

## Julie Lammers

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**From:** Terry Jellison <tmcdjelly@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 2:11 PM  
**To:** Julie Lammers  
**Subject:** City Council Agenda Request

Hello,

I am providing a copy of a letter, I sent to the editor of the Pelican Rapids Press, to your township, or city, as it pertains to all voters in District 2 of Otter Tail County.

Please place this letter on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled board meeting of your township or city council meeting. I request that your township board, or city council, discuss the points made in this letter and make it available to all voters, through traditional posting policy in effect, and/or electronic means, including text and email.

A courtesy response via email, acknowledging receipt of this letter is requested and appreciated.

Thank you,

  
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To the Editor:

"Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country" was a phrase hammered out by many Minnesota junior high school students in their typing classes back in the '70s.

But for the next four years in Pelican Rapids: "Now is the time for one good man to come to the aid of his city" is a phrase that the Pelican Rapids City Council and the voters of District 2 in Otter Tail County need to seriously consider. So does one good man, by the name of Wayne Johnson.

The Pelican Rapids City Council needs to hire Wayne Johnson as economic development director immediately! Given twelve years of experience as County Commissioner, who else other than Wayne Johnson, is better qualified to guide Pelican Rapids during the next four years and beyond. Mr. Johnson can use his county and state experience and contacts to steer Pelican Rapids through the hell it is going to go through during the 59/108 Project. Don't forget- Mr. Johnson is also among the best in the septic system business in the state, another important professional qualification of extreme importance to have while the entire water and sewer systems of Pelican Rapids are being overhauled. I challenge anyone, and everyone, in Pelican Rapids to name a better qualified person for this job other than Wayne Johnson!

To the voters of District 2, with the majority living in Pelican Rapids, you need to know that Wayne Johnson will still have a large influence in Otter Tail County without serving as a county commissioner. How can that be? Wayne's wife Dena, is a board member of the Otter Tail County Community Development Agency, where she also serves as treasurer. Mrs. Johnson began her first term, of three years, in 2019. This term will expire at the end of this year, but according to CDA guidelines, she can be appointed for another six-year term. This means, if Mrs. Johnson is willing, she can serve another six-year term ending in 2029. Mr. Johnson can advise Mrs. Johnson regarding Community Development Agency issues, maintaining his influence without being a Commissioner. I urge the voters of District 2 to respectfully request Mrs. Johnson to stay on the CDA until 2029, so Mr. Johnson can offer his service where it is more needed, now more than ever, in Pelican Rapids.

Talk about a win-win!

Let the discussions among the city leaders of Pelican Rapids and the voters of District 2 begin. The choice is up to them.

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