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to the Voters of Westchester County**

2021 VOTERS GUIDE

**VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2
6:00 AM - 9:00 PM
EARLY VOTING
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23 -
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31**

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TO THE VOTERS OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY

The 2021 election season continues to be a challenging one for our nation, our state, and Westchester County due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, New York State rallied as Legislators in Albany enacted major election law reform this year, including encouraging the use of absentee ballots with voters selecting “temporary illness” on the application if they preferred to not vote in person; voters curing any deficiencies on their absentee ballots as contacted by their Board of Elections (BOE); absentee ballots being accepted over 30 days before the election; BOEs accepting ballots with illegible postmarks if received by the deadline; and if on parole for a felony and a conditional pardon is received, the parolee can vote if registered. Applications requesting to receive an absentee ballot by mail must be received by the Westchester County Board of Elections no later than fifteen days before the election (October 18.) For absentee ballots to be received in-person, applications must be received by your board no later than the day before the election.

Early Voting is encouraged, during which New Yorkers can cast their ballots from October 23 through October 31, or on Election Day, November 2. In Westchester County, a voter can vote or submit their absentee ballot at any of the Early Voting Centers in the county, at the Westchester BOE, or at any poll location on Election Day. In-person Election Day voting is at a voter’s assigned poll location. The League continues to marshal its forces to educate the voters of how these reforms will impact this year’s voting schedules and rules through social media, websites, PSAs, and more.

In any year, following races can be difficult, as is learning about the candidates. It has long been the League of Women Voters’ mission to give voters the tools for making their election decisions. The 2021 Voters Guide is an essential non-partisan blueprint of candidates and their positions.

Due to early publication deadlines, not all candidates have responded to our questions at the time of printing. You can read up-to-date information through Election Day at Vote411.org, and your polling location by simply entering your home address.

Another cornerstone of the League’s work is sponsoring and moderating candidate meetings, conducting them in a fair manner that facilitates civil discourse. The county League is sponsoring virtual candidate forums for several races throughout the county. You will find this information on page 4; however, for the most updated information on these activities, you are encouraged to refer to Vote411.org.

Dedicated League volunteers have spent many hours collecting the information that appears in this Voters Guide and on Vote411.org. The League widely distributes printed guides throughout Westchester to libraries, community centers, town and city halls, and many other locations, as permitted due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. This publication also relies on support of charitable donors, for which we are immensely grateful.

To defend democracy, your vote is your power.

Kathy Meany

President, LWV of Westchester Education Foundation, Inc.

You can follow our activities or support our efforts at lwvw.org and on Facebook and Twitter, or contact us at 914-949-0507 or westchesterlwv@gmail.com.

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INFORMATION IN THIS GUIDE

The League of Women Voters does not support or oppose any candidate or political party. Candidate information in this ***Voters Guide*** is supplied by the candidates themselves and by the Board of Elections. The League provides questionnaires to all candidates whose candidacy has been verified with the Board of Elections. The League of Women Voters takes no responsibility for the content or accuracy of the responses. The candidates for each race are presented in alphabetical order by last name.

The information contained in this ***Voters Guide*** is what has been provided at press time. Candidate responses are reprinted as submitted by the candidate. There may be additional choices on the 2021 ballot that were not available at press time, e.g., “Opportunity to Ballot” candidates, as well as additional municipal propositions. For the most current election information, please check ***Vote411.org***. Please check with your city, town, or village clerk for any local propositions not listed in this ***Voters Guide***.

This Guide is available on our website (www.lwv.org).

KEY TO WESTCHESTER PARTY ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS GUIDE

Abbreviation	Local Independent Party
CS.....	Common Sense
4NC.....	4 New Castle
UNC.....	Unite New Castle
BR.....	Balanced Rock
10803T.....	10803 Together
SU.....	Somers United
BU.....	Bedford United
MRF.....	Moving Rye Forward
TU.....	Tarrytown United
VA.....	Village Alliance
POV.....	Preserve Our Village
4MK.....	4 Mount Kisco
NU.....	Neighbors United
CU.....	Cortlandt United
HBP.....	Harry Barrera Party

Abbreviation	Party
Dem.....	Democratic
Rep.....	Republican
Con.....	Conservative
WF.....	Working Families

OUT OF STATE? OUT OF COUNTRY? CAN'T GET TO THE POLLS? VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT!

Call the Westchester County Board of Elections at 995-5700 to request an Application for Absentee Ballot,

Or Go to <http://citizenparticipation.westchestergov.com> to download an application

Mail completed application to: Board of Elections, 25 Quarropas St, White Plains, NY 10601 by Oct. 18.

Or use the absentee ballot application tool at <http://elections.ny>

Or Deliver in person to: Board of Elections, 25 Quarropas St., White Plains by Nov. 2.

An Official Absentee Ballot will be mailed to you. It must be returned **in person by November 2** or **by mail postmarked no later than midnight, November 2** (and received by the Board of Elections no later than Nov. 9).

The Early Voting period for NYS is Oct 23 – Oct 31 2021.

For early voting dates, times and places, go to <http://citizenparticipation.westchestergov.com>.

Click on the link for Early Voting.

2021 Virtual Candidate Meetings

Sponsored by the League of Women Voters

(Changes to events will be posted on Vote411.org & LWVW.org.

You may also call the contact person for each event.)

Date/Time	Offices	Information Contact Person/League
10/12/21, 7 pm	West. County Legislator #10	Joan Alexander, (914) 632-2308, New Rochelle
10/13/21, 7 pm	Rye Town Council	Doug French, (914) 967-7298, RRBPC
10/13/21, 7 pm	Bedford Town Races	Katherine Dering (914) 234-7599, NEW
10/17/21, 5:30pm	Tarrytown Mayor, Trustees	Susan Maggiotto (914) 755-0090, Rivertowns
10/18/21, 7 pm	White Plains Common Council	Stephen Cohen (914) 263-6453, White Plains
10/19/21, 7pm	West. County Legislator #15	Susan Maggiotto (914) 755-0090, Rivertowns
10/19/21, 8pm	Yonkers City Council President	Susan Maggiotto (914) 755-0090, Rivertowns
10/21/21, 7pm	Lewisboro Town Offices	Katherine Dering (914) 234-7599, NEW
10/21/21, 7pm	West. County Legislator #4 New Castle Town Races	Mary Kirsch (914) 409-2989, New Castle

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Westchester County
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You can build your own personal ballot. Just go to www.Vote411.org, then enter your address on the home page. You can view all of the races and compare all of the candidates, plus view any initiatives or proposals on your ballot. Candidates may provide a picture, a link to their website, and respond to a question posed by the LWV of Westchester County. The site is private and secure. You may print or email your personal ballot and take it with you to the polls. **The information on this site is routinely updated.** Here is a sample of the site:



PERSONALIZED VOTING INFORMATION

Enter Your Address to Get Started:

- ✓ See What's On Your Ballot
- ✓ Check Your Voter Registration
- ✓ Find Your Polling Place
- ✓ Discover Upcoming Debates In Your Area
- ✓ And Much More!

Street address

City

Select a state ▼

Zip code

Submit

The League of Women Voters is committed to ensuring voters have the information they need to successfully participate in elections. The League created VOTE411.org in 2006 and has provided tens of millions of voters with information about the election process and information directly from candidates regarding their vision for their community's and America's future. Every election, whether local, state, or federal, is important to ensuring our laws and policies reflect the values and beliefs of our communities.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY LEVEL RACES

NY Supreme Court Justice - 9th Judicial District

Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester Counties

Term: 14 years **Salary:** \$219,200

Duties: The Supreme Court, the highest trial court, has unlimited jurisdiction and can hear any type of case, but usually hears cases outside the jurisdiction of other courts, e.g., civil matters dealing with monetary amounts over the jurisdiction of lower courts, divorce, separation and annulments. Justices are elected from each of the state's 12 Judicial Districts.

Candidates (choose 5):

Robert M Berliner



Party: Dem, Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Suffern, New York

Education: BA New York University Juris Doctorate Western New England University School of Law

Prior Civic Service: Rockland County Surrogate's Court Judge Rockland County Legislator

Campaign Web Site: <http://courtbob@aol.com>

Campaign Email: courtbob@aol.com

Campaign Phone: (845) 826-3769

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: I have been presiding over Supreme Court cases for sixteen years. I was a Principal Law Clerk assigned to a Supreme Court Justice for twenty one years. Besides my regular civil caseload I preside over Mental Hygiene Law Article 81 guardianship proceedings, Rockland County tax certiorari proceedings and am the justice assigned to the Rockland County Foreclosure Court.

Christie L. D'Alessio



Party: Dem, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Irvington

Education: Mercy College, 1998, Magna Cum Laude Pace Law School 2002, Magna Cum Laude

Prior Civic Service: Westchester County Attorney's Office 2001-2014

Campaign Web Site: <http://judgechristiedalessio.com>

Campaign Email: citizensforjudgedalessio@gmail.com

Campaign Phone: (914) 419-5440

Facebook: <http://judgechristie.dalessio.52>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: I am a dedicated wife and mother of three

which carries over to my role as a public servant. Raised in a modest working family, I have always followed my parents' example to work hard for results. I treat those who appear before me with respect and courtesy always ruling with compassion and applying common sense to the law. I truly feel that my experience as a judge and a court attorney has provided me with a unique perspective to serve as a Supreme Court Justice.

