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GOP Rallies Behind Roger Reynolds

Liberty Township Fiscal Officer Appointed County Auditor

FAIRFIELD, OHIO – Running on a platform of fiscal conservatism and the pledge to be a full-time Auditor, Liberty Township Fiscal Officer Roger Reynolds was appointed Butler County Auditor Tuesday night by the county’s Republican Party Central Committee members.

Upon the announcement that he carried 63 percent of the vote in besting state Rep. Courtney Combs, R-Hamilton, and Miami University faculty member Bob Weber, Reynolds immediately resigned his position with Liberty Township and was sworn in by Judge Patricia Oney as the next Butler County Auditor.

Reynolds received support from 124 of the 196 members of the Central Committee who cast a vote. Combs garnered 71 votes and Weber won one vote.

By performing his duties with integrity and professionalism, Reynolds said he plans to restore the public’s trust in the Auditor’s Office. Reynolds succeeds Kay Rogers, who resigned in March.

“I’ll use my experience to hit the ground running and make an immediate impact,” Reynolds told the gathered media soon after his swearing-in, adding that he planned to meet with fellow office holders and staff members to determine what changes need to be made.

With an election to fill the two-year unexpired term resulting from Rogers’ resignation upcoming in November, the party rallied behind Reynolds after the appointment.

“After we walk out of this room we can be united and we can win, and we will win,” said GOP Executive Director Scott Owens.

While focusing on the task at hand, to serve the citizens of Butler County in the most efficient and effective ways possible as their Auditor, Reynolds said he believes his work ethic, his professional background as a Certified Public Accountant and Certified Governmental Financial Manager, and his years of service as Liberty Township’s Chief Fiscal Officer will find favor with the public.

“There’s work to be done and I’m up to the task,” Reynolds said. “The residents of this county deserve an Auditor that is energetic, committed to working full time on their behalf and diligent in looking for and providing tax dollar savings. I’m excited that I now have the opportunity to meet those expectations.”