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Lenzmeier is valuable as Stearns commissioner

I cannot vote for Stearns County commissioners, but I believe Leigh Lenzmeier should be re-elected in District 4. I have worked in St. Cloud for 18 years and have known Leigh as a dedicated public servant.

Lenzmeier has been and continues to be a strong advocate for public safety. Several projects such as the radio interoperability communication system, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee and the St. Cloud police building project are designed to enhance communication, increase efficiency and provide better public service.

The statewide radio project sets a standard and allows public safety to communicate during critical situations. It provides efficient, effective service to you.

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee provides comprehensive planning to reduce jail crowding and bring about systemic change in the way law enforcement, prosecution, public defense, courts, jails, corrections and government administration operate the criminal justice system and specifically jail resources.

The police building project is designed to enhance public services to the community and is providing jobs for local businesses and contractors. Lenzmeier supports a collaborative approach to reducing redundant services and stresses fiscal responsibility in all aspects of public service.

The commissioner's honesty, integrity and hands-on approach is a clear demonstration of his dedication to the citizens of Stearns County and city of St. Cloud. I believe Lenzmeier's ability to lead and direct has greatly enhanced the safety and security of our community. Please vote for Leigh Lenzmeier.

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