

2015 General Elections

Cities and Towns in Saratoga County

Town of Ballston

Ballston - Town/County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor is the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Officer, and Chief Executive Officer of Town Government. The Supervisor is the Chairman of the Town Board, and conduct Town Board meetings, public hearings, and public information meetings. The Supervisor represents the Town on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

Timothy J Szczepaniak

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Ballston Tax Collector

Anne C Hogue

Party: REP

No response.

Ballston Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Charles B Curtiss

Party: REP

No response.

William A Goslin

Party: REP, IND

No response.

Ballston Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Carol A Gumienny

Party: REP, IND

No response.

Charlton

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Alan R Grattidge

Party: REP

No response.

Charlton Town Clerk

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Brenda L Mills

Party: REP

No response.

Charlton Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

John G Gay

Party: REP

No response.

Marshall J Heritage

Party: REP

No response

Charlton Hwy Superintendent

Michael A Emerich

Party: REP

No response.

Charlton Town Assessor

Candidates (choose 2):

Kimberly A Caron

Party: REP

No response.

Victoria L Hayner

Party: REP

No response

Charlton Tax Collector

Susan M McBurnie

Party: REP

No response.

Clifton Park

Clifton Park - Town/County Supervisor

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Philip C. Barrett

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

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Clifton Park - County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor represents the Town on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

Anita M.Daly

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Clifton Park Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Amy J Standaert

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

James M Whalen

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Clifton Park Town Clerk

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Patricia ODonnell

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Clifton Park Town Justice Candidates (choose 1):



Robert A Rybak

Party: DEM, CON, IND, GRN

Biographical Info:

Education: BA -- St. John Fisher College, Rochester, NY; JD -- Syracuse University College of Law

Experience and Qualifications: During my 36 years as Town Justice, I have handled more than 120,000 cases and have completed 500 hours of judicial education. I have been a licensed attorney since 1977 and I am admitted to the practice of law in all

courts in New York State and the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York. I have also served as an Acting Schenectady City Court Judge.

Party Endorsements: Democrat, Conservative and Independence Parties. I will also be appearing on the Green Party line.

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate for this office?*

A: I am the only candidate with judicial experience. When I first ran for Town Justice, I made four simple promises to the residents: 1. Victims who have been harmed by a crime would have their damages reimbursed by the defendant; 2. I would treat people who appeared before me with respect; 3. I would protect the rights of all parties, and 4. My court would be a model of efficiency and fairness. For the past 36 years, I have kept these promises which I believe have made Clifton Park a better place to live, work and raise a family. I have lived in Clifton Park for 38 years and with my wife, Angie, raised two kids who attended and graduated from Shenendehowa. I have also been involved in a number of community organizations over the years including CAPTAIN, Clifton Park Baseball and the Elks and am a parishioner, usher and volunteer at Corpus Christi Church. Because of this record of community involvement, I was selected as a member of the Town's 175th Anniversary Who's Who Honor Roll.



Jonathan G Schopf

Party: REP

Biographical Info:

Education: Admitted to practice in: US Supreme Court Second Circuit Court of Appeals US District Court Northern District of New York New York State Courts Pennsylvania State Courts J.D. Albany Law School B.A. Edinboro University

Experience and Qualifications: I have represented individual and corporate clients as both plaintiff and defendant in a variety of civil litigation matters in both state and federal court with a concentration in complex commercial litigation, insurance coverage and liability issues. I have actual courtroom trial experience and have tried various matters, before both jury and bench, to verdict in federal, New York State Supreme Court and local courts in New York

Key Endorsements: Republican Party Reform Party Phil Barrett, Town Supervisor

Party Endorsements: Republican Party Reform Party

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Campaign Phone: (518) 280-7580

Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate for this office?*

A: Although the judicial position I'm running for is part-time, I am committed to being a Full Time Judge for the community. I live and own my own law practice right here in Clifton Park. If elected, I am in the unique position to make myself available to law enforcement at any time of the day or night for arraignments and court business. I'm committed to providing efficient and timely adjudication of criminal matters for the safety of the community and to ensure that the accused are provided with fair

and expedient due process as guaranteed under our Constitution. Like you, I want to play an active role in making my community, county and state a safer, better place to run my business and to raise my children so they can have an optimistic future filled with unlimited promise. If you share my vision, I urge you to connect with me and help make it happen! Together, we can make a meaningful difference-- for our families and our community

Clifton Park Hwy Superintendent

Richard M. Kukuk

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Corinth

Corinth - Town/County Supervisor

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Richard B. Lucia

Party: REP

No response.

Corinth Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Jeffery Collura

Party: REP

No response.

Joshua Halliday

Party: REP

No response.

Corinth Town Justice

Description: Town courts have jurisdiction over a broad range of matters, including vehicle and traffic matters, small claims, evictions, civil matters and criminal offenses.

Candidates (choose 2):

Ambrose F Clothier

Party: REP

No response.

Lane J Schermerhorn

Party: REP

No response.

Day

Day - Town/County Supervisor

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Preston L. Allen

Party: REP

No response.

Day Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Charles W Dreyer

Party: REP

No response.

Curtis J Schreiner

Party: REP

No response.

Day Town Clerk

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Carol A. Vaillancourt

Party: REP

No response.

Day Town Justice

Description: Town courts have jurisdiction over a broad range of matters, including vehicle and traffic matters, small claims, evictions, civil matters and criminal offenses.

Kenneth O. Johnsen

Party: REP

No response.

Day Hwy Superintendent

Ronald C. Ladd

Party: REP

No response.

Edinburg

Edinburg - Town/County Supervisor

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Jean C Raymond

Party: REP

No response.

Edinburg Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Toby G Edwards

Party: REP

No response.

Janet M Johansson

Party: REP

No response.

Edinburg Hwy Supt

Wayne D Seelow

Party: REP

No response.

Edinburg Town Tax Collector

Faye H Frasier

Party: REP

No response.

Edinburg Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Denise M Ferguson

Party: REP

No response.

Galway

Galway Town Justice

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Alison C. Thomas-Oravsky

No response.

Galway Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Joanne Peregrim-Grant

Party: REP

No response.

Rod Lee Wilday

Party: REP

No response.

Greenfield

Greenfield Town/County Supervisor

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Daniel J Pemrick

Party: REP

No response.

Greenfield Town Clerk

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Louise A. Okoniewski

Party: REP

Biographical Info:

Education: Clinton Community College; Journalism, Management and Business.

Experience and Qualifications: Over 9 years as Deputy Town Clerk. Records management, retail management, business owner, President of The Town of Greenfield Historical Society. Helped to organize the Greenfield Famers Market, and various Town and Historical Society Events.

Key Endorsements: Greenfield Republican Committee

Party Endorsements: Republican

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Questions:

Q: *What is your motivation for running for this office ? What special skills, knowledge, experience or training do you bring to this position?*

A: I love the Town of Greenfield's rural characteristics. In addition to maintaining the integrity and confidence that the position of Town Clerk holds, I have positive communication with Greenfield residents and participate in various volunteer programs. The Town Clerk's office is Greenfield's "Chamber of Commerce". The center of communication with the town residents regarding all types of information, including emergency situations. I have lived in the Town of Greenfield for over 30 years. Presently, I am the President of the Town of Greenfield Historical Society. I've been actively involved in the opening of the Chatfield Museum of Local History in Middle Grove at the old Odd Fellows Hall, Caboose Day/ Car Show events in August at King's Station, historical displays at the Saratoga County Fair, and the Greenfield Farmers Market in Middle Grove. I believe community events help to maintain a family atmosphere in our small, yet growing town.

Greenfield Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Daniel M. Cochran

Party: REP
No response.

Mary Ann Johnson

Party: REP
No response.

Hadley

Hadley Town/County Supervisor

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Candidates (choose 2):

Andrew R. Bovee

Biographical Info:

Education: 1982 Graduate - Hadley Luzerne Central School

Experience and Qualifications: Over 25 years in the firewood processing business, small engine repairs, and sales and rental service

Key Endorsements: None presently

Party Endorsements: None presently

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Questions:

No response to questions.



Arthur M. Wright

Party: REP

Biographical Info:

Education: Graduated Hadley Luzerne Central School class of 1982

Experience and Qualifications: 18 years on the Town of Hadley Town Board the last 8 as Supervisor

Party Endorsements: Running in Town of Hadley Republican Primary Endorsed by the Conservative Party

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Questions:

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them during your term of office?*

A: I feel the most pressing issue is continuing to provide key services and still stay under the New York State mandated Tax Cap. We as a Town Board will continue to be smart with budgeting and make decisions not only with the immediate future in mind, but also the long term well being of the Town.

Q: *what is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have.*

A: I originally ran for the Town Board because I care deeply about the Town of Hadley and still do today. I feel I am a good leader and have learned how Town Government works over the last 18 years as well as County Government the past 8 years. I have attended many training sessions sponsored by the New York State Association of Towns and Villages and the New York State Association of Counties. I am also a graduate of the Pellitier Institute of County Government.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: The most critical issue in my opinion is the County budget and keeping taxes low. This has become very difficult with the state of the economy and the spiraling cost of insurance and other commodities that we have no control over. State mandates are a very hot topic that people are talking about, but nothing seems to change. We hear promises from the State Government all the time about mandate relief, but very little is being done.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: I would propose that Saratoga County continue on the path that the Board of Supervisors has started down with the recently adopted Economic Strategic Plan, and the development of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership. We need to continue to engage all entities in the County as well as listen to all of our constituents, to balance economic development with quality of life. I feel the strategic plan has done this by including and identifying every communities strengths and creating a clear path for a better Saratoga County. We need to continue with the idea that the success of the county is based on the success of all towns, villages and cities, not just the big ones.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens*

A: I think the County does have a responsibility for the health and wellness of our citizens, but I also feel that the County should not be expected to bear all responsibility. The State needs to partner with the counties and come up with a plan to relieve the counties of some of the financial burden. Saratoga County does a great job providing these services but could use some help paying for them.

Hadley Town Clerk

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Pauline G. Smead

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Hadley Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):



Colleen E. Demarsh

Party: REP, CON

Biographical Info:

Education: HS Regents Diploma with Language Endorsements and various Educational & Training Seminars

Experience and Qualifications: I have served on the Hadley Town Board for 20 years and am running unopposed for my 5th term. I also have over 30 years in the Customer Service related field which gives me a lot of experience working with people

Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I was born and raised in the Town of Hadley. My husband and I raised our children in the Town of Hadley. I know, love and respect the town of Hadley and for the last 20 years, feel that I have represented the town with consideration to those feelings. I stay informed on all of the issues, play nice & work well with others.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: We always strive to keep the people informed of everything going on in the town. I am responsible for a Newsletter that we send out 1-2 times a year. It includes information regarding Recycling & Garbage, Community Events, Changes in Policies or Procedures, Contact Information and many other happenings in the town from reminding people to license their dogs to the OsteoBuster Class offered at the Senior/Community Center. I also, encourage 18 year olds to register to vote. I just happen to have registration forms right at my house to offer. Getting the younger generation involved right away, is so important. I also carry absentee ballot and voter registration forms with me when I campaign. I would love to see 100% registration and 100% voter turnout at elections. Wouldn't that be great?

