

the sheriff to see how he can offer a better alternative.

The number of retired and current sheriff's deputies and other law enforcement professionals joining Spangler for the opening of his new quarters was amazing. It was incredible to me that Spangler has been able to bring support from his fellow law enforcement officers, but there was a big crowd of ordinary citizens in attendance as well. That is large crowd turnout and not surprising at all as Spangler is known for being

the sheriff for community. Tom Spangler is one of most official and more men in our area and he has the potential and ability to lead the sheriff's department. The 2000+ employees can trust the leadership of someone who has the experience to lead the department.

Tom Spangler is a candidate as the sheriff's can trust to make the most of the county's resources. If given the opportunity by the voters he will make a great sheriff for the citizens of Knox County!



Tom Spangler



there, inside and Tom Spangler at the grand opening of the Spangler Sheriff's Headquarters. Left Spangler smiles with the crowd of citizens and other law enforcement officers.

MPC talks sidewalks again

By Peter Gossels

At their meeting on Thursday, January 11, the Knox-Metro County Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) once again came up against the issue of sidewalks when a developer presented what he called "sidewalk to nowhere."

Thomas Lantz Company presented for conceptual or pre-

liminary approval what would be a new structure on the south side of the highway. The developer requested that a sidewalk be removed. He noted that it would not connect to existing sidewalks and that the lot share for sidewalks within the subdivision and a sidewalk going to an existing lot field.

"I really have a problem requiring a sidewalk that

doesn't have a sidewalk. That just doesn't make sense to me."

In response to a question, staff stated that there are no plans for a county sidewalk in that area.

The MPC granted approval without the sidewalk requirement.

Jim Sullivan's request for conceptual or pre-

2018's political year update

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The primary election deadline for filing is a month away but already there are several races showing opponents, most of them Republican. So far of the 26 announced candidates for the various county offices only four are Democrats. The strange twist (2), where county major candidate Bob Thomas ran unopposed, has two Republicans and two Democrats who have petitions for election.

year for Knox County, the state and the national offices.

There for there are two Democrats stepping forward to get petitions for election. County Democrat Tim Grogg told The Press that there are potential candidates but they have not decided yet.

Ballot State House of Representatives

Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett picked up his petition for U. S. Congress to replace retiring 2nd District congressman Henry Bonior. Repu-