



## **Hospital District Board Offers Opportunity to Serve**

***Ron Osladil, Chairman of North Pine Area Hospital District***

There aren't many things more important than having local access to quality health care. That is why the upcoming August 14<sup>th</sup> filing deadline for 13 Board member seats is so important. Some might think that our job is done just because we have the new Pine Healthcare Campus built. We are far from done. We are focusing on developing strategies to attract even more medical service providers to the Campus.

I encourage citizens to run for a Board position on the Hospital District and join a team of dedicated members. As they can all attest to, it is not a 'kick back' position but there are huge rewards from improving health care facilities and services for our citizens. For example, it took hundreds of hours for many of our Board members to plan, fund and build the Pine Healthcare Campus but we all agree that it was well worth the effort.

Filing to run for office is simple. Just go to your City or Township clerk to file for election anytime between July 31 and August 14<sup>th</sup>. This is an excellent opportunity to make a significant contribution to your community.

Recent retirees from the Board, Scott Hendricks and Chuck Sprado, were a couple of our hardest working members. They took their responsibilities as an elected Board member for their Township very seriously. I can't tell you how appreciative we all are. In parting remarks Chuck Sprado said, "as elected officials we are not volunteers but rather we have the responsibility to serve and be active." That statement certainly applies to the ethic that both Scott and Chuck lived every day of their service as a Board member.

Feel free to call me or any other Board member to discuss the Hospital District and the work we do. Be a part of building our bright health care future and run for a Board member.

For more information about the Hospital District, the Cities and Townships who have Board elections this fall and the Pine Healthcare Campus go to: [www.PineHospitalDistrict.com](http://www.PineHospitalDistrict.com).