

Longtime commissioner files for Hiawatha mayor
(KNZA)--Longtime Hiawatha City Commissioner Bill Collins is seeking election to the position of mayor.

The Brown County Clerk's Office says Collins, who currently serves as commissioner of finance, filed Monday. He has served on the Commission since 1993.

Collins is the first candidate to file for mayor.

He ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 2015, losing by just a two-vote margin to current Mayor Dr. Steffen Shamburg.

Shamburg has announced he will not be seeking re-election and plans to step down in June. The Commission will have to appoint an interim mayor to serve until January.

The position of mayor along with the position of commissioner of finance are up for election in November.

Candidates have until noon, June 1st to file at the Brown County Clerk's Office.

The primary election will be held August 7th and the general election is November 6th.