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Jayne Hager Dee Announces Re-election Candidacy for Soil and Water Board

Jayne Hager Dee, of Northfield, announces that she is a candidate for re-election as the Supervisor for the Dakota County Soil and Water Conservation District Board (DCSWCD), District 5, which includes the cities of Lakeville and Farmington; Empire, Eureka, Castle Rock, Greenvale, Waterford and Sciota Townships; and a portion of Northfield. Dee was first elected as the District 5 Supervisor in 2016. She has served as Treasurer of the DSWCD Board for two years.

Dee is the retired Regional Director for the Farmington Regional Office of the University of Minnesota Extension. She had responsibility for Extension programming, personnel, and finances in southern Minnesota, including Extension operations in Dakota County. Previously a faculty member and Assistant Director of the North Central Regional Center for Rural Development at Iowa State University, Dee joined the University of Minnesota in 1998. She retired in 2012.

While with the Extension, Dee supervised an environmental education program, nutrition programming, Master Gardeners' programs, agriculture/livestock educators, and the 4-H program. Her extensive, hands-on experience directing programming related to agriculture

and water quality informs her familiarity with local and regional conservation issues. In addition, she has an in-depth knowledge of state rules, federal policy, non-profit environmental groups, local water quality projects and local government partnerships, after two years of setting policy at DCSWCD.

Dee has previous policymaking and elected office experience, having served as a County Supervisor (Commissioner) and school board member in Iowa. In Minnesota, she has served on the Minnesota Board on Aging, the Minnesota Public Radio Twin Cities Community Advisory Council, the Northfield Library Board, the Northfield Charter Commission and the SELCO Regional Library Board. She is currently a board member of the Community Action Center of Northfield, a member of the Northfield Housing and Redevelopment Authority, and is a member of Northfield Rotary. Dee is married with two sons and two granddaughters.

Dakota County residents will vote for DCSWCD Board Supervisors in the General Elections in November.

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