Thomas R. Davis

Party: Dem, Rep

Richard J. Guertin



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Middletown

Education: Orange County Community College (A.A. degree); Hamilton College (B.A. degree); New York University School of Law (J.D. degree)

Prior Civic Service: Lector, St. Joseph's Church, Middletown; former coach, Middletown Youth Soccer League; former Committee Chairman and Assistant Scoutmaster, Boy Scout Troop 273; former member, Walden ZBA

Campaign Web Site: <http://judguguertin.com>

Campaign Email: judgeguertin2021@gmail.com

Campaign Phone: (914) 489-9403

Facebook: <http://@JudgeGuertin>

Instagram: <http://@JudgeGuertin>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: I've been Middletown City Court Judge since May 2018. I previously served as a private mediator and arbitrator, an arbitrator for attorney fee disputes, and a Hearing Officer for the Orange County Dept of Health, as well as lawyer for the City of Middletown, Town of Wawayanda, Town of Wallkill, and other municipalities. I teach Business Law at OCCO, have been married 36 years, and am the father of four. As judge, it's my job not to legislate but to apply the law to the facts in making decisions.

James M. Hendry III

Party: Rep

James L. Hyer



Party: Dem, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mahopac

Education: PACE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Juris Doctor and Environmental Law Certificate; RAMAPO COLLEGE, Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, Political Science, Public Policy, Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society, President; Pi Sigma Alpha and Omicron Delta Kappa National Honor Societies, Member; NEW YORK STATE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM: Mediation Training

Prior Civic Service: Westchester County Bar Association: 2021 President; Grievance Committee Hearing Officer; New York State Bar Association - Member House of Delegates 9th Judicial District 2021 – Leading Attorney by Hudson Valley Magazine; 2020 – New York State Senate Commendation for Human Rights Advocacy; 2019 – New York State Bar Association Foundation Fellow; 2016 - Leading Attorney Under 40 Presented by organizations including Pace Law School; 2014 - Leadership Award by Westchester County Bar Association

Campaign Web Site: <http://www.hyer4supremecourt.com/>

Campaign Email: hyer4supreme2021@gmail.com

Campaign Phone: (845) 323-1369

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/james.hyer.92/>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: I ask that you consider voting for me for New York State Supreme Court in the Ninth Judicial District due to my years of passionate commitment to the legal profession as an attorney, mediator and administrative law judge which I believe will make me an effective, fair and dedicated Judge.

Thomas Quinones

Party: Dem, Con

Mark T. Starkman

Party: Rep

Westchester County Executive

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$160,760

Duties: The County Executive is the chief executive. Duties include supervising the day to day administration; supervising the structure and organization of each department; reporting to the County Legislature; appointing, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature; serving as the chief budget officer; executing contracts and agreements for the County; exercising all executive and administrative powers in relation to any and all functions of County government.

Candidates (choose 1):

George S. Latimer

Party: Dem, WF

Christine Saulti



Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Harrison

Education: Fordham University B.S.

Prior Civic Service: Dedicated to community service, Christine has served on the Hudson River Valley Greenway Board, Harrison Board of Assessors, Rye City Rotary and the Mamaroneck Tree Committee. Currently, she is Vice-Chair of the St. Pio Foundation and a parishioner at Church of the Resurrection in Rye.

Campaign Web Site: <http://ChristineForCountyExecutive.com>

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Campaign Phone: (914) 265-1355

Facebook: <http://www.Facebook.com/ChristineSaulti2021>

Instagram: <http://www.Instagram.com/ChristineSaulti2021>

Q: Budget: What would be your approach for balancing the County's budget? What would you do to restore funding for capital improvements?

A: Thanks to the Latimer combined property & sales tax increases of \$160 million, an increase in spending of a quarter-of-a-billion dollars & record federal aid, Westchester ended 2020 with a \$220.5 million surplus* (*2020 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report). This surplus is more than twice the amount rating agencies look for on a two-billion-dollar budget. Therefore, it should be a priority to return more than half of this record surplus to the already burdened taxpayers who paid it. Mr. Latimer's 2022 Budget should cut taxes at least one-hundred times his token 2021 one-million-dollar tax cut to accomplish this. Absent that, taxpayers will rightfully question if his government is being run more like a private sector for-profit business. Westchester's capital investments are for the maintenance & preservation of the county's physical infrastructure. I would prioritize initiatives that improve quality of life by further investing in our park system, open space & workforce housing.

Q: Housing: How do you think the County should move forward to develop more fair and affordable housing in the County?

A: The current tax-and-spend policies have unfortunately increased the tax burden on Westchester homeowners, making it unaffordable for many middle-class families. This becomes a quality-of-life issue when families are separated for economic reasons by making the difficult choice to move to a more tax-friendly state. I will always help our local municipalities further fair and affordable housing, as they know best how to meet the housing needs of their residents and workforce. The county will support these vital projects by providing technical expertise and the necessary financial commitment to ensure that infrastructure, such as roads, sewers, water and open space, can be built in order that these important projects remain viable and come to fruition.

Q: How should the County respond to the Governor's announced plan to close the Indian Point nuclear facility?

A: Former Governor Cuomo's decision to close Indian Point without following the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) was irresponsible since it prevented mitigation planning which directly relates to replacing the lost low-cost energy production. As a result higher energy costs have hit our seniors, families and businesses who can least afford it. As an economic development professional, I can tell you that if you are to retain, expand and attract business you must have access to low-cost energy, as well as, skilled labor. New York State must increase access to clean, cheap energy for Westchester from upstate New York, and even Quebec, to make up the low-cost energy deficit caused by this ill-planned and poorly executed closure. The state must also agree to hold harmless the affected town, village, and school districts for their property tax revenue loss.

Westchester County Clerk

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$195,000

Duties: Maintain and preserve the official documents and records of the county.

Candidates (choose 1):

Timothy C. Idoni

Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: City of New Rochelle, New York

Education: Bachelor of Arts, Double Major in American Studies and English, Iona College Master's in Public Administration, Specialization in Public Management, New York University

Prior Civic Service: Westchester County Clerk 2006-Present Mayor, City of New Rochelle, 1992-2005 Exec. Vice President- New Rochelle Neighborhood Revitalization Corp. 1990-91 Village Manager, Ardsley, N.Y. 1985-1990 Deputy City Manager, New Rochelle, NY 1983-1985 Director of Emergency Services New Rochelle NY 1981-1982 Assistant to Village Administrator, Bronxville, New York 1980-1981

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Campaign Phone: (914) 500-9760

Facebook: <http://TimIdoniforWestchesterCountyClerk>

Twitter: twitter.com/timidoni4clerk

Instagram: <http://timidoniforwestchester>

Q: What do you see as priorities facing this office? What changes, if any, do you think appropriate to make in the responsibilities of this office?

A: The priorities have been and remain running the County Clerk's office in a professional and progressive manner, reducing bureaucracy and driving proficiency using 21st century methodology and competency. The office, once a bastion for overstaffing, now have 60 staff members down from 110, runs using professional management techniques and technological improvements that have been followed by virtually every County Clerk's office across the State of New York. We will continue to add electronic filing applications in our County and Supreme Court functions, while educating the public and the few land title companies lagging in electronic recording to move along with us. The office has gone from a paper-laden, antiquated system to over 90 percent automated, saving \$37 million to date and burdens to the environment. We will continue to expand our highly success county-wide mobile office functions, currently handling passports, and such new services - veterans filings and business licensing.

Scooter Scott



Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tuckahoe

Education: Rutgers University

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/Scooter4Clerk>

Twitter: twitter.com/Scooter4Clerk

Instagram: <http://scooter4Clerk>

Q: What do you see as priorities facing this office? What changes, if any, do you think appropriate to make in the responsibilities of this office?

A: Security: The first job of government is the protection of the citizenry. Home title theft and deed fraud are on the rise as well as other identity theft issues, and the current office has not responded to this trend. We can no longer afford to take a lax and laissez-fair approach to this type of crime. We need a proactive attitude from this office in the 21st century. Outreach: We have mobile services. Currently, they meander about the county with poorly defined missions or targets. The mobile facilities can be much more and better utilized to reach all of our residents. Vision: The County Clerk's office is an office of service first and foremost. Our residents are not served well by focusing on political agendas and narratives. The County Clerk's job is to protect the records of our county, while securely making them available to our residents. To be a comprehensive problem solver. To make the power of the office secure, accessible, and county-wide. Service, not politics.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$75,000 Base

Duties: Among the duties of each County Legislator is to enact laws dealing with the County and its residents; to adopt an annual budget and to levy taxes; to determine the structure of County Government and the number of County employees and their salaries; and to initiate new projects and programs as the need arises. There are 17 County Districts.

Westchester County Legislature District 1

Cortlandt, part of Peekskill, part of Yorktown.

Candidates (choose 1):

Colin D. Smith

Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Peekskill

Education: BA Philosophy from Cedarville Univ. (OH) Juris Doctor from Pace Law School (NY)

Prior Civic Service: Peekskill Board Education from 2012-2018

Campaign Web Site: <http://colin4westchester.com>

Campaign Email: colin4westchester@gmail.com

Campaign Phone: (914) 564-4369

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ColinSmithforCountyLegislature>

Twitter: twitter.com/Colin4WestCnty

Joe Torres

Party: Rep, Con

Westchester County Legislature District 2

Part of Somers, Bedford, Mt. Kisco, North Salem,
Lewisboro, Pound Ridge.