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: One of the most pressing issues facing our town along with every other town in the United States is the cost of health insurance. Every year, it goes up 10+ and we have to shop around for less expensive plans. It is frustrating for the employees to have their plans change constantly. They become accustomed to a plan, it changes. The only security they have is that they can trust that as a town board, we will do everything in our power to give them the best coverage we can for the best price we can afford.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: It is interesting that you ask about the 2 tax cap right after the question regarding pressing issues. I find it very unfair that towns are given the 2 tax cap, yet health insurance companies are not held to that same tax cap. They should be. In answer to your question - yes. We have been impacted by the 2 tax cap, yet have managed to stay under it every year. We have been and will always be challenged by Erie Blvd. regarding the assessments on the Hydro Dams in our town. We spend a lot of money on litigation and have lost a substantial amount of assessment. However, we as a town board, are very aware of it, plan ahead for it and therefore, the people of Hadley do not get hit with it all at once. So, we cut where we can without cutting valuable services to the people and keep under the 2 tax cap every single year. Hopefully, we will continue to do that. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the League of Women Voters Guide.

Charles E. Ovitt Jr.

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Hadley Town Justice

Robert C. Haak Sr.

Party: REP

No response.

Hadley Town Tax Collector

Katherine M. Austin

No response.

Halfmoon

Halfmoon - Town/County Supervisor

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Kevin J. Tollisen

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Halfmoon Town Clerk

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Lynda A. Bryan

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Halfmoon Hwy Superintendent

John E. Pingelski Jr.

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Halfmoon Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Daphne V. Jordan

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.



John P. Wasielewski

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: M.A., Public Policy SUNY Empire State College B.S., Management St. John's University

Experience and Qualifications: Town Board Liaison to Emergency Services, Ethics Committee, Resident Relations, and Planning Board

Party Endorsements: Halfmoon Republican Committee Saratoga County

Independence Party Saratoga Cty Conservative Party

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I'm a hard-working father, Veteran, and active community member who understands the need to balance rapid Town growth with the need to maintain the natural beauty and small-town atmosphere that attracts people to Halfmoon. I've raised my children here, work here, and think it's a fantastic place to live. I care deeply about Halfmoon and have worked hard for the past four years as Councilman to keep it a desirable community for everyone.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: We've been very progressive and aggressive in establishing ways to communicate with Town Residents and Businesses. I'm excited to lead the new Resident Relations Committee. We go to new Resident's homes and welcome them to Halfmoon, give them information about Town services, and encourage them to take advantage of all that Halfmoon has to offer. The new Town of Halfmoon website is very user-friendly and has been recognized as one of the best Town websites in New York. I take pride in representing all of Halfmoon's Residents and make myself readily available to anyone at any time.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: Halfmoon is at an important point in its history. Its desirable location makes it inviting for development. Our challenge is to acknowledge inevitable growth and to smartly plan for the future. The decisions we make today will affect Halfmoon for generations. I think it's important that we judge every proposed project not only for how it benefits the entire community, but how it fits into the Town's character now and in the future. Increasing traffic growth is also a continuing issue for us to manage.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: Maintaining quality services without a Town tax is a challenge. Halfmoon is one of just a few Towns in New York State without a Town tax. We rely solely on mortgage and sales taxes to fund Town services. Even so, Halfmoon maintains excellent bond rating status. I take pride in the fiscal frugality that the Town demonstrates every day. Every bill is approved by each Town Board member and there is often debate about expenses. It's good government. I realize that this money belongs to the Residents and businesses of Halfmoon and I take that responsibility very seriously.

Malta

Malta - Town/County Supervisor

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Candidates (choose 1):



VINCENT R. DELUCIA

Party: REP, CON, IND, RFM

Biographical Info:

Education: BA from Curry College, Milton (Boston) MA. MS from Russell Sage College. Advanced Studies in school administration from SUNY Albany and State Education Department permanent certification in school administration.

Experience and Qualifications: I am a community man with longtime local roots and values. As a former teacher/mentor and principal at Shenendehowa, I understand what makes Malta so unique. I haven't made a career out of politics – I'm a family man who is dedicated to using my experience and skills for the betterment of our community as Town Supervisor. I have also served as Board President of the Saratoga Newmeadow School for children with autism and special needs.

Key Endorsements: New York State Police PBA uniformed officers' unit.

Party Endorsements: Saratoga Cty Republican Cmte Saratoga Cty Conservative Cmte Saratoga Cty Independence Party

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Questions:

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them during your term of office?*

A: One of the most pressing issues facing our town today includes rapid growth, particularly in our downtown, and how we can revisit it as a community if this is the type of development we want moving forward. Residents have expressed their concerns with the Ellsworth Commons-style approach to development and how that doesn't fit in with Malta's true character. An honest, independent conversation must take place with town residents and then town hall must do what it can to echo those wishes. Other issues include strengthening town ethics laws, following the harsh sting of ethical woes that plagued our town recently. Inclusiveness in the town's decision making, both in and outside of town hall, is something in particular I would work to achieve early in my term should voters place their trust in me.

Q: *What is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have.*

A: I'm not a career politician and haven't made a career of running for office. In fact, this is the first time I have run for office. That alone I believe is something residents in town are looking for – a new voice whose values are in line with their own. I am a community man with longtime local roots and values. As a former teacher/mentor and principal at Shenendehowa, I understand what makes Malta so unique. I'm a family man who is dedicated to using my experience and skills for the betterment of our community as Town Supervisor. I'm running to ensure brighter days for Malta, which starts with ensuring we remain a tax free town and that we conduct the people's business with the highest standards. Equally as important, I believe it's my turn to give back to the community that has given my family and me so much over the years.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: The incredible popularity of Saratoga County is very positive. However, along with the unprecedented growth comes important issues that must be prepared for and dealt with such as: increased traffic flow and expansion of roadways, planning and budgeting for future maintenance and upkeep of those roadways, continuing to provide exceptional educational programs throughout the county and meet school housing needs for the increasing number of school-aged children, maintaining a vibrant business-friendly economy thus increasing our tax base to help fund the necessities that come with such growth, striking a good common sense balance between residential, commercial and existing rural areas of our county, continue strong support and positive relationships with those throughout the county who keep us safe, healthy and well protected (police agencies, fire departments, EMS and ambulance corps).

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: This is simple: the first step in growth management is listening to residents of our communities first. Not all, but many decisions have been made in our county that residents have been opposed to or preferred a different path to get there. Specifically, if we are looking to grow and develop our

community through residential and commercial development, it's imperative to have a plan in place to address higher volume traffic and infrastructure needs as a result. The county and towns need to be on the same page in this instance to ensure growth and supported infrastructure is met. Elected officials need to be mindful that preserving the quality of life in our communities starts by listening to residents first.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens*

A: We have a diverse and growing population in Saratoga County, from families who have been here for generations, like mine, to young families who move into our county looking to establish their roots. It's imperative that the county provide the proper health and wellness resources and services for all residents, particularly seniors because they have been the fabric that has held our communities together for so long. Investing in the health and wellness of our citizens will only lead to stronger and more vibrant communities. It's one of the reasons Saratoga County is the envy of counties across New York State.



CYNTHIA C. YOUNG

Party: DEM, WF

Biographical Info:

Education: BA in Political Science from SUNY Oswego

Experience and Qualifications: Member Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Assessment Review, former Deputy Town Clerk, former Assessment Data Collector, former Youth Commission Chairperson

Key Endorsements: Saratoga County Central Labor Council Saratoga County

Democratic Committee

Party Endorsements: Democratic, Working Families

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Questions:

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them during your term of office?*

A: Growth and development in Malta is one of the most significant issues. We need to find a balance between smart growth and at the same time maintain our quality of life. Commercial growth will help ensure our fiscal health, help keep our taxes manageable. I support the rezoning of the Luther Forest Technology Campus and would encourage new businesses. While, development is important to our fiscal health, I support the protection of our rural areas. I think it is important that we protect our farms and open spaces. Therefore, I believe that our commercial development should be concentrated in specific areas. Another issue facing our town, is to make sure that our emergency services have the resources that they need to perform their functions. I think the Town should support their efforts to attract, train and retain quality volunteer.

Q: *what is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have.*

A: I am running for Supervisor because I believe that I am the person with the right experience for the position. I have been involved in the Town of Malta government for more that 25 years. I have served on the Zoning Board of Appeals for more than 8 years, I have served on the Board of Assessment Review for more that 10 years. In the past, I have worked for the Town Clerk and the Assessor. I have regularly attended meetings and workshops for more than 20 years. I have attended many training sessions on Zoning and Planning. I have canvassed every neighborhood in town at some point and I am very familiar with the needs of the community.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: As with the Town of Malta, development is a critical issue. Attracting good business to provide good jobs for residents is critical. Saratoga County is a tourist destination. We need to continue to encourage our world wide image of "Health, History and Horses". Tourism is an important key to our fiscal health.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: The key to smart growth is good planning. In Malta, we have been at the forefront of planning and zoning trends. Our Form Based Code plan for our "downtown" represents this. The plan has detailed design standards and uses. The county should help communities by providing the tools they need to achieve good planning. The County also should support open space and agriculture to protect our rural character in many areas.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens*

A: I believe that all government has a responsibility to protect the health, wellness and safety of its citizens. Saratoga needs to be proactive in this.

Malta Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):



TIMOTHY F. DUNN

Party: REP, CON, IND, RFM

Biographical Info:

Education: BS, MBA - University at Albany

Experience and Qualifications: More than a decade of experience in semiconductor industry and economic development; advisor to State and Local governments, colleges, non profits and school districts; experience working in State government, big companies, non profits and small businesses; former member of LFTC Community

Response Board, current Alternate on Malta ZBA; married father of two young children; Malta/Round Lake Tee Ball Coach; member of the Board of March of Dimes NE NY.

Party Endorsements: Malta Republican Committee, Saratoga County Independence Party

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Campaign Phone: (518) 980-1765

Campaign Mailing Address: 129 WINEBERRY LN Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I'm probably the most unique candidate in this year's race, for a few reasons. First, I've never run for office before. I'm completely new blood that comes without political baggage or grudges. I think that's important. We often hear the desire for change, but rarely do we have a real choice to effectuate that change. Second, I have really ideal professional experience that can help Malta as we manage challenges and opportunities presented by growth. My experience seeing the growth of the semiconductor industry around the world means I've seen examples of how to do it right - and problems to avoid. I guarantee I'm the only candidate who has been inside clean rooms on 3 continents. Third, I'm the only candidate raising a young family in this Town. When elected, I'll bring that perspective to Town Hall, balancing our community needs with reality - just like we all do in our own homes.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: I have already spent a lot of time ringing doorbells and attending events, but I think much more needs to be done. Our leadership is detached from the people. A fact that is made clear every time I'm in Round Lake and see a mess of road construction for roundabouts that 500+ neighbors said they didn't want or in Maltaville and seeing a continued lack of reality-based zoning. Regardless of how you feel about the roundabout project itself, when over 500 people feel like their input was ignored, we have a major problem. Similarly, when local residents give their input on zoning directly impacting them, then the input is ignored, they're rightly upset. But that becomes farcical when the Town Board then rolls out ANOTHER zoning/planning project for the area, instead of just listening to residents to begin with! I don't think it's complicated - ask people for their opinion, then listen to them!

