



KRSL/KZRS Russell Radio Election 2024 Candidate Questionnaire

1. What is your name and what position are you running for?

Alan Kuntzsch
Russell County Commissioner Dist. 5

2. Talk briefly about your work experience, public service and private sector.

Russel County Public Works Director

Oct 2018-Current

Road & Bridge Supervisor
Russell, KS

- Management of 4 budgets
 - Road & Bridge Budget
 - Special Road & Bridge Budget
 - Special Bridge Budget
 - Landfill Budget
- Supervised 23 employees to include scheduling
- Approved spending of budgets
- Implemented project plans
- Sign, Culvert, road and bridge maintenance
- Responsible for assisting with the planning, organization, & direction of all activities and staff related to the County's road construction and maintenance
- Oversee patching, overlaying, sealing, mowing, traffic, brush, snow, and ice control for county roads.
- Knowledge of principles and practices of accounting, budget development, and administration.

Russell County Commissioner

Jan 2011-Oct 2018

Russell, KS

- Assisted with the management, development, and set up of the new County Courthouse renovations.
- Approve budgets,
- Oversee spending
- Approved spending
- Worked with the community members to resolve concerns
- Worked with community members to bring change to the county in order to better serve the population and economy such as movement of EMS to county direction, and upgrades to the 911 communication center and equipment.

City of Bunker Hill (Council member & Mayor)

1999-2009

Mayor: Jan 2024- Current

Council member 8 year, Mayor 2 1/2 years
Bunker Hill, KS

Approved spending for the city
Repaired water leaks throughout the city
Operated gas meter readings

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Overseeing the operations of the city to include timely billing and payments
Assisted with budgeting and spending for the city
Ensured proper operations of the coun

3. Why are you running for this position?

I am running for the position because I believe that in order to get the new 5 man board up and running properly, we need commissioners who have a background not only in budgets, but also government management. I feel that with my previous experience in local city council government, Fire Department Chief, County Department Head, and also County Commissioner positions requiring budgets and management/leadership that I have held, I am a qualified candidate.

4. What goals or ideas do you have that you would work toward if elected?

My goal would be to assist in getting the new 5 man board of commissioners up and running on the right track. I would work to help balance the budget and assist with the completion of ongoing projects in the county. My goal is to promote growing the economic development in the county to bring business and growth in order to benefit the county residents.

5. Anything else about yourself you would like to mention?

My wife Sheila (Camp) and I are lifetime Russell County residents. We have 4 children (and their spouses), and 9 grandchildren who are also all Russell County residents. My whole family has attended the local school district, participated in local events and fundraisers, and are advocates for the development of the local economy.