Candidates (choose 1):

Gina M. Arena



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Purdys/Somers

Education: graduated John Jay Senior High School attended Kathryn Gibbs

Prior Civic Service: -Girl Scout -A founder of Foundation for Educating Children with Autism and the Devereux Millwood Learning Center -Founded, Just Imagine Making Miracles Yours, Inc. to help children and their families with financial assistance -Creator and Organizer of yearly toy drive for the holidays at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital -Created and Organized several humanitarian aid collections for 9/11 and Hurricane Sandy

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Campaign Email: gina@ginaarena4westchester.com

Campaign Phone: (914) 534-1130

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/gina4wc/>

Twitter: twitter.com/ginaarenay

Instagram: <http://ginaarena4westchester>

Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: -Taxes are always an issue for Westchester. The increase of taxes and sales tax weigh heavily on the residents of the community and the ability for the elderly and our children to remain here is becoming an issue. -The most vulnerable, seniors, disabled, veterans, and addicted, need an easy path to services. -Our businesses need to rebuild after the pandemic.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: I would work to continue a program of sharing services and find ways, creatively, to isolate and remove government waste and maximize services for an efficient and cost-effective budget. I have been witness to how difficult it is to maneuver through the current system for services, whether it be for the seniors, the disabled, drug abuser or veterans. There has to be a easier system, which saves money. A deep look into the county's budget is a priority. Sharing services has and always be a way to keep costs down.

Erika Lang Pierce



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Katonah, NY

Education: BA, English, Barnard College MA, Education, Manhattanville College

Prior Civic Service: League of Women Voters Member and educational programs volunteer, Bedford 2020 Greenlight Program Mentor, Westchester Women's Agenda member, Community Center of Northern Westchester volunteer, Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry volunteer, Neighbors Link volunteer, Scholastic Art and Writing Awards Judge, Jacob Burns Film Center Educational Program teaching volunteer, Katonah Elementary School PTA, various volunteer positions, Katonah Village Library Fundraising Committee member, Katonah Live

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Campaign Phone: (914) 362-8678

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ElectErikaPierce>

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/electerikapierce/>

Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: 1) Pandemic recovery, both in terms of community health and the financial health of our small businesses, residents and Towns. 2) Environmental issues, including increasing our use of renewable energy and access to charging stations, clean water, especially for our lakefront communities, and improved infrastructure for those relying on well water and septic systems. 3) For the last two years, county taxes have been cut while investments in our Towns, parks and services have increased. We must continue to steward our taxes while maintaining critical services and our infrastructure. 4) Addressing our need for increased affordable housing stock including housing for our seniors and disabled residents.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: For the last few years, the county has been able to reduce taxes while also rebuilding its rainy day fund and investing hundreds of million of dollars in our parks, public buildings and sewer systems. These investments are cost-effective over the long haul and additionally have lead to improvements in our bond rating and outlook. We have also re-activated the county's planning department and completed our housing study, creating opportunities that allow for the county and our towns to access more grant funding. As a former financial manager and grant writer, I will continue to use careful budgeting and financial management of our infrastructure so as to avoid unnecessary expenses, and make proper use of American Rescue Plan Act and other outside funding sources. I will continue to identify opportunities for shared services, properly manage our infrastructure and identify and cut waste.

Westchester County Legislature District 3

Mt. Pleasant, Pleasantville and North Castle.

Candidates (choose 1):

Margaret A. Cunzio



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mt. Pleasant

Education: Iona College, BA Fordham University, MSED Mercy College, PD

Prior Civic Service: N/A

Campaign Web Site: <http://N/A>

Facebook: <http://LegislatorMargaretA.Cunzio>

Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: 1. Capital Projects/Infrastructure- making sure that capital projects are started and completed-like Commerce St and Cranberry Lake Preserve- to ensure the need to update infrastructure is met, while contributing to the safety of the roads, parks and buildings. 2. Public Safety/Emergency Services- As a volunteer firefighter, I see first-hand what is involved to serve my community. I believe it is important to support our ambulance corps/EMS, fire departments, law enforcement, corrections, probation and the courts.. It is important that all these agencies have the means to continue to help protect and serve our communities. 3. Fiscally Responsible budget- I have worked hard in a non-partisan manner to help ensure that my district receives the services it needs- while being cognizant of the fiscal ramifications. The budget process needs to balance out the taxpayers with the needs of the community and the services that are provided to those who need it.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: As a county legislator for the past six years, I am proud to say that I have been able to vote for budgets that did not have an increase in the tax levy. Being fiscally responsible is important to me- as I review the budget and see where we can be more efficient with our services and try to streamline them. The idea of helping those who pay taxes- by keeping them from going up exponentially, while still being able to provide services to those who need them- is one that I work hard to try to achieve. It takes a lot of non-partisan communication and discussion and compromise to try to fulfill these ideals. I believe in working together to achieve a common goal and working together to represent the constituents of my district.

David W. Vinjamuri



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pleasantville, NY

Education: BA with High Honors, Swarthmore College M.A.L.D., Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, Tufts University

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: 1. Working families - adding affordable after-school and summer options plus safe and affordable daycare to help parents get back to work. 2. Small business - helping businesses adapt to the changes

of the pandemic 3. Jobs - training folks who have become unemployed for new and better paying jobs that already exist 4. Seniors - Ensuring affordable, appropriate and nutritious meals are available daily to all of Westchester's seniors as well as local community connections and support. 5. Environment - preserving Pocantico Lake as a pristine watershed and controlling pollution at Westchester County Airport's storm drains

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: I will continue the outstanding work that George Latimer has done to reduce the County property tax levy while maintaining and improving services to Westchester residents. The most important step in the next two years is to invest federal funds from historic bipartisan bills in infrastructure that will allow the county to grow and workers, families and seniors to succeed.

Westchester County Legislature District 4

New Castle, Somers, Yorktown

Candidates (choose 1):

Robert S. Brower Jr.



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Somers

Education: Bachelor of Applied Science in Viticulture and Enology with a minor in Entrepreneurship from California State University at Fresno.

Prior Civic Service: Affordable Housing Board Member, Town of Somers

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: This November we have a chance to restore common-sense policies that support taxpayers and small businesses on the county level. Currently, the Westchester County Legislature is controlled, 16 to 1, by the same party. Important decisions that affect our communities – not to mention our wallets – are rarely debated. As a resident, small business owner and volunteer member of a Somers board, I face the same challenges as my hard-working neighbors, customers, and fellow citizens. Despite the difficult times, we must nonetheless make ends meet while preserving our special sense of community here in northern Westchester. It is time to stand up for hard-working taxpayers and restore balance to county government.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: My platform is simply this: "Prosperity Over Politics." Programs run with public funds should be examined and justified each year – and not automatically renewed and expanded. Unsuccessful programs should be scrapped. Economic development effort must focus on our downtowns and the

small businesses within them – not just big box stores. Increases in revenue should be invested in enhanced community services and needed infrastructure improvements – not squandered on more spending for the same level of services. And while we build and plan for the future, we must preserve our historical past and natural environment. After all, the beauty of northern Westchester is one of the main reasons we all call it home.

Vedat Gashi



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Yorktown

Education: B.A. from Connecticut College and a J.D. from Seton Hall University

Prior Civic Service: Democratic Council of Albanian Americans (DCAA) founding board member Northern Westchester Hospital Presidents Counsel Teach for Kosova founding board member Rotary club of Yorktown Intern with Judge Sonia Sotomayor at the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: - Restored fiscal responsibility, and worked to eliminate waste and abuse in our county government. - Safeguarded our community against the COVID-19 pandemic by advocating for pop up testing and vaccination sites. - Fought for much needed environmental protections to better the quality of life in our communities. - Ensure that Northern Westchester communities receive the resources they deserve by securing necessary investments to our infrastructure. - Expand economic opportunity by passing legislation to support small businesses and working families.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: I believe sound financial management leads to a balanced budget - this comes from eliminating waste, taking advantage of shared services where we can and increasing our "rainy day fund" - because it makes financial sense, but also because it impacts our credit rating, which in turn would impact the interested rates we pay for the bonds we pass. I think we have to invest in our aging and deteriorating infrastructure. If we are proactive and plan effectively today, we forestall a much more expensive and dangerous situation tomorrow. I also think that the mark of a great society is how it treats its most vulnerable - and to address specific concerns of many struggling families during the pandemic, I was proud to support increasing the funding for child care for Westchester families.

Westchester County Legislature District 5

White Plains, Scarsdale, part of Harrison.

Candidates (choose 1):

Benjamin Boykin II



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: White Plains

Education: BS in Accounting, University of North Carolina, 1972, Phi Beta Kappa graduate, CPA, 1974; MBA with Honors, Kellogg Business School, 1981

Prior Civic Service: White Plains Common Council member (2000-2013), Common Council President for three terms; Former Chairman, White Plains Shared Services Committee; Former Chairman, White Plains Youth Board; Former Chairman and Member, White Plains Budget & Management Advisory Committee; Member White Plains School Board (1992-1999); Member, White Plains Outdoors Arts Festival; Board of Directors, Meals-Wheels of White Plains; Past Treasurer, Lois Bronz Children's Center

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: Priorities: Providing resources to assist residents and organizations when government matters the most; Providing resources for the safety, security, and health of Westchester residents; Creating new jobs; Protecting our taxpayers; Protecting a woman's right to reproductive health care; Investing in our infrastructure including technological advances; Improving our environment through sustainable initiatives.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: Under my leadership, the Board of Legislators has worked collaboratively with the Latimer Administration to stabilize the County's finances. We approved a one percent increase in the County's sales tax rate. With the pandemic, the County's finances were adversely affected and the County, all municipalities and school districts, received Federal and State assistance to assist with expenses. The County's tax levy has been reduced by \$1.0 million each of the last two years, expenses in the 2021 budget were reduced by \$15.7 million while essential services continue to be provided to residents and organizations. Monies have been added to the County's fund balance. Working with my Board colleagues, we have passed more progressive legislation than at any time in Board history. I will continue to address human needs including economic issues, housing, transportation, food insecurity and health issues.