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: Taxes/spending - I am opposed to any new taxes in our Town and would like to see the Town really refocus spending on priorities. I love parks and rec programs, but we need focus budgets toward necessities, not amenities. I'm not sure the incumbents feel that way. Economic development challenges - we are hovering dangerously close to completely missing the window of opportunities opened by GlobalFoundries. We cannot sit back and hope someone fixes our problems, we must have a real economic development strategy in Malta. Professionalism - when we elect people who lack the professional management experience necessary to run a Town, bad things happen. And in Malta, those bad things have resulted in the Town agreeing to a 6 figure settlement because the Town Clerk can't act professionally. That's wrong. Traffic - Malta is growing and with that comes more traffic. But we need leaders that understand planning and economic development, not ones that jump at any Fed/State dollar dangled

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: Absolutely. This year, the Town budget overspends revenue by \$200,000. That's because our leadership is spending on the wrong priorities and inching us dangerously closer to a Town-wide tax. I'm concerned that our leadership either doesn't understand the budget well enough to get that or that they're doing this on purpose. Either way, it's a very dangerous proposition for the taxpayers of Malta. Even worse is the fact that we've done nothing to attract new companies to Town beyond GlobalFoundries. Even though there's no Town tax in Malta, many of our residents pay taxes to the Ballston Spa School District. As Superintendent Dragone has warned, if new companies aren't brought into Town to offset the drop-off that will occur when the initial GlobalFoundries PILOT expires, we're going to have a major problem.



TARA M. THOMAS

Party: WF, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: BFA, School of Art and Design at Alfred University, Marketing and Graphic Design

Experience and Qualifications: Town Councilperson, 8 years President, Malta League of Arts Inc President/Owner, Thomas Media Group LLC Chairperson, Malta Web

and New Media Past volunteer service to the Town of Malta includes the Planning and Zoning Review Committee and Chair, Malta Trails Committee

Party Endorsements: Saratoga County Independence Party Working Families Party

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Campaign Phone: (518) 852-0831

Campaign Mailing Address: 8 Snowberry Road Malta, NY 12020

Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: As a two term incumbent and lifelong resident of the Town growing up in Maltaville, I have extensive knowledge about the Town which makes me an ideal candidate for the job. I understand the challenges we face as a community and have the vision and passion to get us where we need to be without losing our character and at the same time keeping Malta financially strong. I have kept Malta Town Tax Free and have worked tirelessly for projects and programs that bring our community together. I have made it a top priority to make Malta Government accessible to the community with a future designed by all of us.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: As Councilwoman, Malta has continued to avoid a town property tax while improving youth, recreational, and health services and open space protection efforts. I have also earned a reputation for effectiveness in handling constituent issues. Malta has always been my home, and a place my family and I love very much. I am committed to working with our residents to make Malta an even better place for our families. My knowledge of the town and the issues we face make me an ideal candidate for the job. I will continue to be an independent representative for Malta. In addition I created a committee to upgrade our Town Website and other media venues for residents to receive news through digital platforms like social media,

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: My platform for a third term includes an update to the Town's Generic Environmental Impact Statement, a Master Plan Update, updating the Town's 5 Year Capital Plan, continued economic development town wide and support for small businesses, Senior Outreach for our growing community, Downtown plan for realizing the completion of the Parade Ground and an Arts District, Transportation focused on a Park and Ride plan for employees in the Tech Park, Exit 11A development, and keeping Malta Town Tax Free. I am proud of my record of protecting taxpayers while effectively expanding the services Malta residents rely on every day. I am equally proud to be known as someone who is always there, for any problem big or small. If I continue serving, Malta residents will always have an advocate and friend in town government.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: The Town of Malta is financially strong with an updated bond rating, thanks to fiscally responsible budgets. I am pleased to be part of a team who continues to stay under the 2% tax cap while ensuring essential government services to our community year after year.



CRAIG M. WARNER

Party: REP, CON, RFM

Biographical Info:

Education: Syracuse University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in 1978 and an Associate's Degree from Berkshire Community College of Pittsfield Massachusetts in 1975

Experience and Qualifications: I began my career in engineering design with GE in 1984 for Ordnance Systems. Past 25 yrs as Senior Designer for GE Power and Water, designing turbines for the energy industry. I believe in giving back to the community. For example, being appointed Deputy Supervisor, volunteering on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Round Lake Library Assistant Trustee, Open Space and Agricultural Committee, past President Malta Sunrise Rotary and planning board of NY Tech Valley Regional Robotics Competition.

Party Endorsements: Malta Republican GOP Endorsed: With a philosophy that government must be limited for people to be tr

For more information: Malta has been my home since my family of 5 settled here 25 years ago. Having been transferred to the capital region with General Electric, we chose Malta as our family community, a community which is now the envy of many towns.

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Campaign Mailing Address: 12 Teaberry Place Malta, NY 12020

Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I have the ability to listen to community residents and build consensus first before making important decisions that will effect town residents. As the next Malta Town Board member I will put the voice of the residents first by utilizing transparent leadership, keeping Malta tax free without any general tax and promote smart, responsible growth while preserving the quality of life which first brought me and my family to this community.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: As the the next Malta Town Board member I will publish a monthly subscribed email discussing issues of the month. Each letter will address the pro and cons and the impact of on our community. I believe this tool will build transparency and dialogue while encouraging community feed back. The voice of the respondents will influence how I vote. As a member and former President of Malta Sunrise Rotary and member of the planning board of New York Tech Valley Regional Robotics Competition I saw the need to partner with Global Foundries, local corporate supporters and schools to build good results quickly. If elected I will continue to partner with the residents, business and continue what has worked for me.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them? While going door to door I have listened carefully to the needs of residents. My family lives by a budget and I believe Malta should too. Residents have clearly spoken their concerns to me and growth and traffic are issues they are very concerned about. I believe we need to nurture growth and find the balance to keep our community a safe family community.

Q: Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?

A: Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay? Given the tax cap of 2% it does effect most towns. Malta is no different. Other states have been following this same model such as Massachusetts for much longer and will effect all services so we must budget within these limits set. Malta needs a long-term plan to live within the realities of the tax cap while ensuring programs and services will continue to be available to residents.

Malta Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Candidates (choose 1):



MARIA CONTE-GREEN

Party: DEM

Biographical Info:

Education: Associate in Science 2 years toward Marketing degree

Experience and Qualifications: I have been employed in the following fields of business that focus on customer service. I truly enjoy meeting and talking with people of all ages and assisting them with their specific needs. Associate Broker: 10 years: Licensed in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Georgia Commission Based Inside

Sales Support: 5 years; Sourcetek Systems, Salary plus commission Sales: 5 years, Retail , Commission Based Marketing Research Assistant: 8 years, Salary Based plus Bonus

Party Endorsements: Democrat

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Questions:

Q: What is your motivation for running for this office ? What special skills, knowledge, experience or training do you bring to this position?

A: My motivation for running for Town Clerk is knowing how important this position is in reflecting the atmosphere of the town. The Town Clerk position should be to service and satisfy in a professional manner the needs of the citizens of Malta. On a personal note, it would allow me the unique opportunity to be a contributing member of this wonderful town and its government—especially Cynthia Young who I greatly respect. Since a major portion of my professional career has been centered on various forms of customer service either as an independent contractor (Realtor) or as an inside sales support representative (computer products) with my goal aimed at satisfying the customer's needs--- I believe the position of Malta Town Clerk will allow me the opportunity to offer my past experiences to the residents of Malta and help establish a friendly and courteous atmosphere in which everyone who visits will walk away satisfied.

PATRICIA M. RUGGLES

Party: REP, CON, IND, RFM

No response.

Malta Hwy Superintendent

ROGER W. CRANDALL

Party: REP, CON, IND, RFM

No response.

Malta Tax Receiver

SHARON F. SCHIERA

Party: REP, CON, IND, RFM

No response.

Mechanicville

Mechanicville County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor represents the City on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors

THOMAS J. RICHARDSON

Party: DEM

No response.

Mechanicville Commissioner of Accounts

Description: The Commissioner of Accounts is the Department Head of the Accounts Department. The Commissioner serves as: City Clerk, City Assessor, Purchasing Agent, Insurance Officer, Records Management Officer, and Registrar of Vital Records. The Office of the City Clerk records and keeps minutes of the Council meetings, is the custodian of all City documents, keeper of the City Seal, and issuer of licenses and permits.

MICHELLE L. DUELL

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Mechanicville Judge

JOSEPH W. SHEEHAN

Party: REP

No response.

Milton

Milton - Town/County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor is the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Officer, and Chief Executive Officer of Town Government. The Supervisor is the Chairman of the Town Board, and conduct Town Board meetings, public hearings, and public information meetings. The Supervisor represents the Town on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

DANIEL P. LEWZA

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Milton Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

WILLIAM J. MEVEC

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Milton Hwy Supt

DAVID C. FORBES

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Milton Town Tax Collector

SHARON A. SOMMER

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Moreau

Moreau Town/County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor is the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Officer, and Chief Executive Officer of Town Government. The Supervisor is the Chairman of the Town Board, and conduct Town Board meetings, public hearings, and public information meetings. The Supervisor represents the Town on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

Candidates (choose 1):



R Gardner Congdon

Party: REP, CON

Biographical Info:

Education: Graduate South Glens Falls High School, U.S. Army 1955, CWV Engineer CorpsCollege credits. No Degree

Experience and Qualifications: Besides designing and building dozens of homes in the area I have built two major subdivisions in our town. As town supervisor, I was able to build up the town's reserves to include a \$3.5 million landfill closure fund. The town received over \$5 million due to my insistence that GE pay for the damage to town property owners. -

Key Endorsements: They are all Key

Party Endorsements: Endorsed by the Moreau Republican Committee and Moreau Conservative Party.

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Campaign Mailing Address: 21 Congdon Road, South Glens Falls, N.Y. 12803

Questions:

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them during your term of office?*

A: The current administration's irresponsible decisions, Failure on EVERY public project, ie; New Town Hall,,,major problems, New Highway Garage....Major Problems. ...2 culverts and a bridge Do- over, at huge expense due to design defects and not properly inspected. Hire the same firm over & over in spite of all these failures. The taking and destroying a beautiful wooded area under the guise of creating a park is at the least curious and at worst criminal. I would make major changes in how the town is run, and by whom.

Q: *what is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have.*

A: As a former supervisor I have been encouraged to seek the office because of my past record of service.tha Sometimes what you prevent from happening is what is remembered , For Instance, leading the opposition in 1988 of the proposed "County Garbage Incinerator" with its 90 Million dollar Cost, Preventing the State of New York from depositing River Sludge along the banks of the Hudson river. How did that turn out?

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: Quality of life issues for the commuters having to face the ride to work in Albany, Growing herion epidemic has in recent years spread even up here, Laws have to be changed to allow profiling and more interest from local government to work with law enforcement on this.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: The continued growth of the southern part of the county continues to show great success for them. For Moreau, I think I'd rather keep our present rural character, Leave parks and river as they are. We have had an unparalleled infestation of apartments, hardly needed by our residents, fueled by out of town developers looking for a fast buck, all at the expense of our quality of life, how our town looks with overcrowded buildouts. This issue best handled locally, but one has to wonder about the county planning board's role in this.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens*

A: I did not understand the sale of our county nursing facility serving our senior citizens while, at about the same time, the board voted to spend \$5 million on the new animal shelter. I love dogs and cats but I love our older and infirm residents more. My opponent supported this, but our residents knew nothing about it. I would keep Moreau informed on issues such as these.



