

Prairie Times Viewpoint Submission Guidelines

We have determined there is a far greater level of interest in local politics during election years than off years therefore we will expand our Viewpoint coverage during election years and contract it during off years.

The overriding goal of Prairie Times Viewpoint is to publish articles which will have the effect of moving issues or concerns toward a good (not perfect) outcome for all concerned, fostering the most beneficial results for the largest number of people. With respectful awareness of the demographics of our circulations readership we will determine what that consists of.

Prairie Times Viewpoint will continue to print statements/articles from public officials unedited as a service to the community. If our staff or members of the public have questions about the content of these statements/articles they may submit them to us for answers or clarification by the article's author.

Members of the public should (if possible) query before submitting articles stating a brief summary of their intended article and its probable length.

When submitting news and or op/ed pieces please use the following guidelines:

Be respectful. Stick to issues, not personalities. Every story/issue has two sides. Try to be objective by stating both sides.

i.e.; If an article insinuates wrong doing or questionable behavior by a public official and the author hasn't interviewed the "accused," Prairie Times reserves the right to contact that person for their views on the issue prior to considering publication of said article.

When printing Op-eds and/or letters to the editor: portions may be used while giving credit to the author.

In all submissions from the public, light editing for clarity and/or brevity may be practiced.

We DO NOT and CANNOT fact check all statements made in articles we print.

There will be no payments made or fees charged for submissions to Viewpoint.

Submissions are the sole responsibility of the authors, who assume all liability if printed.

Views printed do not necessarily reflect the views of the *Prairie Times* staff, ownership, or our advertisers.

We will accept submissions electronically or through the mail. If by mail, must be legible and preferably typed.

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Deadlines are the last Tuesday of each month for the next month's issue.