Westchester County Legislature District 6

Part of Harrison, Rye Brook, Port Chester.

Candidates (choose 1):

Nancy E. Barr



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye Brook

Education: JD, Yale Law School BA, English, Colgate University

Prior Civic Service: President, Vice President and Board Member, Blind Brook Schools Board of Education Vice President and Board Member, Council of Community Services Co-Founder and Leadership Board Member, WE PERSIST Soup Kitchen Coordinator, St. Peter's Kitchen Facilities Committee Member, Blind Brook Schools Rye Brook Airport Advisory Board Film Instructor, Minds in Motion, Jacob Burns Film Center Girl Scout Leader, Port Chester-Rye Brook Girl Scouts

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Westchester County Legislature District 7

Part of Harrison, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, part of New Rochelle, Rye.

Candidates (choose 1):

Catherine F. Parker



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye

Education: B.A. Providence College 2020- Pace Law School, Certificate Program, Land Use Leadership Alliance 2021 - Gabelli School, Fordham University, Certificate in Designing Sustainable Business Strategies

Prior Civic Service: Rye City Council (2008-2013)

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Q: Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.

A: While I have other priorities, I want to focus on the top two: Climate change is a threat to residents

of Westchester, and certainly my 7th district has experienced extreme weather events due to climate change, most recently with flooding from the remnants of Ida. I have approved flood mitigation projects throughout Westchester, and with the support of County Executive Latimer, we will partner with Mamaroneck to help fund the Army Corps of Engineers project, as well as projects identified by Harrison, Larchmont, New Rochelle, and Rye officials. I have done more than just help mitigate flooding. As lead sponsor, I passed legislation to create the position of Energy Director and Office of Sustainability to transition away from fossil fuels which is a cause of climate change. We are fortunate that Westchester is an excellent example of good local government. In my eight years as Legislator I have prioritized a full complement of services with a watchful eye on taxes. See below for more

Q: What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?

A: My approach throughout my 14 years as an elected official has been focused on ensuring needed services with sensible budgets. Some of my priorities were to provide a strong social safety net, not borrow for operational costs, not participate in the NYS pension smoothing (borrowing) plan, and to set aside adequate money for our reserve or "rainy day" fund. In my first 3 years as a legislator under different leadership, I watched in horror as Westchester walked off the proverbial cliff in a self-imposed financial crisis, and so I was left with no choice, but to vote against those budgets. Since 2018, with the cooperation of my new, progressive colleagues in county government, our "Titanic" finances have turned away from the iceberg of mounting debt. I was also able to be instrumental in adding significant dollars to our nonprofit social service partners to strengthen the safety net. We accomplished all this while still cutting taxes by a million dollars for both the 2020 and 2021 budgets

Westchester County Legislature District 8

Elmsford, Greenburgh, Sleepy Hollow, Tarrytown.

Candidates (choose 1):

Jewel Johnson



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Greenburgh, NY

Education: Undergrad at SUNY-College at Buffalo + Masters in Public Policy expected in 2022

Prior Civic Service: n/a

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Q: Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.

A: All equally important... - Economic equity - Pandemic recovery - Protect taxpayers - Uplift

community values - Promote diversity - Policies to reduce risk and better adapt to our changing environment (climate change) - Confident & dependable leadership - Child care - Women's rights - Safeguarding Westchester's vital services

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: With the evaluation of larger community goals always in mind... 1. Advocate for Congress to pass infrastructure bills. 2. Source all avenues of revenue and exhaust every grant/funding opportunity, including federal and state aid. 3. Review the levels of impact of COVID-19 across the county and seek out different budget treatment options. 4. Review and propose to renegotiate/rebid contracts, audit routine purchases, possibly eliminate non-essential contracts. 5. Increase cost sharing opportunities. 6. In-depth consideration of both the short-term implications and the long-term financial stability of the County's budget reduction strategies.

Westchester County Legislature District 9

Briarcliff Manor, part of Cortlandt, Croton-on-Hudson, Ossining, part of Peekskill.

Candidates (choose 1):

Catherine A. Borgia



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Croton, NY

Education: BA, Binghamton University (SUNY) MBA, NYU Stern School of Business

Prior Civic Service: Town Supervisor, Town of Ossining Village Trustee, Village of Ossining Chief of Staff, Assemblywoman Sandy Galef President, Junior League of Northern Westchester PTA President

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Charles E. Braue



Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Croton on Hudson NY

Education: B.S Fordham University MBA Fordham University Graduate School

Prior Civic Service: US Army

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: 1. Improve Election Security. 2. Support

School Choice. 3. Support legislation to ensure seniors can stay in their homes. 4. As a veteran I want to assist veterans and make sure they receive benefits they deserve for protecting our country. 5. Make sure New York State fulfills it's promises concerning the decommissioning of Indian Point Power Plant.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: 1. Do not try to balance the budget by raising taxes. 2. Use common sense and not political gain when balancing spending between essential and nonessential services. 3. Bring more corporations to Westchester County by soliciting firms, especially from NYC.

Westchester County Legislature District 10

Eastchester, part of New Rochelle, Tuckahoe.

Candidates (choose 1):

Anthony S. Giacobbe



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Eastchester

Current Political Office: NA

Education: Iona College BA

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: Residents are very concerned about the cost of living in Westchester. This is affecting our seniors and the younger age groups trying to purchase their first homes the most. Our seniors are being taxed out of their homes and our youth are being forced to move away to more affordable areas outside of Westchester, the county they were raised in. Westchester was built around NYC. Residents for generations were able to secure high paying jobs in NYC to afford to live here. As corporations leave NYC to more business friendly states affordability will continue to be a problem. Its not hard to put our county budget in a graph and see that the current rate of spending is not sustainable for future generations. In many areas of my district the increase in crime is a major concern. We have both violent crimes and petty theft happening all over. When there is no more accountability for committing a crime this is what happens. We must end this.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: I have worked for large corporations for almost 15 years managing hundreds of millions of dollars yearly. We need to first look at our expenses and see where we can save money for the tax payers. There is always room for savings in a budget and I am looking forward to seeing where we can consolidate and negotiate more cost efficient contracts. With some work I hope to keep our level of

services where they are but save money doing it. In times like this when inflation is becoming an issue for taxpayers we must reevaluate our costs to see where we can save without affecting our quality of life here in the county. I think some fresh eyes with experience will help make this possible.

Damon R. Maher



Party: Dem, WF
Biographical Info:
City/Town of Residence: New Rochelle
Education: Archbishop Stepinac High School, Yale College, Fordham Univ. School of Law
Prior Civic Service: New Rochelle Public Library (Elected Trustee); New Rochelle Bar Assoc (Trustee); NewRoRunners (Vice Pres.); NewRo Against Racism (Founding member); Yale Alumni Fund (Board member); Westchester Adoptive & Foster Families (Board member); Adoptive Parents Committee (NYS legislative group); Youth Soccer of New Rochelle (Vice Pres. and coaching coordinator); Giving Circle of Lower Westchester (Grant committee); Coalition for Mutual Respect; NY Democratic Lawyers Council; New Rochelle Snow Angel.
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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*
A: Our top job now is to restore stability to the local economy and meet human needs as we enter the post-pandemic era. As Chair of the Labor & Housing Committee, I continue to push developers to create new housing at all levels of affordability to alleviate our housing crisis. An essential part of returning to normal community life is supporting local day care providers so that working families can earn the income they need and children will be better prepared for success in school and beyond. Having served on the mandated police reimaging Task Force, I look forward to implementation of my proposal to have special mental health response units handle a significant amount of emergency calls, freeing officers to do the jobs they were trained to do. I continue to support local measures to safeguard women’s fundamental rights to their own bodily integrity.
Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County’s budget?*
A: As an active and diligent member of the Budget & Appropriations Committee since 2018, I will continue to make sure that we invest the people’s money to bring savings over the long term by rebuilding neglected connector roads, parkways, bridges, wastewater treatment plants, pools and other recreation facilities sooner rather than later, so that we avoid more expensive emergency work in the future. I will resist returning to the old, Republican ways of phony balanced budgets based on one-off sales of valuable public resources merely to fill a gap in one year’s budget. I will continue to identify pockets of expensive over-staffing in various governmental departments. I pledge not to solicit campaign donations from public employee unions whose contracts we Legislators vote on.

**Westchester County
Legislature District 11**

Part of New Rochelle, Pelham, Pelham Manor.

**Candidates (choose 1):
Terry A. Clements**

Party: Dem, WF

**Westchester County
Legislature District 12**

Ardley, Dobbs Ferry, Edgemont, Hartsdale, Irvington, Hastings-on-Hudson.

**Candidates (choose 1):
MaryJane C. Shimsky**

Party: Dem, WF

**Westchester County
Legislature District 13**

Part of Mt. Vernon.

**Candidates (choose 1):
Tyrae K. Woodson-Samuels**
Party: Dem

**Westchester County
Legislature District 14**

Part of Mt. Vernon, part of Yonkers.

**Candidates (choose 1):
David J. Tubiolo**
Party: Dem, WF

**Westchester County
Legislature District 15**

Bronxville, part of Yonkers.

