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Two incumbent trustees vie for Rossville mayor's chair

ROSSVILLE—No matter who wins, a new mayor will be named following Tuesday's municipal election in Rossville.

Long-time mayor Terry Prillaman opted not to run, leading to two trustees hoping to become the village's top elected official.

Richard Queen, 72, has been a trustee for eight years and currently serves as chairman of the public improvements/streetlights committee.

Nancy Null, 66, is in her sixth year as a trustee, and is chairman of the finance/purchasing/licensing committee, has served on the gas, police and water committees, and

serves as deputy mayor.

In a candidate questionnaire, both Null and Queen responded that vacant downtown buildings are a top issue facing Rossville.

Other issues Null sees include promoting and selling remaining subdivision lots, attracting additional businesses to Rossville and adding an additional extension of water lines and infrastructure. To accomplish this, Null would pursue all grand and financing opportunities that are available, being especially attentive to spending and the budget, especially in light of delinquent state payments.

Queen rounded out his list of issues with wanting to see extended hours of police protection and the need for some kind of recycling program in the village.

An Army veteran, Queen is a retired painter and currently is president of Rossville Community Organization. He is married and the father of six adult children and six grandchildren.

"I want what is best for Rossville - not what is best for me," he said, citing his eight years as trustee will be an asset if elected mayor.

Null has an associate degree from Danville Area Com-
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munity College, with additional credit hours in accounting. She is a part time teller at Bank of Rossville and has served as office manager and human resources manager at other companies.

As assets she will bring to the mayor's office, Null cites her background in accounting and business management; her tenure as finance committee chairman, where she creates a balanced budget annually; successful grant writing experience, including a \$100,000 Rural Development grant for downtown sidewalks and co-

wrote two state grants for the water main extension project totaling \$100,000.

Null has served as youth group leader, vacation bible

school teacher and a 4-H leader. Her daughter, Melissa, lives in Texas. She and her husband are parents to Null's three grandchildren.

Police News

A 63-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 2:14 p.m. Tuesday that someone removed several items from his garage in the 500 block of North Seventh Ave.

Raquel Torres, 43, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 12:50 a.m. Wednesday in the 300 block of South Market. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear for jury trial and an Iroquois County warrant for failure to appear, she was taken to the Public Safety

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