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## **November 5 Election Update**

After the 5PM write-in candidate filing deadline on Tuesday, October 8, Kootenai County's Elections department announced several write-in candidates:

City of Athol, Council	Daniel Ratcliff
City of Harrison, Mayor	Tim Arnold
City of Stateline, Mayor	Robert L. Wilson
City of Stateline, Council	Janice Fox

In other election news, County Elections staff mailed out 1,416 absentee ballots on Friday, October 4, which was the first day of absentee ballot mailing. Elections Manager Carrie Phillips noted "Ada County expected to mail about 500 ballots, and Canyon County anticipated mailing 300 ballots". Phillips said her counterparts in Ada & Canyon counties were surprised with all the interest in absentee voting for Kootenai County's city & fire district elections.

Sample ballots have been posted to the County's website, and can be seen here: <u>http://www.kcgov.us/elections/sample/2013\_City-Fire/</u>

Early voting will begin on Tuesday, October 15, at the County Elections office, 1808 N. Third Street in Coeur d'Alene. Hours are 8AM to 5PM that week and the following week. The office will also be open on Saturday, October 26, from 9AM to 2PM for early voting.

Additional voting hours through the rest of the month are posted on the County's Elections home page, linked here: <u>http://www.kcgov.us/elections/</u>

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