Preston L Jenkins Jr

Party: DEM, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: Associates Degree SUNY Adirondack Bachelors Degree Siena College

Experience and Qualifications: Seven years Moreau town Supervisor and Saratoga County Supervisor 41 Years Certified Public Accountant

Key Endorsements: Saratoga County Democrats Town of Moreau Democrats Women's Equality Party Local 773 Plumbers and Pipefitters

Party Endorsements: Saratoga County Democrats Town of Moreau Democrats Women's Equality Party

For more information: 39 Year Member SGF Rotary Club 39 Year Member of SGF-Moreau Chamber of commerce Past president SGF Rotary and Local Chamber of commerce 20 Year Treasure of Gerald Solomon Freedom Foundation Youth Sports Supporter as Treasure of Youth Organizations and Coach for Several Years

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Questions:

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them during your term of office?*

A: Sewer Infrastructure in commercial areas. High utility costs, housing assistance for people of low income, development of Town of Moreau Tech. Park, Continue developing trails and sites along one our biggest assets the Beautiful Hudson River, and Continuation of Development of Solar Farms and Community Solar. for Seven years we have maintained Town Taxes at rates 50% less than rates were when I took office in 1008. Continue to work on bringing a micro-grid to Moreau providing utility savings for the people. We have funding in place to bring sewers to Moreau commercial property and residential areas. Complete a new comprehensive plan and update zoning in Moreau. Continue to develop recreation programs. Programs that will serve all age groups with both passive and active participation. I will continue to provide leadership that keeps Moreau moving forward. MOREAU'S FUTURE IS NOW

Q: *what is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have.*

A: I HAVE SERVED AS MOREAU SUPERVISOR FOR THE LAST 7&1/2 YEARS. I HAVE REDUCED TAXES IN THE 8 BUDGETS I HAVE PREPARED BY OVER \$750,000 A YEAR. IN THE YEARS 2005,2006,2007,AND 2008 TAXES WERE OVER \$750,000 THAN THE 8 BUDGETS PREPARED BY ME. THE SAVINGS AMOUNT OVER 6 MILLION DOLLARS. FOUR MILLION WAS SAVED BY RETURNING TO THE TAXPAYERS SURPLUS FROM OVER TAXATION IN PRIOR YEARS. I WILL CONTINUE TO LEAD TO KEEP THOSE TAXES LOW.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: SARATOGA COUNTY WILL CONTINUE TO GROW OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. INTERSTATE 87 "NORTHWAY" HAS VERY DIFFICULT DURING RUSH HOUR AND WILL BECOME A LARGER PROBLEM FOR BUSINESS AND OTHER TRANSPORTATION ISSUES. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEEDS TO ADDRESS BUSINESS FUTURE AND FIND A SOLUTION TO HELP BUSINESS COMPETE IN A CHANGING

WORLD. LOW INCOME HOUSING IS BECOMING RARE IN MANY TOWNS AND ESPECIALLY IN THE CITIES.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: THE STATE OF NEW YORK NEEDS TO PROVIDE SAFER AND NEW HIGHWAYS FOR OUR FUTURE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE LIFE WE HAVE IN THE CAPITAL REGION. OUR STATE SENATORS AND ASSEMBLY MEMBERS NEED TO PLACE THIS AS ONE OF THEIR FIRST PRIORITIES. WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR THIS.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens*

A: SARATOGA COUNTY SOCIAL PROGRAMS DOES A GREAT JOB IN PROVIDING HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES. WE HAVE A DIVERSE GROUP OF CITIES, TOWNS AND HAMLETS THAT SPREAD OVER A DIVERSE GEOGRAPHIC AREA. WE SHOULD BE PUSHING FOR SINGLE PAYER INSURANCE SO THAT ALL OF OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS RECEIVE EQUAL HEALTH TREATMENT . ALL PEOPLE DESERVE THAT CARE.

Moreau Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):



Gina M LeClair

Party: DEM, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: Graduated from Keene Central High School Attended Adirondack Community College. Deans List

Experience and Qualifications: I have been a member of the Moreau Town Board for almost 8 years and have been an active member of several Board committees

Party Endorsements: Moreau Democratic Party and Saratoga Independence Party

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: As a Board member I have always listened to our community members concerns and ideas. I return phone calls and follow through on all contacts. I am honest and open in my actions.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: I have worked to make the Town Website more informative to taxpayers. This year our department heads took over management and updates for their department information on our website, making information available on an even more timely basis. I have always felt that we should report monthly to the taxpayers to keep them informed with what is happening in Moreau. I spearheaded a newsletter a few years ago but it was costly to mail. I feel we should consider posting at least a monthly update on our website.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: In the past 3 years we have built a new highway garage and a municipal center. There are continuing problems with both these buildings that need to be addressed. I will continue to ask questions and push for resolution. The taxpayers of Moreau should not have to pay to fix problems with new buildings that have issues. Our reserve funds that have helped us hold the line on tax increases are not going to be available to help us in the upcoming budget cycles. We need to look closely at all our expenses and assets and make tough choices to reduce expenses on items such as maintenance of buildings that we do not use.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: We were lucky to have fund balances and sales tax income in the past years that allowed us to help with expenses. Our ability to continue that is coming to an end and we will need to find ways to continue to offer the same services that people have come to expect without tax impacts. Building sewer infrastructure along our Route 9 corridor is very important to help us attract businesses to add to our tax base. We continue to look for ways to help fund that infrastructure.

Alan H VanTassel

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Robert J Vittengl Jr

Party: DEM, IND

No response.

Moreau Town Justice

Description: Town courts have jurisdiction over a broad range of matters, including vehicle and traffic matters, small claims, evictions, civil matters and criminal offenses.

Jeffrey B McCabe

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Moreau Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Lee Ann McCabe

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Northumberland

Northumberland - Town/County Supervisor

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Willard H Peck

Party: REP

No response.

Northumberland Town Justice

Description: Town courts have jurisdiction over a broad range of matters, including vehicle and traffic matters, small claims, evictions, civil matters and criminal offenses.

James S Evans

No response.

Northumberland Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Denise D Murphy

Party: REP

No response.

Northumberland Hwy Supt

Harold F Vance Jr

Party: REP

No response.

Northumberland Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):



Patricia Bryant

Party: REP

Biographical Info:

Education: Saratoga Springs High School Empire State College (BS)

Experience and Qualifications: 8 years serving on the Town Board Approx. 20 years serving on the Town Planning Board

Party Endorsements: Northumberland Republican Committee

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I have a strong financial background, having worked 42 years in banking. Fiscal responsibility remains an important issue in all levels of government. I am also very fortunate to be a present member of a cohesive and concerned Town Board.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: I remain available to all Town residents. I am the Treasurer of the Northumberland Fire District #1 and am active on the Town Republican Party Committee.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: Adequate internet access is important to rural residents and the Town Board is currently working towards that goal. The opening of the County Dump has raised some local issues regarding traffic and related concerns. While we are certainly glad to welcome new residents to the Town, it is important to maintain the Town's rural charm that drew people in the first place.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: In my time on the Board, I have been part of team to whom fiscal responsibility is a primary goal. Without that dedication, I believe that the 2% tax cap would certainly have impacted our ability to continue to provide services and meet our financial responsibilities. Our Town is fortunate to have a strong and talented Supervisor in Bill Peck, who is ably supported by my fellow Board members.

John DeLisle

Party: REP

No response.

Providence

Providence Town Council

Description: The Town Board is the legislative appropriating, governing and policy determining body of the Town. It determines the types and levels of service to be provided. The board annually adopts the Town budget which reflects the cost of conducting operations and monitors Town operations. In its legislative capacity, the Board passes resolutions and enacts ordinances and laws which govern the functions of town government and ensure the safety and well- being of all residents.

Candidates (choose 2):

William D Cummings

Party: REP
No response.

Sandra L Winney

Party: REP
No response.

Providence Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Susan Wemple

Party: REP
No response.

Providence Town Justice

Description: Town courts have jurisdiction over a broad range of matters, including vehicle and traffic matters, small claims, evictions, civil matters and criminal offenses.

James R Cummings Sr

Party: REP
No response.

Town of Saratoga

Town of Saratoga - Town/County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor is the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Officer, and Chief Executive Officer of Town Government. The Supervisor is the Chairman of the Town Board, and conduct Town Board meetings, public hearings, and public information meetings. The Supervisor represents the Town on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.



Thomas N Wood III

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: Schuylerville Central School Cornell University BS, SUNY Oneonta MS, SUNY Plattsburg MS & CAS

Experience and Qualifications: School teacher and principal 37 years, Town Supervisor 12 years, Town of Saratoga Historian 18 years, Town of Saratoga Zoning Board of Appeals 21 years

Key Endorsements: Town of Saratoga Republican committee, Saratoga County Independence Party, Saratoga County Conservative Party,

Party Endorsements: Republican, Independence, Conservative

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Questions:

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them during your term of office?*

A: The most pressing issues facing the Town of Saratoga today are keeping the town tax rate low and promoting a strong agricultural industry while at the same time encouraging business growth and job creation within the town. We can keep the town tax rate low by closely monitoring and controlling spending and by increasing business development that broadens and expands the tax base. We can develop a balance between a strong agriculture and business growth by careful planning that involves residents. Communication with and involvement of the residents of the town is critical in the decision making process. When everyone is involved in the process then the decisions are better.

Q: *What is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have.*

A: As a lifelong resident of the Town of Saratoga, I understand and appreciate the responsibility of leading the town. I want to insure that the town continues to be a pleasant, peaceful, economical community in which to live and raise a family. As a retired school teacher and principal I have the leadership skills, communication skills, training, knowledge, and experience required to communicate with the residents. I believe in setting goals and developing plans for their achievement.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: The most critical issues facing Saratoga County today are keeping taxes low, maintaining a strong agricultural industry, encouraging economic development, increasing the number of good paying, quality jobs, making reasonable cost housing available, and enhancing the quality of life by supporting and encouraging natural, cultural, educational, and historical assets.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: I believe in research based, data driven, shared decision making. This process requires the involvement of stakeholders from the beginning to the end of each decision. In the end the will of the majority must prevail while still protecting the rights of the minority. Often times some compromise is required so that in the end the best decision is reached. A county based economic development organization is essential in order for the county to be competitive in economic development. This county led organization must work closely with the entire county and move the county forward in a direction that reflects the desires of the county residents. Each individual town must maintain its right to establish and achieve its own plan for the future. This plan must recognize that they are a part of the larger county.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens*

A: Saratoga County maintains a high level of responsibility for the health and wellness of its residents. It must provide these services in a cost efficient manner without compromising the quality of the services. Providing for resident safety, social services support, health services, and a safe transportation network are a few of the areas in which our county excels. A top rated sheriffs department, efficient social services department, quality public health department, and outstanding public works department are a few of the means by which these services are delivered. Our Veterans Service Agency works closely supporting our veterans and our court system provides legal protection for everyone.

Town of Saratoga Highway Supt

Donald R Ormsby

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Town of Saratoga Tax Collector

Margaret E Kirkpatrick

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Town of Saratoga Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Linda McCabe

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: High School Graduate, Various training courses related to occupation.

Experience and Qualifications: 12 years as Deputy Town Clerk, 8 years as Planning Board Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Clerk.

