Rulo Recall Election Scheduled

(KLZA)-- Tuesday, August 15th is the date of a recall election in the Village of Rulo.

Registered voters will cast a "yes" or "no" vote on the ballot question: "Shall Quincey L. Smith be removed from his position as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rulo?"

Voting will take place at the Rulo Library from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Early voting ballots will be available July 31, for voters who will not be able to vote at the polls on August 15. Registered voters may also vote early in person at the County Clerk's Office beginning July 31 through 5:00 p.m. August 14th.

Early ballots may also be obtained from the County Clerk's Office.

Voter registration will be taken at the County Clerk's Office at the Courthouse in Falls City during regular business hours for those not previously registered and wanting to vote in this election, until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, August 4.

Quincey Smith is Chairperson of the Village Board of Rulo.

Kevin Barber was the principal circulator of the recall petition. The statement of reasons for the recall effort includes violation of the open meeting act. Operating village equipment without proper training and breaking bid contracts.

In a statement of defense, Smith sites his experience as an Army engineer as training to run equipment, denies violating the open meetings act and said he is not aware of bid contracts being violated.

In addition, in his response, Smith requested a full audit of all Village of Rulo records for the past five years, alleging a conflict of interest by Barber.

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