**Candidates (choose 1):
James M. Nolan**



Party: Rep, Con
Biographical Info:
City/Town of Residence: Yonkers
Education: Saunders Trade & Technical High School 2007, Western Oklahoma State College Associates in Criminal Justice 2017
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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: Crime, taxes (property and sales), affordability, and infrastructure

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: To look into the budget that we currently have for misspending and I also want to create an inspector general's position to look into financial transactions on the county level and also on the local level.

Ruth Walter



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Bronxville, NY

Education: A.B. Princeton University 1988, Hackley School, 1984

Prior Civic Service: Former Library Board President, Court Clerk, Bronxville Justice Court, PTA event organizer, League of Women Voters River-towns Member, Westchester Women's Agenda Member, Bronxville Rotary Member, Former Treasurer, Aquahung Women's Democratic Club of Yonkers, Girl Scout Troop 2435 Leader

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: Number one effort of the past year has been COVID-19 response. Disseminating fact-based, scientific information regarding prevention of the spread of COVID has helped reduce the incredible burden on our first responders, including doctors, nurses and hospital workers, as well as helping us reopen safely this past summer 2021. I am proud of the combined effort we made to distribute tens of thousands of free PPE to businesses, libraries and churches, day cares and senior centers to avoid more illness. Number two effort has been to help small businesses survive the extreme downturn in their livelihoods, including helping them apply for and win over \$750,000 in direct grants from the County's CARES Act funds. As Environment & Health Chair, I have prioritized environmental issues such as noise pollution, single-use plastic, lead in drinking water and Black maternal health. Working with my colleagues to make Westchester healthier and more prosperous is essential.

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: Taking advantage of historically low interest rates, we have invested hundreds of millions of dollars in parks, public buildings and sewer systems. These investments are cost-effective over the long term and will continue to make Westchester an attractive place to do business. We voted on a 2021 budget that reduced the property tax levy and reduced the operating budget by \$15 million without cutting services, due to voluntary retirement and other cost savings. Westchester residents

expect excellent services, including award-winning parks, an excellent sewer system, a vibrant Community College and more. These budget items support our economy and continue to make Westchester a relocation destination for families across the tri-state area. With one-time budget inflows from the federal government relating to COVID, we have been able to support small businesses, keep our County workforce safe and reinvigorate the County partnerships with local municipalities. Leadership in action!

Westchester County Legislature District 16

Part of Yonkers.

Candidates (choose 1):

Christopher A. Johnson



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Yonkers

Education: B.S. Political Science - Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus MsEd. School Counseling - Fordham University

Prior Civic Service: Yonkers City Council, District 1 2012-2017

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Q: *Identify and prioritize the most important issues facing your District and the County, as a whole.*

A: 1. Access to quality, affordable housing, with accessibility to today's necessities. i.e., internet access 2. Stemming the tide of homelessness 3. Racial Justice; including increased diversity in government staffing, including but not limited to the public safety departments

Q: *What would be your approach for the priorities in balancing the County's budget?*

A: In every budget my priority is to make sure we are providing the services to those most in need. Making sure the Department of Social services can take care of the homeless, children in danger, foster services and more. Ensuring the Department of Planning is equipped to provide planning advice to local communities and financial assistance to responsible developers (affordable housing).

Westchester County Legislature District 17

Part of Yonkers.

Candidates (choose 1):

Jose Alvarado

Party: Dem, WF

Village of Ardsley

Ardsley Mayor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$4,800

Candidates (choose 1):

Nancy Kaboolian



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Village of Ardsley

Education: SUNY Fredonia BA 1979 New York Law School JD 1989

Prior Civic Service: • Mayor of Ardsley 2017 to Present Deputy Mayor of Ardsley 2014 to 2017 • Ardsley Trustee 2012 to Present • President Westchester Municipal Officials Association • Ardsley Zoning Board Of Appeals 2006 to 2012 • Ardsley Board of Architectural Review 2002 to 2006

Ardsley Village Trustee

Term: 2 years Salary: \$2,400

Candidates (choose 1):

Asha Bencosme

Party: Dem

Andy DiJusto



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Ardsley

Prior Civic Service: President Ashford Court Board of Managers, Director Ardsley Historical Society, Recording Secretary Ardsley Chamber of Commerce, Recording Secretary Ardsley Traffic Committee Village Liaison to the Ardsley Traffic Committee, Village Trustee Village of Ardsley, Deputy Mayor Village of Ardsley.

Town of Bedford

Bedford Supervisor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$155,916

Candidates (choose 1):

Ellen Z.Calves



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Bedford

Education: Emory Law School, JD with high honors University of Notre Dame, BA, magna cum laude

Prior Civic Service: Bedford Town Board 2020-present; Climate Smart Communities Task Force Leader; Katonah Village Improvement Society Board; KLSD Arts Alive Board; Bedford 2030 Greenlight Award Steering Committee, Energy Team, Waste Reduction Partner; UUFNW Energy Justice Team

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: As Town Supervisor, my approach to the challenges of inequity and climate change will be collaborative and deliberate since these two issues will touch upon nearly every planning, programming, safety, and infrastructure challenge we face. I will seek input from stakeholders and experts to develop a multi-pronged approach to serve all residents and ensure our decisions result in a safe, vibrant, inclusive, sustainable, and resilient town for families and individuals to thrive.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: In all stages and ages of life, we need the comfort and shelter of a place to call home. But many people in the County are spending more than 50% of their income to pay rent and utilities which sets them back when it comes to other needs and opportunities to succeed. As Town Supervisor, I will support zoning, infrastructure, and an adaptive reuse incentive to support development of fair and affordable housing and to help working families, retiring seniors, and others to live here and thrive.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Climate change is bringing extreme weather and we need to both reduce pollution and prepare to be more resilient. Our Comprehensive Plan will recommend infrastructure to be more prepared for floods and storms, increase wastewater treatment solutions in all three hamlets to protect watersheds, and demand energy reliability when the grid is down. We need to make sure these measures are done to protect everyone - with special attention to those most vulnerable. We recently formed an Emergency Management and Preparedness Task Force that is working on a plan of action for preparedness for and response to extreme weather. I will continue to work to implement measures recommended by the NYDEC Climate Smart Communities program to make Bedford more climate resilient as we continue to take measures to reduce our impact on pollution and climate change. I will also ensure our town's commitment and action in the 2030 Climate Action plan to reduce emissions and protect land and natural resources

Donald Scott



Party: Rep, BU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Katonah (Town of Bedford)

Education: BA Economics and Business Administration, Vanderbilt University. Nashville, TN

Prior Civic Service: Bedford Town Board; President, Katonah Lewisboro Board of Education; Commissioner, Katonah FD; Bedford Wetlands Commission; Executive Board, KVIS; Vice-chair, Bedford Communications; Executive Board, West Chester League of Conservation Voters; Chair, Katonah Elementary School Compact Team, President Cherry Ridge Lake Association; Bedford Hills Baseball travel team coach. Board, Allied Community Services (affordable housing advocacy)

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The biggest challenge Our town board faces is a lack of experience. It is imperative that short-range planning be dramatically improved. A high-functioning board should be ahead of issues not chasing them. Communications must be revamped so that community members feel as though they are in the loop. Our town board needs to pay attention to taxes. They can't continue to give us sky-high increases compared to the communities around us. I will bring experience, stability, and balance to our board.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: We must work to develop more units. I am proud of my record supporting affordable housing. As a five-year Bedford Town Board member, we developed multiple units of affordable housing working with our award-winning Blue Mountain Housing corporation. As Supervisor, I will work to keep moving to develop more units. My experience as a Board Member for Allied Community Services, an affordable housing advocacy group, will prove helpful as we continue to expand housing opportunities.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Yes. Many. Bedford has led the region in promoting programs to address the environment as well as climate change. My voting record is 100% on climate change and the environment. I will continue to support local action to fight climate change and protect the environment. Our Board purchased the Buxton Gorge from our open space fund. I will support developing hiking trails and passive uses of this wonderful open space and look for opportunities to make additional purchases. I supported improvements to our building code to promote green buildings. Working with our Conservation Board our Town Board identified and supported a regional biotic corridor. Leveraging grants, we have made great strides in making our community more walkable. I voted for a study of improving the protection of our hamlets from the impacts of storms in response to more frequent and stronger storms. I will continue the legacy of my Friend and mentor Lee Roberts on keeping Bedford at the forefront on the environment

Bedford Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$118,266

Candidates (choose 2):

Andres Castillo-Quintana



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Bedford

Education: Princeton University - B.A., Psychology, Global Health & Health Policy; Fox Lane High School Graduate

Prior Civic Service: - Founding Member of Emerging Leaders Board for Latino U College Access (aiming to empower first-generation Latino youth to enroll and succeed in college) - Founding Board Member of Fox Lane High School Alumni Association (aiming to provide alumni with opportunities to network and provide mentorship for younger students) - Board Member for Westchester Youth Alliance (aiming to empower youth by building bridges across diverse communities and creating opportunities for civic engagement)

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: If elected, I will work to upgrade our town government's communication channels to improve transparency and allow all members of our community to obtain information and provide feedback in a timely manner. I would also provide our municipal boards, commissions and committees with the funds, advocacy and public support to expand affordable housing, improve our infrastructure, protect our environment, revitalize our local businesses and advance equity for all residents.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Coming from a working class family and hearing the stories of residents who have struggled to afford the cost of living in Westchester County, I fully support increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in the Town of Bedford. I'm specifically in favor strengthening protections for tenants, working closely with a variety of community partners to explore affordable housing projects, and requiring that 20% of new developments are designated as affordable for the middle and working class.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Climate change is a threat not only to our town's natural resources but also to public health. To ensure a green and sustainable future for Bedford, I will advocate for the following: 1. Protecting and expanding green spaces by enforcing our current Tree Preservation Ordinance and restoring trees where they are lacking in each of our hamlets 2. Reducing emissions from motor vehicles by improving pedestrian accessibility, seeking grants for sidewalk repairs and developing additional bike lanes and bike parking 3. Implementing the recommendations of the Climate Resiliency Subcommittee of the Bedford Master Plan Committee, which includes investments in infrastructure

to improve preparedness and response capacity for extreme weather events, especially for our most vulnerable communities 4. Advancing the town's Sewer Project to eliminate septic system failures in our hamlets, reduce the risk of contaminating our waters supplies and promote economic growth.