Key Endorsements: Town Clerk Ruth Drumm, Town Supervisor Thomas N. Wood III

Party Endorsements: Republican, Conservative, Independence

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Questions:

Q: *What is your motivation for running for this office ? What special skills, knowledge, experience or training do you bring to this position?*

A: Our current Town Clerk is retiring and I enjoy working for our town residents. I would like the opportunity to continue to serve the town in the elected position of Town Clerk. For the past 12 years I have had the distinct honor of working with and being trained by our current Town Clerk, Ruth Drumm. Throughout these years working with Ruth, I have had the opportunity to be trained by an individual I highly respect and consider to be the best Town Clerk in the state of New York. Additionally, I have also served the town for the past 8 years in two other Clerk capacities; Clerk to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. I feel this has provided me with additional knowledge of the town, allowing me to better serve our residents.

Saratoga Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

Charles Hanehan

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.



Gary Squires

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: SUNY Albany (UAlbany) BS, MS: Chemistry; Schuylerville Central School

Experience and Qualifications: Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory – 26 years as manager / lead chemist; 2 years as founding member of startup materials testing laboratory (GE spin off); preceded by 6 years as an analytical chemist at General Electric Turbine Technology Laboratory. Also served 6 years as NYS certified chemistry teacher teaching general science.

Party Endorsements: Republican, Independence, Conservative

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: My career provided me with extensive managerial and supervisory experience, including planning, procurement, staffing, problem-solving, waste management, and health / safety awareness as related

to the day-to day-operation of chemistry laboratories with frequent federal oversight interaction. I have resided in the Town of Saratoga for my entire life and have children which may as well. I have a vested interest in ensuring our town is as good as it can be. I appreciate the work and accomplishments that our current town board has been responsible for, including the fiscal prudence displayed to keep town taxes in check while enhancing the quality of our lives. I am not claiming to have all the answers to any problems or challenges that come to the town board's attention. However, I believe I have the ability to listen to our community's members and to work together with my fellow board members to develop and evaluate solutions that will lead to the best resolutions to future challenges.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: I will encourage members of our town to attend the monthly town board meetings and to use my listed contact information to let us know of their concerns, as well as to propose solutions to any problems, whether they affect themselves individually, or the town as a whole. I believe there can be multiple solutions to any given problem, and often what is obvious to one person may not be so evident to another. Therefore it is imperative to share and consider as many potential solutions as possible in order to arrive at the best resolution.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: We must develop long-term strategies to preserve our residents' quality of life, as well as the rural character of our town in such a way that our taxes remain affordable, our farming industry is successful, and sensible commercial development is fostered in order to provide jobs, goods and services, and a healthy tax base to offset the current burden on residential properties.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: All towns are impacted by the challenge of balancing services with the ability to pay for them. In the Town of Saratoga we are fortunate to have managed available resources well as demonstrated by a recent independent audit. However, as with the stock market, "past performance is no guarantee of future success". We must continue to make sound fiscal decisions going forward.

Saratoga Springs

Saratoga Springs Mayor

Description: The Mayor is the chief executive officer and official representative of the City. The Mayor is the presiding officer of the City Council and is responsible for preparing the final agenda for each City Council meeting by obtaining a list of agenda items from each City Council member and the city's supervisors. The Mayor appoints the City Attorney and the members of the City Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Design Review Commission, Ethics Board, Urban Heritage Area Program Board, the Saratoga Springs Housing Authority Board of Directors; and the Recreation Commission pursuant to Civil Service Law and the Public Authorities Law.

Candidates (choose 1):



John F Safford

Party: REP, CON, IND, RFM

Biographical Info:

Education: Canisius College - BS Business Management State University of NY at Buffalo - Emerging Entrepreneur CAI - Certified Manager of Community Associations

Experience and Qualifications: For over 25 years my company specialized in municipal computerization throughout New York State with a specialty in law enforcement. These duties included automation for building and planning departments as a requisite for the building inspection and code enforcement requirements of New York State law. I understand insurance, capital projects, infrastructure, property maintenance, legislative process, parliamentary procedure (Roberts Rules) and legal process.

Key Endorsements: Jim Tedisco Kathy Marchione Drew Jarosh Jim Murphy AC Riley Mike O'Connell Scott Johnson

Party Endorsements: Independence, Conservative, Republican, Reform,

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: First I want to acknowledge that this is a very deep and long-standing question not only in Saratoga Springs but also throughout New York State. This divide recently has been amplified by the mobilization of a number of passionate activist groups. While activist groups are important, in the interests of fairness, the thoughts and ideas of a larger cross section of individual citizens - not aligned with these groups - must be heard and respected. It is important to me that decisions are based on fairness and in the best interests of the city instead of political bullying, regardless of the source. When walking door-to-door and talking with residents throughout Saratoga Springs, most citizens are in the middle on this issue. They talk about how much they enjoy our open spaces but also recognize the need for continuing economic growth to keep taxes from increasing. They do not want to stop all growth, but to temper it appropriately in the best interest of the town.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: I have a degree in Business Management and for over 25 years my company specialized in municipal computerization throughout New York State with a specialty in law enforcement. These duties included automation for building and planning departments as a requisite for the building inspection and code enforcement requirements of New York State law. I currently hold a CMCA designation, which is an internationally recognized certification for proficiency in all aspects of community governance and administration, which include budgeting, insurance, capital projects, infrastructure, property maintenance, legislative process, parliamentary procedure (Roberts Rules) and legal process (I am not an Attorney). I currently serve as Vice-chairman of the Community Associations Institute NY State Legislative Action Committee.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: The simple answer is "fairness" that will make this city even better for its residents. I learned what "a Republican" actually means when I joined the local Republican committee. When we would recite the pledge of allegiance and I actually listened to the words, I recalled my high school civics class and looked up what "and to the Republic for which it stands" actually means. What I realized is that in a Republic every individual is a minority who depends on the law to protect them from "the majority". For too many years, city government has been overly influenced by political bullying and "who knows who" while the average citizen is often left out to dry. I am a student of the fair and friendly school of management, which advocates for a culture, training and procedures that cuts out favoritism by increased efficiencies that serve everyone.

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: The council is the highest form of government in Saratoga Springs and has the responsibility to make decisions. With a constant and repeating echo of "what is best for the city"... "what is best for the city", I will hear what is being said and get out front of issues by letting people know where I stand rather than using the current delaying tactic and allowing the loudest voices to make decisions for me. While I will have an open mind if there is something I did not know, I will not allow myself to be pressured by special interests. I will not play politics. I will make decisions. I will not let issues fester and become increasingly divisive.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: I know from many years of paying up to 23 employees that I would go to great lengths to insure the wellbeing of my employees. Some lived in homes, some in new apartment buildings and others in apartments in older homes in the inner city. The prices they paid varied significantly based on what they needed and could afford. If this question is to be effectively addressed, it needs to be done in a way that includes the entire community and makes economic sense for everyone. I am open to some increased density as long as it is within the zoning regulations and does not burden neighborhoods. We are lucky that we still have some in-fill areas available that have been identified for future housing. That being said, I am convinced that seniors, singles and young marrieds living in the city are vital to the dynamic nature and future of our unique 21st century city.



Joanne D Yepsen

Party: DEM, WF

Biographical Info:

Education: Hartwick College, BA

Experience and Qualifications: A management professional with proven capabilities in strategic fiscal management, fundraising, marketing, board relations, building private-public partnerships, and personnel. Currently serving first term as Mayor following four consecutive terms as County Supervisor for Saratoga Springs.

Key Endorsements: Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Congressman Paul Tonko, Saratoga Area Labor Council, CSEA, CWA, Saratoga Springs Firefighters, Sheet Metal Workers Local 83, League of Conservation Voters

Party Endorsements: Democratic Party, Working Families Party

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: Future development must be designed in ways that protect our City in the Country model and overall quality of life, as we continue to work hard to balance growth, open space and historic preservation. My administration believes that our package of assets -- urban parks, recreation, waterways, the arts and creative economy, vibrant downtown, historic charm and a strong economic development plan that includes initiatives with more than just with bricks and mortar construction will continue to create the desirable quality of life and a strong local economy while avoiding overdevelopment. In our first term, we have taken many steps toward creating this balance.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: I am small business owner, long time resident, and I raised all three of my children here in Saratoga Springs. I worked in community relations and fundraising at Skidmore for 17 years and came up through community service serving on multiple boards in our community, chairing several. A leader before I took office, I then served eight years in public office on the County Supervisors board, which prepared me well for being Mayor. My legislative experience, knowledge of the issues, pulse on the community, and strong relations on federal and state and county level allow me to serve Saratoga Springs well. I believe my record as Mayor this term speaks to my skills and qualifications for the office. As mayor, I value the voice of every member of our city. I've always said, "I work for you, it's that simple" and that's exactly the approach I will continue to use as Mayor.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: If elected to a second term, I hope to continue to pursue projects and initiatives to make our city a more inclusive and sustainably developed. •The Greenbelt Multi-use Trail is in the forefront of our plans to establish an increase in recreation, tourism and economic development. The downtown connector from High Rock Park to Congress Park to Spa State Park has been established as our next priority. •The Geyser Road Trail is finally becoming a reality after my administration secured \$1.6 million in a state grant and construction is due to start in the first half of 2016. •I want to take our efforts to the next level regarding the Health and Wellness, Return of the mineral waters during our Centennial by opening a Health and Wellness center in our state park. My office has partnered with local non-profit in a major grant application to the State CFA. •We need to continue to get the helpless off the streets. I am working with the DBA, Chamber, and our police to towards this goal.

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: When facing difficult decisions, I weigh the costs and benefits, working across the aisle to find compromises that work for all those involved. I understand that good ideas don't come with party labels, will continue to work with members of all parties and no parties to find solutions to issues facing the city, and seek input from every member of our community and abundant resources with partnership and relationships I've established and continue to build. I build coalitions to tackle problems, call meetings with diverse members of our community to work together, and seek more input when needed.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: In order to ensure that working people can continue to work and live here, I have worked to create a plan for housing in the city more affordable. I created an 8-member Housing Task Force with the goal of not only finding homeless veterans permanent housing within the community, but re-evaluating the city's affordable housing stock and bringing recommendations to help lower-income people find homes. I am running my re-election campaign based upon the theme "one-city." I will continue to show that we are one city and we are working for everybody. Code Blue acts as a portal for those most in need. Also, I lend much support to our non-profits who are partnering with one another and my office to make lives better. We need to promote our cultural history so it stays alive now and forever more and most of all, be a welcoming community! I am the mayor for everyone. Equality and justice have been on the front burner the entire first term because I was raised to be there to help others.

Saratoga Springs Commissioner of Public Works

Description: The Commissioner of Public Works is the Department Head of the Department of Public Works, including the Utilities Department. The Commissioner is responsible for the oversight of street and highway maintenance including snowplowing, leaf pickup and sanding and salting; the maintenance and beautification of the City's Buildings and Grounds; the maintenance and inventory of the City's infrastructure; water and sewer billing, the maintenance, use of Congress Park and the use and rental of the Carousel, the Casino and other City facilities; and oversight of the City Engineer office

Candidates (choose 1):



William J McTygue

Party: DEM, WF

Biographical Info:

Education: Saratoga Springs High School, Hudson Valley Community College

Experience and Qualifications: Employment related experience includes a long and broad public work experience in Civil/Highway Engineering, Industrial/Utility Valuation and Government Purchasing and Contract Administration.

