



KRSL/KZRS Russell Radio Election 2024 Candidate Questionnaire

1. What is your name and what position are you running for? Dean Haselhorst, Russell County Commissioner District 4.
2. Talk briefly about your work experience, public service and private sector.
I have 12 years experience of being an Ellis County Commissioner, and three years of experience on planning and zoning. I was chosen to be construction project manager for the remodeling of the jail, the courthouse, and building a new fire station for Ellis County. I have three years experience with Kansas Association of Counties board representing 105 counties. I am a volunteer fire fighter. I have been on multiple boards, and been involved with many organizations. I have been a part of the Knights of Columbus since 1981, holding multiple offices on the local and state level. I attended Russell County schools, graduating from Gorham High School. I have 40+ years of oil field experience, and I've been involved on the family farm 55+ years. I have enjoyed numerous hours of volunteer work with my wife of 34 years. We have 3 children, one of which is married and have our first grandchild.
3. Why are you running for this position?
Owning both residential and agricultural property in Russell County, I would like to be part of helping Russell County thrive. By working with economic development on Grant writing and meeting with businesses that would have an interest in coming to Russell County we could accomplish that. I want to help all communities thrive within our county. I will assist in looking at all options in Grant writing to help fund our county and relieve the Russell County taxpayers of increased taxes to help stabilize, and keep the mill levy steady.
4. What goals or ideas do you have that you would work toward if elected?
I believe in Grant writing for all departments, there are many resources out there available to help with internal projects. I also believe in helping to keep our jail population down. I assisted in initiating a program in Ellis County that has been very successful, with over 60% graduating from this program. The program has helped save the county a lot of money, and has also kept the jail population lower. I would also like to work with our GIS department updating our county coordinates so when our emergency personnel is dispatched they have the exact location of where the emergency is located, allowing them to have a quicker response time. I would like to see the county radio system updated. Going to the state system would allow us to work with adjoining counties from mutual aid where personnel can all communicate together whether being on a fire or other emergencies.
5. Anything else about yourself you would like to mention? I am very excited to serve Russell County and help with the growth. Make your vote count, you choose the candidate to represent you, the voter, in the November general election, not six people from the Republican party committee. Thank you for your vote for District 4, County Commissioner, Dean Haselhorst.

Please type responses in this form if possible and email the form to david@krsl.com or bring it to the KRSL/KZRS Studios at 1984 North Main in Russell by Wednesday, July