Alli Choi



Party: BU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Bedford, NY

Education: Harvard, Economics B.A.

Prior Civic Service: Alli has been actively involved in bipartisan initiatives to break down political polarization, including Experiment In Dialogue, Renew Democracy Initiative, and The Flip Side, where she is a founding board advisor.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The most important issues we face require improvements in planning, communicating and budgeting. The Town Board needs to do a better job planning for the short, medium and long term. For example, planning for cell service coverage and filling department and committee vacancies in a timely and responsible manner. The Town Board must also improve in openly and transparently communicating with constituents. We must also see responsible budgeting to control excessively high taxes and rate increases.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: The lack of affordable housing is a significant problem throughout the United States. Here in Bedford, I advocate for several ideas such as reviewing zoning codes to allow for more housing at transit stations and commercial hubs, easing codes for accessory dwelling units and identifying opportunities to apply public subsidies and incentives. Our town's affordable housing consultant, Blue Mountain, has worked well in Bedford. I would like to see them continue to be a partner in this initiative.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Environmental stewardship has been a hallmark in Bedford for generations. I will continue that legacy, both by long-term planning and proactively addressing foreseeable issues. I support efforts to transition as many homes as possible from septic to the Town's sewer system. I would help identify ways to expand connections to our network of sewage systems. I oppose excessive commercialization of our public parks and residential areas. Bedford's open spaces are a unique part of our town's character. I applaud the work of our public services and local independent nonprofits that maintain our trails, wetlands and natural environments. I will work to preserve this for current and future generations. I support revitalizing housing near public transportation hubs which will help decrease reliance on vehicles, ease traffic congestion and reduce carbon emissions and con-

sumption of fossil fuels. In addition, I support expanding sidewalks routes to make the town more accessible to pedestrians.

Stephanie McCaine



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Katonah, NY

Education: BA Skidmore College

Prior Civic Service: Girl Scouts Troop Leader
Founding Board Chair of Amani Public Charter School Westmoreland Sanctuary Advisory Board
Westchester Guidance Center Advisory Board
Westchester Youth Alliance Board Bedford Community Theatre Board

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I strive to foster community engagement, honest and courageous dialogue, and consensus-building. I seek to understand the issue(s), get input from experts, and engage stakeholders. I want to ensure that whatever is at stake or under consideration is examined from multiple perspectives and that both the strengths and weaknesses of alternative approaches are analyzed before making a decision.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: The Town of Bedford should take a proactive rather than reactive approach to diversifying housing options and work to protect current property owners and preserve neighborhood character. We need to ensure that we are meeting the housing needs of all of our current and future residents who include young families, single parents, widowers, recent college graduates, retirees, and individuals from various socioeconomic groups.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Town of Bedford has an assertive Climate Action Plan that seeks 80% greenhouse gas emission reductions by 2030; and Zero emissions by 2040. The plan addresses clean energy supply, high performance buildings, waste and recycling, transportation, environmental justice, and wetlands and open space conservation/preservation initiatives.

Peter Michaelis



Party: Rep, BU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Bedford, New York

Education: Brown University, AB with Honors
Political Science

Prior Civic Service: Bedford Historical Society, Chairman, President, Trustee Friends of John Jay Homestead, VP, Trustee Bedford Coalition Executive Committee Coach, Bedford/Pound Ridge Little League Bedford Conservation Board Bedford Masterplan Participant Bedford Tree Advisory Board, Chair & Member Bedford Emergency Planning Comm. CERT member (Community Emergency Response Team) NYS Senate Photographer: Sen. Terrence Murphy's office

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Our Town is in crisis. Building permits are taking 6 months to be issued. Frustration abounds. This is not the fault of the Building department (which is working in overdrive) but of our current Town Board who have known for more than a year that significant retirements would occur and did nothing to replace them. I will build on my 29 years of town board experience to work proactively to make Town Government work more effectively: lower taxes, Zoning Changes, transparency, hamlet Vitality.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: As Chairman of the Bedford Zoning Board I recognize that some of our Zoning Codes have become outdated and now stand as an impediment to increasing our affordable housing stock. I want to change the codes relating to accessory cottages and permit the use of bathrooms and kitchens in out buildings that might allow for rental units. The fear that we will be inundated by "outsiders" which led to those laws has not come to pass and I believe a change in the code will have a positive effect.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I was an original member of Bedford's Open Space Committee. I have been a huge supporter of any and all measures that keep Bedford on course to be a leader in efforts to reduce our carbon emissions both as a Town and as individuals. Creating Bike paths so that people will be able to bike safely and not need to use a car to get between hamlets would be an item I would push hard to try and realize. Placing affordable housing units near train stations and supermarkets so people can walk rather than need to drive is another item we need to look at as a Town. I support people's desire to use electric vehicles and to that end will see that more charging stations are strategically located throughout town to encourage people to move towards that type of transportation.

Bedford Town Clerk

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$100,531

Candidates (choose 1):

Boo Fumagalli



Party: Dem, Rep, Con, BU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Bedford Hills

Education: Marymount College - AA, Cornell University - CMC, Certified Municipal Clerk, RMC, Registered Municipal Clerk.

Prior Civic Service: 2nd VP, New York State Town Clerk Association, NYS District Clerk of Year, Westchester County Town Clerk Association, member & past President, BH Lions Club, BH Neighborhood Assoc., Bedford Hills & Katonah Women's Clubs, Former President & member Katonah-Lewisboro Board of Education, Community Center of Northern Westchester - Community Relations committee and volunteer, Meals on Wheels volunteer.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The Town Clerk's office is a welcoming helpful resource for all residents of Bedford. We work hard to improve our services by taking credit cars, selling ez passes and offering evening and weekend hours as requested. I have brought new software into our office enabling us to scan documents, eliminating paper and preserving the records. We offer resources for new residents and information on who or where to go to get things done. I pledge to continue to work hard to serve Bedford.

Bedford Town Justice

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$48,634

Candidates (choose 1):

Jodi J. Kimmel



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Bedford Hills

Education: Hon. B.A. McGill University J.D. Cardozo School of Law

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Instagram: <http://jodikimmelforjudge>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: Bedford is my home, and my goal is the fair and equal administration of justice in my community. As someone who has appeared before many judges in my almost two decades as a litigator – and as someone who serves my community – I know what qualities a Bedford Town Justice needs. Examples of community involvement: Meals on Wheels driver; Fox Lane Middle School PTO Co-President; Chair of Bedford's Complete Count Committee; volunteer with the NY State Bar Association's COVID-19 Pro Bono Network.

Clark Petschek



Party: Rep, BU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Bedford

Education: Harvard University (BA in Economics); Northeastern University School of Law (JD)

Prior Civic Service: New York State Hearing Officer (2018 – present); Bedford Zoning Board of Appeals (2009 – present); Bedford Veterans Committee (2016 – present); Captain, US Army Special Forces and Infantry (1992 – 2000)

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/clark4bedford>

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/clark4bedford/>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: I am running for Town Justice because of my deep commitment to Bedford, public service, and the law. Every person appearing before Bedford's Court deserves to have their case adjudicated fairly and impartially by a judge with experience, intellect, sound judgment, and compassion. I have those qualifications, and my 20-years of experience as a trial attorney and a Hearing Officer for NY State – coupled with my long-standing service to Bedford – have prepared me for the Town Justice position.

Town of Cortlandt

Cortlandt Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$179,528

Candidates (choose 1):

Laurie Abbate-Ryan



Party: Rep, Con, CU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Cortlandt

Education: I earned my Bachelor degree in Fine Arts from Pace University and Master degrees in Education and Mathematics from Manhattanville College.

Prior Civic Service: In June, 2021, I finished my 12 year tenure as a Vice President and a Trustee on the Hendrick Hudson Board of Education. I served on several committees including Finance, Policy, Facilities, Safety, Strategic Planning and Curriculum. We successfully negotiated 12 years of union and non-union contracts and passed several improvement bonds.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: In my profession, it has been my responsibility to organize, manage, lead and accomplish. As Supervisor I will face different levels of important issues including day-to-day management, short- and long-term planning and emergencies. My approach is simple: assess, bring the right folks together (thankfully we have experts who already work in our Town Departments), brainstorm, give them the tools necessary to be successful, set a timeline, facilitate, accomplish the goal, make sure it is

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: The Town of Cortlandt has exceeded its requirement regarding affordable housing. We have beautiful & well-maintained affordable homes for residents of all ages who need a bit of help as well as current projects before our planning and zoning boards. We have for-sale signs all over so I will focus on minimizing our taxes and other policies to keep our residents and businesses in Cortlandt. At this point I am not in favor of increasing Cortlandt's supply of designated affordable housing.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: It is my job to do all I can to keep Cortlandt environmentally safe. This will include maintaining proper air/soil/water testing especially at specific sites like the Ash Pit near Sprout Brook Park and the landfill In Croton; reviewing and remediating town owned properties regarding condition, toxicity, safety and use; water clean-up; and reviewing our recycling program. We will also diligently research appropriate alternative energy sources. I am very much in favor of wind powered or solar street lights. I believe our Town Board has been overly aggressive in supporting projects that are not really all that great for our environment in order to obtain state awards and recognition. There is no option for recycling wind mill blades or solar panels other than to dump them into a landfill. I do not consider that sustainable or environmentally healthy. Furthermore, I will not destroy forests and wildlife to install community solar farms.