Key Endorsements: CSEA - Capital District Region Civil Service Employees Associaton, Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO. Also, The Capital District Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Party Endorsements: Democratic Party and Working Families Party

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: More than ever, Saratoga Springs continues to face the real dilemma of trying to balance economic needs with the environmental needs of our unique "City in the Country". All too often the debate is measured one against the other and the balanced principles of smart growth are tossed aside. Accordingly, I do not believe the choices have to be measured one without the other. As I talk to residents throughout our community there is genuine concern that smart growth opportunities are being missed, while at the same time people are concerned about the pace of growth and new development currently ongoing within Saratoga Springs. As the former Director of Public Works, too am concerned about the city's ability to keep up; especially when it comes to issues dealing with infrastructure, traffic, parking and housing. It's clear we are not keeping up. Also, with the near conclusion of funding for the city's first "Land Preservation Bond Act", it's time to reconsider a second Bond Act proposal.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: As a life-long Saratogian, I'm please to accept the challenge of running for office and a seat on the City Council. After having spent nearly a lifetime in working to make our city a better place to live, early-on as a city volunteer, serving on the Planning Board from 1998 thru 2005, or as an official with the Department of Public Works for the period 1999 through 2008, my work to my community is not done. I believe I have the necessary skills, background and understanding of city government to be an

effect member of the City Council. I'm not bashful about speaking up and putting good ideas on the table. My educational background and early professional career that focused on Civil /Highway engineering, coupled with 32 years in public service with Saratoga County Highway Department, the New York State (NYS) Office of Real Property Services and the NYS Office of General Services provides me with valuable public service experience.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: I will work to restore Public Works department pride and productivity, beginning with the DPW workforce. I will reverse the current declining trend of important city services. City residents should not have to wait days to have their street plowed in the winter or wait weeks for curbside pick-up of yard debris during spring and summer months. Restoring the city's Flower and Beautification Program to its former award-winning status will be a top priority. I will end the current practice of routinely contracting-out work that could easily be done by Public Works employees, saving both time and money. I will focus on a meaningful long-term plan for replacing aging city utility infrastructure in a way that makes sense for the taxpayer. Because the condition of our city playgrounds have deteriorated in recent years, I will initiate a needs and condition analysis of our city parks and playgrounds. I will set goals for a new, modern Public Works Garage to replace current outdated facility.

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: Whenever there is an important and controversial issue facing the City that requires City Council action, it must be approached with full transparency and opportunity for public input. Before making decisions on important issues, my first responsibility is to listen to the varied points of view involved and gather important facts. As with any decision making process, having a complete understanding of the subject material and the history of the issue usually allows for better outcomes. Also, it's important to encourage a dialogue that sometimes can lead to compromise. I consider myself to be an independent decision maker, open to good ideas that can lead to good results. In the final analysis, controversial decisions should be based on what's good for the general community.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: The issue of housing and residential rental affordability in Saratoga Springs is, perhaps, one of the greatest challenges facing our city today. The current economic reality has our city in the midst of a very healthy and escalating real estate market that drives the local cost of housing and rentals higher and higher. While we realize the cost of real estate is purely market driven, in many ways we are victim to our own success. In order to accommodate the need for a more diverse offering of housing stock that is affordable to the broader community, the city must be proactive in working with developers and encouraging new projects be built allowing greater affordability. By utilizing land use tools that are already available, the city could also adopt changes to its zoning code to allow greater flexibility in the construction of neighborhood in-law apartment additions and garage apartments were appropriate and in accordance with guidelines established by the city.



Anthony J Scirocco

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: Saratoga Springs High School

Experience and Qualifications: Anthony "Skip" Scirocco currently serves the people of Saratoga Springs as Commissioner of Public Works and perviously served as County Supervisor. With over 40 years of public service, and a deep connection to the community, Skip is uniquely qualified because he understands the issues that matter

most to Saratoga Springs residents.

Party Endorsements: The Republican, Independence, and Conservative party have all strong endorsed Skip Scirocco.

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: What makes Saratoga Springs special is the great people who live and work here. We are a rare community, if not the only one, in Upstate New York that is successful and growing economically. We

need to be very thoughtful in our economic development in a way that supports our local businesses, but protects our green space. During my time in office I've been proud of projects that protect or preserve the natural resources that make our city beautiful. The Railroad Run bike trail, the Spring Run Trail, finding a new water source to protect Saratoga Lake, and the Saratoga Lake Waterfront Park are all examples of DPW, under my leadership, working to extend, preserve, or protect our open space. I've also always worked within or under budget to ensure be fiscally responsible and help keep low taxes for businesses and taxpayers.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: My time in office and my experience as a lifelong resident of this community are two key qualifications that assist me in being able to meet the needs of the community. I've also spent my entire time in DPW fixing years of infrastructure issues to ensure we have a bright future ahead, that work is still being completed. Taking care of these infrastructure issues will make certain that the needs of our community are met, because our success relies entirely on safe roads, a reliable water system, water capacity, and the right foundation for reasonable growth.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: Many major initiatives have already been completed during my time in office, such as protecting Saratoga Lake, drilling new wells at bog meadow to meet source capacity needs, updating major water lines, replacing the filters with more efficient water filters and installing a backup generator at the water treatment facility. But this is just the start to even more work that needs to be completed to make certain that our infrastructure is in great shape. My goal is to continue fixing our infrastructure.

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: It's very important to listen to the public when addressing controversial issues, providing the opportunity for public input, and working in collaboration with fellow city council members. Too often the decisive nature of politics can cloud good decision making at the council table, but the people of Saratoga Springs expect more from their elected officials and I promise to do my best in meeting their expectations. While we might not agree on every issue, it's my goal to make the best effort to represent the community as a whole. At the department level, I'll continue making certain that DPW works for everyone in the community.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: I don't think this answer will be a surprise; we need to continue updating our city's infrastructure. Years of neglect left our infrastructure in disrepair by the previous administration, wooden pipes, 40 year-old water filters, and millions wasted on "studies" and "consultants" were common place. The people of Saratoga Springs deserved better and I've worked tirelessly to give that to them in an improve infrastructure. All these improvements have occurred while snow plowing and leaf removal has been accomplished at a professional level. Additionally, I recognize the importance of having a beautiful city, so I hired the city's first arborist to preserve our trees, plant beautiful flowers, and keep our park spaces great locations to spend time in our community.

Saratoga Springs Commissioner of Accounts

Description: The Commissioner of Accounts is the Department Head of the Accounts Department. The Commissioner serves as: City Clerk, City Assessor, Purchasing Agent, Insurance Officer, Records Management Officer, and Registrar of Vital Records. The Office of the City Clerk records and keeps minutes of the Council meetings, is the custodian of all City documents, keeper of the City Seal, and issuer of licenses and permits.

Candidate:



John P Franck

Party: DEM, WF, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: BBA Siena College 1985

Experience and Qualifications: Five-Term Commissioner of Accounts 2005 - Current

Party Endorsements: Democratic, Independence and Working Families Parties

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Questions:

Q: Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?

A: With a 2% tax cap it is imperative that the City of Saratoga Springs continues growth via economic development while still maintaining green space via our recently adopted Comprehensive Plan. The balance has been and I believe will continue to be balanced with the new Comp Plan, City Council Overview, and strong Land Use Boards which have been historically sensitive to both development and green space.

Q: What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?

A: First and foremost I have close to ten years on the City Council as the Commissioner of Accounts during arguably the greatest decade of balanced growth in the City's history. I also am a licensed Assessor, a Certified Public Accountant and an individual that has spent a majority of his life living in Saratoga Springs.

Q: What do you want to achieve during your term?

A: I want to continue to keep a reasonable budget which is less than my first budget in 2007. I pledge to not re-assess the City's properties and I will continue to fight for all of the taxpayers in this City.

Q: Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.

A: My process has always been the same since 2006, I review the pros and the cons of all issues, speak to people in the streets and then make a decision on what is best for the City and its residents both short-term and long-term.

Q: Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?

A: I believe allowing new workforce housing, similar to what was proposed back in 2004 behind Stonequist Apartments would be a great step forward.

Saratoga Springs Commissioner of Finance

Description: The Commissioner of Finance is the Chief Fiscal Officer (CFO) of the City of Saratoga Springs. The duties of the Commissioner include: first substitute for the Mayor, City Tax Collector, Bursar of City Funds, Internal Auditor, Custodian of City Monies, Keeper of City Financial Records, Budget Chairperson and Certifier of City Payrolls.

Candidates (choose 1):



Kenneth Ivins

Party: REP, RFM

Biographical Info:

Education: BS Recreation And Parks, West Virginia University Graduate of the Institute for Organization Management-US Chamber of Commerce

Experience and Qualifications: Commissioner of Finance – City of Saratoga Springs for four years

Key Endorsements: NYS Reform Party Ken Is an Independent running on the Republican line.

Party Endorsements: 440 Registered Republicans signed a petition to put Ken on the ballot.

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Questions:

Q: Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?

A: The key to everything in life is achieving a balance. A community is no different. A community needs to balance quality of life with affordability. Affordability includes keeping taxes down while offering a variety of jobs. But affordability also means economic sustainability and that goes hand in hand with budgeting. We need to be discerning with each project we put into place, to make sure we are always looking at our return on investments. It's important to note that our return on an investment could also be in the shape of public benefit. If a project will not yield a financial return of rate City, it better offer a solution to a public need or enhance the quality of life for our community.

Yes, we need to be reactive to the here and now, but the key to success for a balanced growth is to be proactive and look to the future with opportunities to sustain our great quality of life.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: I am an independent candidate running on the Republican line. Unlike my opponent, I don't have to answer to any party bosses. That means, I am free to work with anyone and to only represent the tax-paying residents of our city. This is extremely unprecedented in these days of partisan politics, and I am looking forward to running and serving, free from any conflicts of interest. The necessary evil of raising money for successful campaigns will also be quite different between my opponent and myself. In the past, I have relied on donations from individuals and the Republican Party while my opponent takes large amounts of money from big business and even lobbying groups. Recently, she was endorsed by the Independence Party and the Fireman's association; I was not even invited to those interviews. I contend that these are NOT endorsements, they are gifts. And, more importantly, these gifts beg the question, what is the Commissioner doing in return of these gifts.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: Very simply, I will bring back professionalism to the council table and conduct the business of the citizens. Anyone who watches our current City Council meetings is appalled at the unprofessional behavior of the current Commissioner of Finance. She continues to wage personal attacks, very reminiscent of the council of eight years ago. It is not just the attacks of other Council members people are uneasy about, but the Commissioner publicly attacks members of the public, business owners, as well as volunteers who serve on our land use boards. Disagreement is healthy. It allows all sides of an issue to be examined, the key is to keep it focused on the issues and be respectful, don't belittle those who disagree with you. Much damage has been done in the Finance Department, employee morale is low and workers walk on eggshells around the Commissioner. City hall is not a pleasant place to work and certainly not a welcome place to visit under our current Commissioner of Finance.

