Jackson and Nemaha Co Primary Election Results

(KNZA)--Jackson County voters Tuesday approved a new countywide 4-tenths of a percent retailer's sales tax for road and bridge improvements.

The issue was approved by a more than 300 vote margin.

The tax will take effect October 1st and last seven years.

In contested county races, Jim Honn won a three-way race on the Republican ticket for sheriff with 44 percent of the vote. Cory Shields garnered 41 percent of the vote and Bob McNicholas 15 percent. Honn will face incumbent Democratic Sheriff Tim Morse in November.

Janet Zwonitzer won a 4-way race in the Republican primary for 2nd District county commissioner. Zwonitzer will now face Democrat Harold Kennedy in November.

Former commissioner Brad Hamilton won the Republican nomination for 3rd District county commissioner defeating incumbent Larry Fenske by an 81-vote margin.

Hamilton will face Bill Elmer in November. Elmer won the Democratic primary defeating former commissioner Roy Ogden.

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In Nemaha County, there was one contested county race. Incumbent Sheriff Rich Vernon easily won the Republican primary defeating challenger Dennis Thompson. Vernon will face Democrat Tom Schleif in November.

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