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Stoddard County August 2024 Primary Results

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The Stoddard County August 6th Primary Unofficial results have been counted. There are 19,820 registered voters in Stoddard County with only 6,076 actually voting in the primary. That is only 30.66% voter turn-out.

The following are Stoddard County results and are unofficial until the Clerk's office certifies the results which usually occurs on Friday after an election.

Party Distribution for Stoddard County: Non-Partisan 8 ballots Republican Party 5,733 ballots Democratic Party 330 ballots Libertarian Party 5 ballots

In the three-way Commissioner District II race, Wes Howard defeated Carol Jarrell and Jeff Riddle. Howard received 1,446 of the 2,901 votes cast.

Jarrell received 762 and Riddle received 693. Howard will be sworn in December to take over January 1, 2025.

In the sheriff's race, incumbant Carl Hefner retained his spot defeating Thomas Forkum by only 515 votes. Forkum received 2,588 and Hefner received 3,103 making Hefner the winner.

In the County Coroner's race, incumbent Brent Stidham received 4,057 to Charlie Robertson's 1,281 giving Stidham another four years in office.

In the other local contested election the Circuit Judge Circuit 35 will be decided with not just Stoddard County votes, but also Dunklin and Pemiscot counties have a say in this race. Daren Todd received 1,097 votes and Robert Mayer received 4,456 votes. Mr. Mayer won Stoddard County. Mayer will age out in two years and a

new judge will be have to be appointed by the Governor for the remainder of his four year term.

For statewide results click HERE.

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A joint Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) opens Tuesday morning in Dexter, Missouri to give storm survivors an opportunity to talk face-to-face with disaster recovery specialists.

The center is located at the Bootheel Regional Planning Commission Building, 105 E. North Main St. in Dexter, and will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. until further notice. The center will be closed on Sundays.

DRCs are a one-stop shop for disaster survivors who have applied with FEMA and need to present additional documentation or just have questions about the status of their cases. In addition to FEMA staff, representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will be on hand to help survivors apply for low-interest disaster loans to help fund recovery efforts.

Survivors are encouraged to apply with FEMA before visiting a DRC to get the process going as quickly as possible. For those who need help to apply, DRC staff can assist survivors on the spot. For those who are blind or low-vision, or Deaf or hard-of-hearing, assistive devices are available at the centers as well.

Here are the 3 best ways to apply:

§ Online: www.disasterassistance.gov
 § Phone: 800-621-FEMA (3362)
 § Download and use the FEMA app

Anyone using a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, can give FEMA the number for that service. FEMA also can connect survivors by phone with language interpreters who can help complete their application or answer questions.

Dexter is the second location to host a DRC in recent days. A center was opened Aug. 1 in Sikeston at the YMCA, 511 Taylor St. with the same hours of operation: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays until further notice, and closed Sundays.

Disaster survivors can go to any DRC for assistance, even if it is not in the county in which they live. DRC services are FREE.

Federal assistance to individuals and households can be in the form of grants to: find a temporary place to live, make minimal home repairs and/or to replace certain personal property. Eligible survivors who need accessibility equipment also may benefit from these grants.

The FEMA assistance, granted July 23 by President Biden, helps eligible homeowners, renters and self-employed business owners in 10 Missouri counties who were impacted by the May 19-27 severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding.

The 10 counties are: Barry, Butler, Carter, Howell, New Madrid, Ripley, Scott, Shannon, Stoddard and Texas.

For more disaster-related information, visit the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency online at www.sema.dps.mo.gov or FEMA at www.fema.gov and www.fema.gov/disaster/4803.

FEMA is committed to ensuring disaster assistance is accomplished equitably, without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status.

Any disaster survivor or member of the public may contact the FEMA Office of Civil Rights if they feel that they have a complaint of discrimination. FEMA's Office of Civil Rights can be contacted at <u>FEMA-CivilRightsOffice@fema.dhs.gov</u> or toll-free at 833-285-7448. Multilingual operators are available.

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INVITATION TO BID

Owner: City of Dexter 301 E. Stoddard St. Dexter, MO 63841

Separate sealed bids for the Dexter Shared Use Path – Phase III, TAP-2301 (005), to serve the City of Dexter will be received by the City Clerk at City Hall, until $\underline{10:00}$ A.M., on August 21, 2024 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The address of the City Hall is 301 E. Stoddard St., Dexter MO 63841.

The project shall consist of:

The project will add additional Shared Use Path(s) in Boon Park, then connect Boon Park to Dexter Middle and Elementary Schools. Project will consist of providing a 10-foot wide concrete paved walking trail, a 10-foot wide gravel cross country trail, stormwater pipes and inlets, demolition and removals, earthwork and grading, striping and signage, seeding and mulching, and temporary traffic control.

The Information for Bidders, Bid Form, Bid Bond Form, Agreement (Construction Contract) Form, Performance Bond Form, Payment Bond Form, and other contract documents may be examined at:

- 1. S.H. Smith & Co., Inc., 901 Vine Street, P.O. Box 72, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901
- 2. City of Dexter, 301 E. Stoddard St., Dexter, MO 63841

Complete digital project bidding documents are available for a non-refundable fee of \$40.00 by going to our website www.shsmithco.com and clicking on "Bidding Projects" in the lower left-hand corner of the screen under "Quick Links". Please contact our partner QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Paper specifications and plans can be made available within 48 hours by contacting our office at 573-785-9621, for a non-refundable fee of \$150.00. Direct questions to Justin Roberts with S.H. Smith & Co., Inc. Bid Results will be posted online by 5 P.M. the following day. You may also call our office and request a faxed copy.

The DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) contract goals for the amount of work to be awarded for the Dexter Shared Use Path – Phase III is 3% of the total project price. The bidder shall also complete the DBE Identification Submittal forms in accordance with the General Provisions. Missouri Law, 292.675 RSMO, requires any awarded contractor and its subcontractor(s) to provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Construction Safety Program for their on-site employees.

The Owner must award the project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, however the owner may reject all bids. All bidders are required to use the pre-qualification process outlined by MoDOT. See the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, Section 102 for additional information. Each Bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the bid opening.

The City of Dexter hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Date:	July 24, 2024	David Wyman	
			City Administrator

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MO Route 25 in Stoddard County will be reduced as Missouri Department of Transportation crews replace a culvert under the roadway. As work is underway, southbound traffic will be shifted to a head-to-head configuration in the northbound lanes.

This section of roadway is located from County Road 511 to U.S. Route 60 near Dexter, Missouri.

Weather permitting, work will take place Monday, Aug. 5 through Friday, Aug. 9 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The work zone will be marked with signs. Motorists are urged to use extreme caution while traveling near the area.

For additional information, contact MoDOT's?Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT

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The Dexter Board of Aldermen will meet on Monday, August 5th at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building with Mayor Mark Snider presiding over the meeting. The building is

located at 119 Vine St. in Dexter. If you have questions you may call (573) 624-5959.

Below is a tentative Agenda for the meeting.

Next Ordinance Number 5149 Next Resolution Number 2024.04

Called to Order by Mayor

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting 7/1/2024

Citizens' Input

City Auditor's Report ~June 2024

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Library

Building/Grounds

Fire

Park& Recreation

Water/Wastewater

City Engineer's Report

Economic Development Report

City Clerk's Report ~ Disbursements July 2024

City Administrator's Report

Mayor's Report ~Liquor application ~ Okie Hibachi & Sushi, 903 Bus. Hwy. 60 W, 5%. Beer/Restaurant/5% by drink/up to 14% Wine

Aldermanic Forum

Adjourn

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