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: Over the years I have had a number of experiences that required a decision on what some might consider a controversial in nature. In the case of public office, I always sought information and opinion from as many different people as possible. I listened to public comment, emails, phone calls, friends, neighbors and people on the street. Additional research was often done to find out what experts had to say on the matter at hand or how other cities handled similar challenges. After gathering as much input as I could, then and only then I weighed all data and made a decision that I felt was best to meet the needs of the citizens of the city in the short term and long term. I would add that sometimes making the right decisions for the City was very unpopular and consequently very difficult. Part of being a leader is sometimes being able to have the courage to do what's best for the taxpayers and make those hard calls.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: Our City's success has been largely due to our unique history and character. If we do not stand guard and actively protect a key element to our current success, we run the risk of blending in with every other homogeneous and nondescript community. We have always had the ability to embrace a diverse group of people, including various cultures, races, and socioeconomic status. Although there is no one magic solution to this challenge, keeping the City affordable and accessible is at the foundation to our answer. Things like housing costs, property taxes, and job creation are just a few areas that must be addressed. We are blessed with a wide variety of good paying jobs, but we cannot rest on our laurels. We need to constantly build relationships with businesses who bring reliable, good paying jobs to the area. And our planning department needs to be working more closely with builders to help find solutions to more affordable renovations and new construction.



Michele Madigan

Party: DEM, WF, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: BA in History and an MLS in Library and Information Science

Experience and Qualifications: I am the incumbent Finance Commission of Finance since 2012. I have delivered budgets that increase essential services with no increase to property taxes. I have several years experience managing departments and budgets in both the private and public sector. I have worked on and delivered affordable housing projects, the

2MW Spa Solar Park, refinanced city debt saving tax payers 2.3M, and will work towards access to fast affordable broadband for all residents and businesses as a priority.

Key Endorsements: Saratoga Springs Firefighters, Women's Campaign Forum, Still waiting on endorsement announcements

Party Endorsements: Saratoga Springs Democratic Party Independence Party Working Families Party Women's Equality Party

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: Since taking office in 2012 I have worked to achieve this balance by, for example, opposing changes to the Comprehensive Plan to allow PUDs in our greenbelt and/or the creation of a Resort Overlay District. I successfully brought forward an amendment to our solar ordinance that inadvertently thwarted our stated desire for dense development in our downtown. As a homeowner in the northwestern corner of our City in the Country I am an ardent defender of our environmentally sensitive areas while also advocating economically sustainable development in our urban core.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: In my two terms as Commissioner of Finance I have presented well crafted budgets that enhance and maintain City services while stabilizing property tax rates. I have delivered budgets with 0 increases in property taxes. I have successfully worked with Democrats and Republicans to bring innovative solutions to our residents and will continue to do so if reelected.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: Maintain city services with stable property taxes; completion of Phase 1 of the Spa Solar Park and progress towards Phase 2, which should include community access to solar power; meaningful progress towards developing broadband infrastructure to provide high speed internet to all. Affordable Housing will also be a top priority for me during the upcoming term. Affordable Housing is an initiative I have already delivered on for the City (see question below regarding our diverse population).

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: When faced with a controversial issue I gather as much information as possible, speak with advocates of all sides of the issue, weigh all the evidence and options, and reach a decision that I think is in the best interests of the City.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: As regards the desire for economic diversity in Saratoga Springs, I worked to set aside two properties to be developed by Habitat for Humanity and Saratoga Builders, and will continue to seek such opportunities to encourage affordability housing. I have already stated that Affordable Housing will be a top priority for me. I plan to work the Saratoga Spring Housing Authority and other interested parties to make this a reality.

Saratoga Springs Commissioner of Public Safety

Description: The Commissioner of Public Safety supervises the Department of Public Safety - the Police Department, the Fire Department, Code Administration, Animal Control, and Parking Enforcement. The Commissioner serves on the City Council which has legislative powers.

Candidates (choose 1):



Christian E Mathiesen

Party: DEM, WF, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: St. Peter's Academy '68 Boston College BA Psychology-Pre-Med '73 Fairleigh Dickinson U. Dental School '77

Experience and Qualifications: Resident of Saratoga Springs since 1954. Local Business owner since 1977 (Dental Practice) Leadership Saratoga lass of 2000 Zoning

Board of Appeals 2000-2006 (Chair 2005-06) City Council as Commissioner of Public Safety 2012-present

Key Endorsements: Many local Democrats, Republicans, other party and non-affiliated voters support my candidacy.

Party Endorsements: Saratoga Springs Democratic Committee Independence Party Working Families Party

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: Saratoga Springs is the envy of NYS because of its well conceived Comprehensive Plan which was recently updated by this City Council. The 1999 and 2001 Comp. Plans were based on the concept of assigning commercial and dense residential uses to the core of the City while protecting the greenbelt area from commercial and residential sprawl. This 'City in the Country' concept has served the community well and, despite recent attempts by special interests to undermine our zoning standards, the 2015 Comp. Plan does re-enforce this theme. I have been an instrumental voice on the City Council for protecting our greenbelt from expanded commercial interests and I will continue to do so. I am also committed to encouraging the commercial and dense residential uses in our City's core and especially to broadening the mixed uses in our very successful downtown.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: Having lived in Saratoga Springs for nearly all my life and being a part of the business community since 1977, I bring an important perspective to the City Council. As one of the five people who are given the responsibility for all major decisions facing our City, I believe that my judgment and experience are very valuable. My background with the ZBA and all the training that that entailed has helped me tremendously as we completed the final steps of updating the all important Comprehensive Plan as well as giving me a full understanding of the requirements for open meetings. As a business person, I fully understand the need for careful spending balanced against necessary community investment. As Commissioner of Public Safety, I have been overseeing police, fire/EMS, code enforcement and parking enforcement and regulations for nearly four years. These functions have all improved under my administration. Crime rates are low and the Fire/EMS Dept. has taken on an ambulance service.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: My highest priority for my next term is to bring more complete Fire/EMS service to the City. We have taken major steps towards acquiring land in an ideal location for a necessary third Fire/EMS station. Fire Chief Williams has a well thought-out plan for staffing three engine crews instead of two and two ambulances instead of one with minimal overall increases in staffing. I would also like to take measures to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety throughout our City and to focus on the needs of our residents and our neighborhoods. We haven't done enough in this area. Another area of importance for me is to make more progress towards establishing housing resources for all income levels. We need workforce housing and low and moderate income units to bring diversity back to our City..

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: I take a lot of time to think about controversial issues. I try to identify the pros and cons and to fully understand the perspectives of all parties. I then try to visualize the present and future impacts. I then make my decision based on what I perceive as what is best for the community. I am very independent and I do not allow special interests to dictate to me how to run the DPS or what to say or do at the City Council table.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: See above. We have recently spoken to people who represent companies that focus on bringing workforce and affordable housing units to communities. I will continue to press for such projects. We also must encourage developers to look into building more inclusive projects. We should also have a community discussion of whether zoning ordinances to require affordable housing should be enacted.



Richard Wirth

Party: REP, CON, RFM

Biographical Info:

Education: Adelphi University, Masters of Professional Studies/Recreation Administration, May, 1982, Unity College, Unity, Maine B. A. Psychology (Minor: Physical Education), June 1971

Experience and Qualifications: served as Saratoga Springs Public Safety Commissioner (2010-2011), Licensed Private Investigator (28 years), Special Assistant to the Commissioner 1992-2003 Town of Hempstead Parks & Recreation Hempstead, NY

Key Endorsements: Saratoga Springs Republican Committee, Saratoga Conservative Party, Upstate Conservative Coalition, Assemblyman James Tedisco Police Benevolent Association of the New York State Troopers, Inc

Party Endorsements: Saratoga Springs Republican Committee, Saratoga Conservative Party, Reform Party

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Questions:

Q: *Tell us your thinking on the necessary balance between economic development and maintenance of environmentally sensitive surroundings. How would you achieve this balance?*

A: Saratoga's unique historic charm and character make preservation a vital local issue. Our downtown is the economic engine of the entire county and keeping downtown vibrant and bustling is the most important ingredient to our success. Our surrounding areas should be preserved as open space as much as possible with limited development to keep the gateways of Saratoga Springs green and beautiful; this balance is what drew me to love this City and make it my home. I want to see Saratoga Springs keep progressing toward a positive future, one that draws visitors from far and wide, to enjoy our success along with us.

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that make you a good candidate to meet the current needs of the community?*

A: I like discussions and working together. I love finding solutions to the problems we have in our City. Unlike the current Commissioner, I think review boards in Public Safety are necessary so the public can weigh-in and have a voice in local government. Also, having spent many years as a Private Investigator, I have worked closely with many Public Safety agencies and understand the nuances and intricacies involved in handling sensitive cases. Having previously served in this office, I am familiar with City Hall and the job at hand.

Q: *What do you want to achieve during your term?*

A: I want to make Saratoga Springs a safer City for our residents, families, and for those that visit us. Saratoga Springs will only be successful as long as people find enjoyment here as they visit our restaurants, shops and vibrant downtown. If the crime surge in neighboring cities continues to approach and threatens our lifestyle, we stand to lose the success we have gained. Many downtown employees have told me they are afraid to walk at night or park in the garages. In 2010-2011 I proposed video cameras downtown to deter crime and I now propose adding cameras in downtown parking garages and additional areas. I also propose police officers walking the beat, and more officers out from behind desks in the busy summer season on the streets. We need to work on traffic safety, pedestrian safety, and traffic congestion. Immediately, I have an answer for the residents on the East Ridge because they need, and deserve, a reduced response time for EMS services.

Q: *Describe your decision making process when faced with controversial issues.*

A: As I encounter issues it is my nature to discuss with all stakeholders all the options involved. Previously, when serving as Commissioner of Public Safety, this was my greatest strength: bringing unity and open discussion to the Council table. The City Council today is plagued with arguing, bickering, lack of unity and poor decisions resulting in several lawsuits and misconduct investigations. Just because someone is elected to office, this doesn't mean they should have the last word or only say on an issue. The government is no longer working for the people. I believe in working together, with all Council members, hearing the voice of citizens to find solutions that appeal to everyone, and thereby solving the issues that confront us. Sometimes listening can be more powerful than always speaking or trying to get in the last word. The decorum at Council meetings can be greatly improved and we CAN work together.

Q: *Saratoga Springs has a rich history of a diverse population. How can we ensure that working people can continue to live here?*

A: As a City, we need to help all people and the best place to start is with our homeless population that has grown the past few years. I propose a partnership between City, County, State, Federal and charitable agencies to create a program to assess and help those most in need. Through assessment and the correct programs, we can find housing, jobs, and even rehabilitation for people in need. Code Blue was a start, but only a small piece of the puzzle. Housing and jobs are the next step to help people off the street and on to work. Also, as a community, we need to focus on bringing jobs to Saratoga Springs -all jobs, from low-income to high-income. We need to make lower taxes a priority so that Saratogians, who love living here, don't feel the need to move because the tax burden is too high. It is possible to lower taxes and maintain, or even enhance, services!

