A Clear Choice in the Auditor’s Race: The Transparency of Auditor Blaha or a Trump Election Lawyer Submerged in Lies

ST. PAUL, Minn. — A clear contrast emerged Sunday between State Auditor Julie Blaha and her opponent Ryan Wilson in their final debate on “At Issue.”

Wilson, a self-proclaimed Trump election lawyer, continued to lie and distract voters about the Office of the State Auditor’s (OSA) actual duties, while Auditor Blaha talked about how she’s prevented over $500 million in budget errors, is transparent with voters and focused on the work the OSA does to support Minnesotans at the local government level.

“I am so excited today to talk about our freedom to make decisions in our own communities,” Auditor Blaha said. “And that’s so important, those local decisions are the things that get our roads plowed in the winter, make sure the water turns on, or makes sure the ambulance shows up.”

Auditor Blaha pressed Wilson on his positions on issues that matter to Minnesota voters, like abortion, and his silence was deafening. According to a questionnaire from the Minnesota Family Council, Wilson supports a six-week ban on abortion.

“A big part of local government is to fund healthcare,” Auditor Blaha said. “You need an auditor that understands that abortion is apart of healthcare.”

Wilson’s habitual lying is also an outright refusal to discuss the actual duties and role of the OSA.

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“My opponent has been telling some lies about what the office does, or maybe even what an audit does,” Auditor Blaha said. “But don’t be distracted, the work we do close to home matters.”

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