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Sec. Gale calls for special election to replace Elmwood board members

LINCOLN – Secretary of State John Gale is requesting that a special election be held in order to fill three vacancies on the Elmwood Village Board in Elmwood, Nebraska. Interested candidates have until November 9 to file for office. The election will take place on December 12, 2017.

State law gives the Secretary of State authority to call for a special election if one-half or more of the seats are vacated on a city council or village board. Three of the five board members recently resigned in Elmwood. Sec. Gale has sent a letter to Cass County Election Commissioner Nancy Josoff asking her to publish notice of the special election as soon as possible.

In order to appear on the ballot, candidates must be registered voters in Elmwood. Filings must be received in the Cass County Election Office by the close of business on November 9. The election will involve two separate races. One race will include the selection of two board members whose terms will expire in December of 2018. The second race is for a third board member whose seat will expire in December of 2020.

If no one files for office in either of those races, the election will be determined by write-in votes. Candidates receiving the greatest number of votes in both races will be elected to the board.

A determination has not yet been made as to whether the election will be held at the polls or by mail.

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