Saratoga Springs - County Supervisor

Description: The Supervisor represents the Town on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

Candidates (choose 2):



Peter R Martin

Party: DEM, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: BA Boston College JD Boston College Law School

Experience and Qualifications: In the past, I have been: Attorney, Davis, Wright Todd, Reise and Jones, Seattle, WA; General Counsel and Senior Vice President, The Ayco Company; Saratoga County Clerk; and, Chairman, Arthritis Foundation Northeast United States Region; I am currently: Board member, Arthritis Foundation (National);

Treasurer and Board member, Caffè Lena; Saratoga County Supervisor

Key Endorsements: New York League of Conservation Voters

Party Endorsements: Democratic Party Independence Party

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Questions:

Q: *What is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have?*

A: I began work in Saratoga Springs over a decade ago and moved here with my family two years later. I have come to know many of the residents and merchants of this city and have developed a strong desire to serve and help them maintain and improve the quality of life that they enjoy here. I have heard many different voices express concern for the prospects and development of our city and respect them and their differing views. My background as an attorney focusing on corporate, financial and regulatory issues provides a strong foundation for this office of County Supervisor. I have added to that business background significant experience in charitable undertakings as chairman of the Arthritis Foundation, Northeastern United States Region, Treasurer and Board Member of Caffè Lena and several others. In addition, my service as County Clerk and, for the last two years, as County Supervisor has provided insight into the working of local government and the interaction with state government.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: Saratoga County is one of the fastest growing counties in New York. While growth brings many advantages, it also brings challenges. We are losing some of the open space that gives Saratoga the character that we love. Our municipal water, sewer and utility transmission services were built for a smaller population in a time that has past. This necessary infrastructure has deteriorated with age. As more people live and work in Saratoga County, traffic has become a major detractor from our quality of life. The cost of living in our county grows faster than wages and much faster than pensions, making it difficult or impossible for middle class families and retirees to live here.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: The county should have a comprehensive plan that not only addresses issues like zoning, subdivision and land development ordinance's, but also includes growth boundaries, standards for agricultural, trail and open space easements and alternative transportation (including mass transportation) solutions. We need land ordinances that promote affordable housing for those earning modest wages. This will require better coordination between the towns, city and county as well as regional agencies (like CDTA). Efforts have been undertaken in some of these areas, but we need a greater commitment and investment for our future.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens?*

A: Our county should provide high quality health and wellness services. All residents benefit from active public health initiatives. The issues of health and wellness go beyond the services currently provided by the county's departments of Mental Health, Office of the Aging, Employment and Training, Public Health Nursing Services, Water, Sewer, Social Services, Veteran's Services, and Youth Bureau. Health and wellness are affected by decisions made or opportunities lost in the areas of parks, trails, open space, pollution, recycling/dumping and mass transportation and alternative transportation. We should better coordinate the activities of county departments to achieve the most effective health and wellness benefits. Specifically, the influx of homeless into our cities and towns should be dealt with compassion and aggressive plans through our Mental Health Clinic, Social Services Department, and Employment and Training initiatives.



Matthew E Veitch

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: B.S. in Secondary Education, SUNY Plattsburgh, 1994 A.S. in Applied Information Technology, Pace University, 2005

Experience and Qualifications: I am or have been: Chairman of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors, served on most of the Board Standing Committees; Director, Capital Resource Corporation, Director, Saratoga County Prosperity

Partnership, Preservation Foundation Board, County Law Library Board, Saratoga Casino & Raceway Foundation, Open Space Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, Saratoga History Museum, Saratoga County EOC Board. I manage over \$1 Billion in fixed assets for Verizon Communications, Inc.

Key Endorsements: Saratoga Springs Firefighters Local 343

Party Endorsements: Republican, Conservative, Independence

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Questions:

Q: *What is your motivation for running for this office? What special skills, knowledge, expertise or training do you have?*

A: As a fifth-generation Saratogian, my family has a long history of public service to the community. Watching their example, it motivated me to serve the City of Saratoga Springs, and I have been a County Supervisor since 2008. Because of my background, I have a good historical knowledge that helps me to make informed decisions when presented with issues at the County level. I served on the City's Zoning Board of Appeals before becoming Supervisor, so that gave me good training for how things would be once I was elected. I currently serve on a multitude of local boards and committees, which helps me to keep abreast of the most current issues facing our City and County. I believe it is good to stay involved with the public, even as an elected official. I am also the current Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, so in that role, I have a direct understanding of what issues face our County, as well managing as the day-to-day operations of government.

Q: *What are the most critical issues facing Saratoga County today and in the near future? Please explain your answer*

A: The most critical issues facing Saratoga County today are two-fold. The first is the growth of our County, and the challenge of managing it. Saratoga County is one of the fastest growing counties in New York State. This has brought us many benefits, such as healthy sales tax and other revenues, which has allowed us to keep taxes on our residents low. We need to make sure our growth is balanced, and not too rapid. The other issue is related to the first. Saratoga County Government has not kept up with the pace of growth in our community, and we need to begin to expand our services, staffing, and policies to keep up with the times. We still lag with our technology, as well as having

antiquated ways of doing business that create inefficiencies that do not adequately serve the public. We need to begin to invest in our County, so we can be a modern, efficient, responsive government that serves the public at the level of service they expect in today's world.

Q: *Given the growth and development in Saratoga County, what specific growth management techniques would you propose to meet new needs while preserving the quality of life in our communities?*

A: It is a difficult challenge for Saratoga County to manage growth on a County-wide level. Our County allows for each Town and City to manage its own growth individually. There are local planning and zoning laws that govern growth in each of our communities. Where the County can work to balance our rapid growth while working to improve quality of life is embodied in initiatives like our Trails Committee and Open Space Committee. In addition, our Planning Department advises our communities on growth initiatives that help appropriately manage our growth. In 2015, we restored our Open Space fund with \$250,000, and our Trails initiatives for the first time were funded at \$100,000. We need to continue to do these types of things at the County level, using our influence where we can to assist communities in managing their growth. I would support continuing those initiatives for future years.

Q: *What are your ideas about the responsibilities of Saratoga County for health and wellness services for its citizens?*

A: I think Saratoga County has a responsibility for health and wellness of our citizens. We have a Trails Committee that continues to open public trails on County Forestland parcels yearly, which are places where people can exercise and do other healthy activities outdoors. We also, through our Public Health department, disseminate information to our residents on how to live a healthy lifestyle. In addition, our DPW department is considering walking and biking concerns when repairing and replacing roads and bridges, creating better shoulders and widening roads so people can safely walk or ride on them. I believe we should continue to do what we can to promote healthier living, whenever we can.

Stillwater

Stillwater Town Council

Candidates (choose 2):



Lisa A Bruno

Party: REP, CON, IND

Biographical Info:

Education: Tompkins Cortland Community College

Experience and Qualifications: Over 16 years working in the legislature in various roles. Key understanding of the legislative process. Strong people skills. Great listener and strong work ethic.

Party Endorsements: Republican, Conservative, Independence Party & NYS Reform Party

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I am involved on many levels of our wonderful community. I have been a member of the Town Board since being first elected in 2008. I am the Chairwoman of several committees; Community Center, Library and Historical, Promotions and Public Relations, Buildings & Grounds & Parks and Rec and Police Commission. I volunteer for many organizations in our community. My children have been involved in our school and communities soccer leagues, baseball leagues, football leagues and cheer-leading and with that I am around our residents on a regular basis and it allows me to gather feedback on many issues that face our community. I believe serving the people and strong constituent communication is vital to making our community the best it can be. It is important to be accessible so we can respond to resident concerns as best we can.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: I attend many events and meetings in our Town and I am always available in person, by phone, email and via social media. I am always accessible to our residents to respond to the issues they face. Since being on the Town Board we have implemented greater transparency with a lot of information available on our website, our Facebook page and at our Town meetings.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: One of the pressing issues facing our Town is the need for infrastructure to support controlled growth in our town and bring in business to help support our tax base. We have been planning and preparing for several years and just recently have begun to bring a water line in, which will alleviate some issues we have been having with water. We have been working on a possible inter-municipal agreement to lower the cost for the water for all users, which as many residents who pay for water know, that water has been far too costly with the previously negotiated contracts (which are due to expire in the next two years) and our dependency on other municipalities for water. It is important for the Town of Stillwater to have its own water supply. With the water line in place, it will attract businesses and that will ensure we keep our taxes low.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: We have been fortunate with the PILOT funds from Global foundries to have the ability to provide additional services for our residents and have had minimal issues with the tax cap. We also realize that it is vital to have other businesses come to Stillwater as well. This way we can continue to, not only provide the services we already do, but add other vital services to make life as great as it can be in our community without going over the 2% spending cap.



Patrick F Nelson

Party: DEM

Biographical Info:

Education: Stillwater High School Class of 2008; B.S. Biochemistry and Biophysics RPI; Attended the School of Law at St. John's University 2012-2013.

Experience and Qualifications: Nanotechnology Entrepreneur: Ligandal Inc., Molecular Payload Systems, Inc. Summer Fellow NYS Court System, Campaign Fellow: Aaron Woolf for Congress, Campaign Manager: Rick Nelson for Mayor

Key Endorsements: Congressman Paul Tonko, Saratoga County Central Labor Council

(AFL-CIO)

Party Endorsements: Stillwater Democratic Party, Stillwater Turning Point Party.

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Questions:

Q: *What unique qualifications do you have that makes you a good candidate to meet the current needs of our community*

A: I have spent time in the world of high-tech entrepreneurship and understand the new economy. I also work with local entrepreneurs to help them start and plan for their businesses. It is this experience I hope to capitalize on for the sake of the community, to help grow our industrial base upon which we can build the services we all want such more dining options and local retail shops.

Q: *How will you reach out to your community to assure broad based community support and involvement?*

A: That's exactly what I have been doing. I have spent most of my campaign meeting voters in the community and going door-to-door. When we talk my goal is to ask questions and listen to what they feel our biggest challenges are and work together to craft solutions that can help us move forward to a better future. I will always have an open door policy and the first plank of our campaign platform is "Servant Leadership". I'm running to work for they people, they are the boss and I am the employee.

Q: *What are the most pressing issues facing your town today? How would you propose to address them?*

A: Stillwater's largest need now is for economic growth and local well-paying jobs. We need to grow private sector businesses that provide the services people want, while employing members of the community. Our Town has at least 6 open retail store fronts (4 in the Village, and at least 2 more in

the Town). My goal as a member of the council is to fill those stores. The current strategy is built upon the idea of attracting established businesses to Stillwater, this has not worked. I propose we go a new way. We must put in place programs that empower and support our residents to become the entrepreneurs we need to get our industrial and commercial economy going again. Through education and by creating a vehicle for residents in Stillwater to pool resources to invest in Stillwater businesses we can thrive again. I believe my neighbors, and I'm excited to see what they can come up with when they are properly empowered and supported.

Q: *Given the 2% tax cap, has your town been impacted by the need to balance services and ability to pay?*

A: As far as this budget cycle goes it appears we will be passing a measure to raise taxes beyond the cap. A better way in my opinion is what I have outlined in my other answers. To grow the commercial and industrial economy to take the tax burden off of homeowners.

Crystal A Shippy

Party: DEM

No response.

Ellen R Vomacka

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Waterford

Waterford - Town/County Supervisor

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John E Lawler

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Waterford Town Clerk

Description: The Town Clerk records the official activities of Town Government, serves as Records Management Officer, Filing Officer, Licensing Officer, Election Coordinator and Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Darlene A Dziarcak

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Waterford Town Council

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Candidates (choose 2):

David F. Ball

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Francis S McClement

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Waterford Town Justice

Description: Town courts have jurisdiction over a broad range of matters, including vehicle and traffic matters, small claims, evictions, civil matters and criminal offenses.

Nancy M Sunukjian

Party: REP, CON

No response.

Wilton

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Arthur J Johnson

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

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Candidates (choose 2):

John J Lant

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Steven C Streicher

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

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David R Towne

Party: REP, CON, IND

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Susan E Baldwin

Party: REP, CON, IND

No response.

Wilton Hwy Supt.

Kirclin D Woodcock

Party: REP, CON

No response.