

**Watchmen Voter Guide for Shoshone County Commissioner District 2**

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	<a href="#">David R. Dose</a>	Jay L. Huber
<b>1.</b> What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?	David R. Dose, running for Commissioner, Dist. 2, Shoshone County. I served in this same position 29 years ago and it is my desire to run again to finish some of the things I set out to accomplish the first time, like lower taxes, an emphasis on stewardship and careful planning for our future, etc. It is also my strong desire to try and be a positive example of what Christians serving in office in our country can do for the good of the country. I want to have a powerful impact and a lasting testimony for God's glory and the good of my fellow county residents while in office this time around, even more so than the last time.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>2.</b> When do you believe life begins and how does this belief affect your executive decision making?	Life begins at conception and abortion is murder. And while abortion does not come up often as an issue for county commissioners, my beliefs about life inform my priorities and attitudes towards all stages of life. I am a strong supporter of alternatives to abortion like Pregnancy resources, etc. and this also affects the way I see the world and operate. I am a trustee for Hope Pregnancy Resource Center and believe in spending my spare time and funds on helping provide alternatives to abortion in Idaho.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>3.</b> What is your opinion of eminent domain? Under what circumstances do you believe it should be used?	Eminent Domain needs to be used sparingly and as strictly limited by Idaho statutes; 'for the greatest public good and with the least private injury'. I did not use eminent domain during my last term as commissioner. It can be very difficult to get to a win-win negotiation. It is a useful tool for a very limited number of scenarios, but must be used with great attention to State Law.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>4.</b> Do you support or oppose forced annexation? Why or why not?	I don't have a solid opinion of this item as it has never come up within the scope of the county commissioner position.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>5.</b> Our county is growing very rapidly, where do you see we need to improve infrastructure and what are your plans to improve it?	Shoshone County needs a strong Planning department, staffed with a knowledgeable professional to provide guidance as we face unprecedented growth that is competing for the remaining flat ground in the county now. We need proactive responses to the huge number of visitors our county experiences annually, in particular in the summer months. Our road and solid waste infrastructure are not keeping up with the demand. I plan to focus my energies on problem solving, perhaps with the help of a citizens' committee, for the purpose of developing 1,2 and 5 year plans immediately, and then coming up with 10 and 20 year plans to channel and manage growth in a way that is positive for all - residents here now and those to come.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>

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<b>6.</b> Due to the rapid growth in our communities, our schools are reaching maximum capacity. What are your plans to accommodate more schools to meet the growing needs of the increased population?	In Shoshone county, our existing schools handled larger numbers of students in the past than they do now. I have not heard of overcrowding being an issue for our schools as of yet.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>7.</b> Do you support or oppose Urban Renewal Districts? Why or why not?	I support urban renewal districts in the right circumstances. I have not studied them in enough detail to comment further as the issue has not come up much in Shoshone County to date.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>8.</b> Do you support or oppose requirements for developers to pay for community infrastructure?	When done fairly, I am in total support of having developers help pay for infrastructure. In our county right now, existing tax payers are paying for the majority of the infrastructure which is being stressed by new development and increased population.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>9.</b> In your opinion, if elected, who do you see yourself accountable to and why?	The last time I filled the County commissioner Position in 1991-93, I developed a philosophy of being accountable to the constituents who put me into office first, and then to the entire county constituency second.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>10.</b> Do you support or oppose the idea of a county manager? Why or why not?	Again, I have not studied this idea out in great depth as we have not had discussions in Shoshone County regarding this previously. IN my very limited opinion, it is not needed in Shoshone County at this time. The current system can function just fine.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>11.</b> With the rapid growth of the county, do you think we need more commissioners?	In Shoshone County, no. When I served in this position in 91-93, it was a part time, 1 day a week job for three people. I think we have more than enough manpower to get the job done as we are with the current 3 member board.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>

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<b>12.</b> In recent years some groups have advocated for legalizing marijuana in our state, do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?	I do not support legalization of this gateway drug. In my own research, I have seen where the human cost in quality of life, increasingly serious drug use encouraged, and increase in the number of drug-related accidents and incidents do not make this a profitable move. I have been approached by supporters of this idea who believe the increase in tax revenues makes it worth it. It does not in my opinion.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>13.</b> Do you believe the ARPA funds come with Federal requirements that might conflict with Idaho values? Why or why not? How will you advocate for the funds to be used locally?	I believe ARPA funds are borrowed from our future generations, and thus, should only be used for long-range items that will benefit future generations.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>14.</b> Do you believe the six Row Officers (assessor, sheriff, prosecuting attorney, treasurer, coroner, and clerk) should be appointed or stay elected? Why or why not?	I lean towards keeping these positions elected, with the idea that the elected officials will always keep their constituents in mind and represent their interests more accurately than if they were appointed and less accountable.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>
<b>15.</b> What is your background and why do you believe it qualifies you for this position?	I am a former County Commissioner who has held this position for 1 term previously. I have a good understanding of the job and its requirements. I also have a good track record for cutting taxes, standing up for the landowners, and making county government more accountable to the constituency through better transparency, better press coverage, proper use of open meetings, etc. It has been nearly 30 years since I last filled this job. In that time, I have worked for all levels of government from school district, to county, state and up through and including federal. I have also started and operated 2 private businesses which has made me much more of an advocate for the small businessman in our community. I feel that I have more to offer this time around and I am looking forward to serving my fellow county residents once again.	<b>Declined To Respond</b>