

Happy Labor Day, Al. I hope you've had a great weekend. I had some thoughts about the appointment you and Josh are about to make, so I thought I'd share them. 1.) You laid out very convincing reasons to follow the PCO's first choice when appointing Nancy McLaughlin. What could be wrong with that logic with this appointment? 2.) Why would you appoint someone who has already lost against the PCO's last #1 choice in the last election for County Treasurer? Mary was the one who lost that race. 3.) I looked at your PDC report, and noticed you've been heavily supported by AGC members in the past. Is this affecting who you would support for County Commissioner because of her ties to AGC? I don't think your average citizen in Spokane County would support you doing this. 4.) If Rob Chase is appointed, then Mary Kuney is a lock for County Treasurer. Why wouldn't you want to see her as County Treasurer? I believe that Rob would want to work with you, as Josh already has since he won his race. 5.) I'm really concerned about the divisions we already have in our County, and appointing Mary over Rob would definitely widen those divisions. 6.) I personally think you have more to be concerned about in the next primary than from just one group who has supported you in the past. I have heard rumors that there are a few locally elected officials who would run against you in the primary, but wouldn't if you applied the same logic you explained very well when you appointed Nancy. Last of all, I would like to see you get re-elected. I would doorbell and endorse you if you keep your word to support the PCO's #1 candidate, as you did with both Nancy McLaughlin and Mary Dye, which was an honorable thing to do. Best Wishes, Bob McCaslin