Richard H. Becker



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Cortlandt

Education: Binghamton University, BA NY Medical College, MD

Prior Civic Service: -President, Homeowners Association -Zoning Board of Appeals -Councilman, Town of Cortlandt -Deputy Supervisor, Town of Cortlandt (2020, 2021)

Campaign Web Site: <http://CortlandtForward>

Campaign Phone: (924) 318-6201

Facebook: <http://Facebook.com/cortlandtforward>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: As a physician who has practiced and served as Chief of Staff at our hospital, who raised my children here, and who served on The Zoning Board, Town Board, and as Deputy Supervisor, I am well qualified to further lead our community. I successfully reach consensus, by bringing divergent points of view to a mutual understanding. I know when to push, when to compromise, and how to bring folks together. I am skilled at moving projects forward, at managing large institutions, and growing our Town.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: This is very important: The Town does insist on at least 10% of units being affordable. We have many individuals that are in difficult financial situations due to Covid, and we must provide adequate, safe, and affordable housing. We follow Westchester County's guidelines, and exceed these minimal standards. We encourage the design

of new areas with smart development with appropriate density and diversity with a mix of housing opportunities. We will demand developers provide affordable housing.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: As a local government that takes climate change and resiliency planning seriously, I and my colleagues in the Town of Cortlandt have worked hard to be a leader in sustainability and to continue expanding our work as certified Climate Smart Community and to continue working with NY-SERDA to continue moving our community forward as a certified Clean Energy Community. We have worked to encourage reductions in emissions and to support renewable energy by participating in several iterations of the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing programs to increase clean energy installation and use, we moved to adopt the New York State Stretch Energy Code (recently completed public hearings), adopted the NY-SERDA model solar laws, we have several community solar installations in the Town including the first in Westchester County. We have a community Green Team!

Cortlandt Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$23,570

Candidates (choose 2):

James Creighton



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Cortlandt Manor

Education: Juris Doctor degree (with honors) from Touro College Jacob Fuchsberg Law Center; B.A. degree (with honors) from State University of New York at Albany; NY and federal attorney continuing education; Notary Public; Member of Association of Towns (municipal courses toward Certified Town Official certificate); Westchester Municipal Planning Federation courses; NY State Federation of Lake Associations classes; Certified Foster Parent; Covid Contact Tracer Certificate (from Johns Hopkins University)

Prior Civic Service: Jim is a community leader and collaborative problem solver with a wide range of expertise in municipal, professional liability, sustainability and planning matters. He chairs the Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce's Government Action Committee, chaired Cortlandt's Police Task Force, chaired Cortlandt's Parks, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Board and served on the PRC for 15 years, was a member of the Planning Board as well as Cortlandt's last two Town-wide master plan committees.

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: As a collaborative problem solver with a wide range of expertise in municipal planning and sustainability, I continue to focus on low Town taxes

while mitigating the impact of loss of revenues from Indian Point's closure and keeping Cortlandt vibrant with jobs and revenues. As Town liaison to the HV Gateway Chamber of Commerce and chair of its Government Action Committee, I work to keep our businesses viable throughout Covid while seeking new economic development and protecting our neighborhoods

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Our community is blessed to be among the most affordable in our county. I am proud of our Envision Cortlandt master plan which encourages smart development with appropriate density and diversity of uses to bring jobs, revenue and a mix of housing types. I support our affordable code percentage policy and targeted mixed use projects with market and affordable rate rentals and housing for families and active seniors as well as for assisted living so our residents can age in place here in Cortlandt

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I have helped to make Cortlandt a leader in sustainability issues and improving our parks and open spaces (including accessible recreation, hiking and water access) for many years. As the Town Board liaison to sustainability issues, the Town has been at the forefront of environmental stewardship and resiliency as we implemented the recommendations in the award winning Envision Cortlandt sustainable master plan that I helped develop. We continue our focus on clean energy, adding EV charging stations, safe power grid resiliency with storage, environmental and open space protection and green technologies. I help lakes with water quality and invasive species issues, encouraged reductions in emissions and renewable energy with the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing programs, moved to adopt the New York State Stretch Energy Code, adopted the NY-SERDA model solar laws (now under further consideration to help mitigate and discourage siting in prime forested areas) and much more.

Cristin W. Jacoby



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Cortlandt, NY

Education: MPA (Master's of Public Administration with Public Finance concentration); BA in Political Science (International Relations)

Prior Civic Service: Big Brothers Big Sisters; Cortlandt Zoning Board of Appeals; Cortlandt Democratic Committee

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: The Town of Cortlandt is at an inflection point. With Indian Point closing, we are losing our largest employer and revenue source. My education and work experience in public finance will be an asset as the town grapples with how to fill this hole while maintaining its character. I have two ele-

mentary-aged children, and I vehemently believe the voice of young families deserves representation on the Town Board as we make decisions that will impact future generations.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: We should absolutely ensure that our town has fair and affordable housing. One of the hallmarks of Cortlandt has been its relative affordability in Westchester, but losing the Indian Point tax revenue could drive a lot of people - specifically those in the Hendrick Hudson School District, which my children attend - out of town if their taxes continue to climb. We need to attract new families while retaining those who have been here for generations, and housing needs to be affordable to do that.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I believe our most critical task is ensuring we give our children the best possible chance at a livable planet. The slate with which I am running has been steadfast in their pursuit of sustainable initiatives, resulting in Cortlandt being deemed a "Climate Smart Community" by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation in recent years. They have increased open space to over 3,000 acres and worked to reduce the carbon footprint of town operations. I look forward to working alongside them to add more green initiatives, for instance through pursuing solar and geothermal energy at Town Hall and finalizing implementation of the NYStretch Energy Code, which would increase energy efficiency in town offices. We owe it to our children and future generations to get this right.

Warren A Smith

Party: Rep, Con, CU

Thomas Walsh

Party: Rep, Con, CU

Cortlandt Town Clerk

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$101,097

Candidates (choose 1):

Kylie Fitzgerald-Bernard

Party: Rep, Con, CU

Laroue R Shatzkin



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Cortlandt

Education: Extensive training with NYSDOH, NYSDEC, NYS Archives, NYS Town Clerk's Association.

Prior Civic Service: Croton Housing Network

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My efforts to standardize and streamline resident experiences while still providing friendly,

personalized, in-person services have been very successful in the last few years. Making more data readily available and easily searchable on the Town Website is a high priority in my next term, and cross-departmental projects to make these technological improvements both internally, and accessible to the public are currently underway.

Cortlandt Town Justice

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$49,594

Candidates (choose 1):

Robert Chapnick



Party: Rep, Con, CU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Crompond, NY

Education: J.D. from Thomas Jefferson School of Law (2001) B.A. from University of Toronto (1998)

Prior Civic Service: Assistant District Attorney, Nassau County, NY

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/Chapnick-forJustice/>

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/chapnick-forjustice>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: Everyone, without exception, is entitled to due process and equal protection under the law. Some facts about me: Married for 7 years, father of 2 girls. I love dogs and support animal rescue. I am a lifelong student of the martial arts, and an avid climber, hiker, canoeist and outdoorsman. Professional: 20 years in the legal profession. Former ADA. 16 years as a criminal defense attorney. 12 years as a civil attorney. Successfully held NYS and NYC accountable in the trial and appellate courts.

Kimberly Ragazzo



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Cortlandt

Education: Emory University School of Law; JD, Order of Barristers. Brandeis University, BA in Politics and History, cum laude and with honors in Politics.

Prior Civic Service: Bronx County Assistant District Attorney; 10 years. Handled caseload of up to 150 misdemeanor cases my first year. Promoted to handling felony cases. Handled approximately 90 felony indictments simultaneously. Arraigned defendants on both misdemeanor and felony charges. Interviewed complainants, civilian witnesses, and members of law enforcement. Drafted criminal court complaints and felony indictments. Felony Homicide Duty. Specialized Training in Vehicular Crimes/ Collision Reconstruction.

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Twitter: twitter.com/judgeragazzo

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/judgekimberlyragazzo/>

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: First female Town Justice in Cortlandt. In addition to ruling fairly and impartially, I have successfully modernized the court to more efficiently serve the community. When I took office, there was no way to pay traffic tickets by phone or online and no interpreters available for defendants arraigned at night. I worked with different service providers so that traffic tickets could be paid by phone and online and to provide 24/7 telephonic interpreters. Married with 2 wonderful daughters.

