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There is trouble in Paradise! Remember you heard it here first. It bears repeating. There is trouble in Paradise. If you believe what is being said by Commissioner Metli, everything is peachy with the Elbert County Republicans and especially their Central Committee. He recently stated there were no kings and he had complete confidence in them as a body! Woohoo! But before you put on your party pumps with those cute little elephant tassels and a set of clean knickers, J.H. Schroeder answered Metli's optimism in last Thursday's Ranchland News with a bucket of cold slop. He went after the "firmly entrenched" commissioners who should not oppose term limits and blasted proponents of the sales tax. Can you feel the love folks?

For those of you who have not been keeping score, at least half of the Republican leadership is on the sales tax bandwagon and the other half is over at the spigot, filling up water balloons to douse their brethren from the bushes along the campaign route. The sales tax is in direct opposition to the Elbert County Republican Platform and it puts a burr in the chaps of the fiscal responsibility types who want no taxes whatsoever. The other side realizes that the county finances have been so badly mismanaged that they have to do something or the voters are going to go through the ceiling about the abysmal state of the roads. You can't find a democrat to blame for this one boys and girls. The republicans, if they are who they say they are, need to stand up, shoulder the burden of the commissioners' mismanagement, and find some answers to our growing problems. To go about the business of keeping Elbert's infrastructure on a par with the surrounding counties should be their main priority. Metli needs to stop bragging, Schroeder needs to stop pontificating and they need to both start finding good republican candidates who have integrity to run in the 2008 general election.

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