisely consider our choice as we elect our county's next Sheriff.

First, I must say that a Sheriff represents all of the people in a county. They should never be partisan. You should not have to make a choice between Democrat or Republican in order to run for the Office of Sheriff. However, the law requires that a Sheriff pick a political party in which to qualify. I feel that all Sheriffs in the state should be on a ballot as non-partisan, but we must follow the current law as it is written. The next Sheriff of Henry County will have a huge amount of responsibility. He will operate a budget of more than 30 million dollars, oversee over 13,000 people coming through the booking process of the jail, as well as supervise the work of over 340 dedicated employees. This is not a job for a novice. They must know how a Sheriff's Office operates. They must know the law. They must have excellent leadership skills, administrative experience, and most importantly, unquestionable character. Just because someone signs up to be on the ballot doesn't mean they are qualified.

I have seriously considered the qualifications of the candidates running for Sheriff and have decided to share my personal opinion on the matter.

In the Republican Primary, I feel Jack Redlinger is the most qualified.

I have invested 45 years into this agency and our county. This election is too important for me to sit on the sideline and not give my opinion.

Henry County's next Sheriff must serve with honor, integrity, and dignity. Nothing else is acceptable.

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