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Hi Bill,

I know you have followed the developments in the treasurer's office closely, perhaps better than some of its occupants. Unfortunately for you and the citizens of this fine county, the wrong decision was made regarding the appointment of the interim treasurer.

I don't know where people got the idea that Linda Isaacs somehow lacks managerial skills. Maybe the focus of her application, or the intent of her interview was to expound upon her extensive knowledge in the tax office, and how the software helps us to do our job. She is, and would have been, a great manager of people and of tasks.

What is unapparent to the commissioners, and perhaps to much of the public, is that the job of treasurer is so much more technical, and hands-on, if you will, that great managerial skills, if in fact Valerie Stamey possesses them, are not going to be much help to her. Perhaps the thought is that a great manager is a great delegator? The job is so much bigger than that; handling the funds for a \$40M budget is a very, very big and extremely complicated job. Who did you think would teach her that job? Guess what? Linda Isaacs won't be here to do it!

I feel sorry for the county, the staff in the office – of which I am one -, the commissioners, and Valerie. She has no idea how she has been set up for failure. The general perception will be that the Republican Party has gifted another one of its faithful. But really, how much of a gift is this?

Appreciate your civil engagement,

Mary Borden