Cortlandt Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$140,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Debra A Carter



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Cortlandt

Education: MA Business and Policy Studies BA Business, Management, Finance

Prior Civic Service: Town Councilwoman since 2013 Founder of the Hendrick Hudson Leos Club Member Hendrick Hudson Lions Club Volunteer Girls Softball Coach

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Facebook: <http://DebbieCarterForReceiverOfTaxes>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: With the current Receiver of Taxes retiring after 20 years, there will be a big loss of institutional knowledge. Since I've been the liaison to the Receiver of Taxes office for the past 8 years, I have a strong understanding of what needs to get done, I know her staff, and am ready to dive in! Ensuring that the bills go out timely, and payments are allocated correctly are critical. I want to ensure we have a smooth transition so the residents don't experience any issues or delays.

Peter D Marengo

Party: Rep, Con, CU



Village of Croton-on-Hudson

Croton-on-Hudson Mayor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$5,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Brian Pugh



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Village of Croton-on-Hudson

Education: History & Economics, Oberlin College, B.A. Fordham University School of Law, J.D.

Prior Civic Service: 2009-Present: Democratic District Leader 2011: Organized Prop. 1 Referendum Campaign to Move Village Elections to Nov 2011: Human Rights Campaign Volunteer 2011-13: Union Staff (HVALF) 2015: Chair of the Fordham Unemployment Action Center 2015-16: Executive Director of the Solar Education Research Group 2014-17: Trustee, Village of Croton

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Campaign Phone: (914) 374-3960

Facebook: <http://facebook.com/crotondems>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The Village of Croton-on-Hudson continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. The Croton-Harmon train station parking lot, a major source of revenue, remains substantially under capacity. We need to rebuild our fiscal strength to be prepared for future contingencies while staying within the property tax cap. To do so we must expand the tax base through smart growth guided by strategic rezoning while controlling spending.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: The County's 2019 Housing Needs Assessments shows that there are 200 households paying more than 50% of the income in rent in the Village. I support preserving existing affordable housing by expanding coverage under the Emergency Tenant Protection Act of 1974. We also need to stimulate investment in new affordable housing through strategic rezoning and by requiring affordable units in new housing developments, as envisioned by the county's model ordinance

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Village of Croton-on-Hudson is one of two villages in New York State to have received a silver designation as Climate Smart Community by the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation. The Croton community has heeded the call to think globally and act locally when it comes to climate change. With the help of the volunteers on the Sustainability Committee, the Village has taken 43 specific steps to reduce or mitigate climate change. This includes enrolling in Sustainable Westchester's Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program and creating a community solar array on the roof of our Department of Public Works. We continue to move forward on new initiatives to protect the environment. Earlier this year, we entered into

a contract with Sol Systems for the installation of a community solar array at the Croton-Harmon station. If completed, this project will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide the Village with needed revenue.

Croton-on-Hudson Village Trustee

Term: 2 years Salary: \$3,000

Candidates (choose 2): Sherry L. Horowitz



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Croton-on-Hudson

Education: Brooklyn College, BA Manhattanville, Masters in Teaching, MAT

Prior Civic Service: Volunteer, Great Hudson River Revival hosted by Clearwater, 1982-1987 Sang with the Clearwater Chorus, 1993-1998 Sponsored New York Cares Coat Drives, 2011-2019 Note-taker, Buddhist Global Relief, 2013-2017 Mentor Inmates, Buddhist studies 2012-2017 Croton Covid-19 Emergency Relief Fund Organizer 2020

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: As the Owner, Director and Teacher of a NYS licensed preschool for over 41 years, I embrace the collaborative model of problem solving and seeking satisfying solutions when approaching the issues facing the Village. I believe in keeping an open mind, in including, and listening to many voices, in seeking fresh perspectives, in gathering information and in team building. I support increased communication and transparency, and networking across municipal and local agencies for the common good.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I believe it is important for the health of our community to fully welcome people of all economic backgrounds. As Liaison to the Village's Croton Housing Task Force I have advocated for creating more accessory apartments, supporting a model ADU Ordinance, considering re-zoning the Upper Village to allow for more multi/family mixed use and adopting a target for affordable units for future years. The Village has recently approved a 33 unit housing complex with 29 affordable apartments.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Croton-on-Hudson has made enormous strides in the past several years to protect the environment and respond effectively to the Climate crisis. It joined Sustainable Westchester's Community Choice Aggregation program to reduce the municipality's reliance on fossil fuels; it hosted several Energize and Solarize Croton campaigns to en-

courage homeowners to explore more sustainable heating and cooling options. It installed LED lighting in the Municipal Building and Department of Public Works building, put up a community solar array on top of the DPW building, installed electric charging stations at the Municipal Building and the Metro-North parking lot, and purchased several electric vehicles for the municipal fleet. It is currently moving ahead with a project to install a community solar array at the train station. It has received a Silver Designation from the NYS DEC as a Climate Smart Community! And as such, it is eligible to receive even more funding for environmental initiatives!

Angel Alejandro Rosales



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Croton on Hudson

Education: A life-long student, Alejandro attended Los Angeles Pierce College before graduating from UCLA and Columbia. His areas of study comprised of inter-disciplinary studies including economic development and international affairs.

Prior Civic Service: Alejandro Rosales has 17 years' experience helping non-profits, governments and corporations drive growth and development in the US and Latin America. Long active in non-profit work, he currently serves as a volunteer and board member of the Croton-Cortlandt Food Pantry. In prior roles, Alejandro was a part of Oxfam's Hurricane Katrina response (2005) as well as its US and Latin America programs, respectively. He has interned with the City of New York's Department of Consumer Affairs and the UN.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My priority areas of focus, given my understanding of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson's needs are as follows: (a) Promoting prudent financial management, (b) supporting civic engagement and dialogue as well as (c) ensuring all communities are represented.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Given the County's rapidly appreciating housing prices, evidenced in the 2019 Housing Needs Assessment, I seek to attract thoughtful investment into my community, spurring affordable housing and business development. Affordable housing for me represents a cornerstone of what I consider to be the American Dream.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Our community is a leading "green" village with NYS' silver designation as a Climate Smart Community (according to Dept. of Environment Conservation), I seek to assist our community transition further into renewable energy sources.

Village of Dobbs Ferry

Dobbs Ferry Mayor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$4,800

Candidates (choose 1):

Vincent Rossillo

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Dobbs Ferry

Education: J.D. New York Law School, B.A. Fordham University

Prior Civic Service: Trustee Village of Dobbs Ferry, Soccer Coach AYSO

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I have been a Trustee since 2011. During that time, I have found that a collaborative approach works best. I believe that listening to all points of view, leads to a better result. I think the majority of people will be more comfortable with a decision, if the process is transparent and inclusive.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I believe in expanding affordable housing. We have recently amended our housing code which should increase the number of affordable housing units in Dobbs Ferry.

Dobbs Ferry Village Trustee

Term: 2 Years Salary: \$2,400

Candidates (choose 3):

Shari Rosen Ascher



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Dobbs Ferry

Education: BAs - Brandeis University English Literature and Sociology

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Twitter: twitter.com/sharidobbs

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/rosenascher/?hl=en>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Keeping our village vibrant and building community is my focus. The pandemic has had a devastating impact on small business. We need to rethink our responsibility as local government and find ways to help. Policies and protocols need to be reexamined and reimagined. We can be pro business and pro people at the same time, while maintaining the integrity and charm of our community. This requires the professional experience and skills that I possess alongside boundless energy and dedication.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I think this is essential if we want our village to remain a diverse and welcoming place to live and

work. We need to educate the public that affordable housing means helping our seniors to be able to stay; our kids to be able to come back; and our teachers and first responders to live in the communities in which they work. We all benefit from a diverse community and that diversity includes economic as well as demographic. There are innovative ways to approach this and we need to explore them.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I intend to work closely with the environmental groups in the village and in the county as well as elected officials. It is important to listen to the experts and have an open mind when it comes to policy and programs. From food scrap recycling to native gardens; from solar panels to clean energy; from nature trails to the riverfront; from making our village more pedestrian friendly to investing in electric vehicles and charging stations, there are many steps we can take in the village and as part of the larger community. All projects and decisions need to be viewed through a lens of sustainability and environmental impact. We no longer have the luxury of debating the issue, we need to address the current reality and plan for the future. We will need to reassess building codes, development, open space, parks, materials, equipment etc. We should also look into shared services with neighboring villages as a way to save energy, money and resources.

Michael K Patino

Party: Dem

Matthew J. Rosenberg



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Dobbs Ferry

Education: Dobbs Ferry High School '83 Wesleyan University '87

Prior Civic Service: Co-President of the PTSA 2010-2011, Social media Director PTSA 2011-2019, Friends of the DF Library Board 2008-2010, Village Nominating Committee, 2015-2017, PTSA Safe Routes Committee 2015-2019 (co-chair 2017-2019), DF Board of Education 2019-2020, Village Traffic Committee 2020-present, Founder and President Dobbs Ferry Taxpayers for Fair Cost Sharing 2020-present

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I have lived here since I was 4 years old, so bring a long local history. We have some old issues that have never been resolved — such as how we maintain our character while needing to modernize, how we sustain our own Village services and Schools independently without raising our already high taxes higher — as well as a host of more recent issues like diversity, high taxes, and the pandemic. I believe in transparency. No is likely to wonder what I think or find me unwilling to listen and adapt.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Affordable housing in a time of rising property values is critical. Dobbs Ferry has always been economically diverse, which is why we moved back. The pressure on the lower end and our kids to abandon ship is not only disgraceful, it will negatively impact Village life in areas like traffic and parking. Standing strong on affordable housing laws even in our relatively tiny and well developed footprint is key to a livable future.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: There is no more critical issue to our future on this planet. In my work on traffic and transportation issues, I have been a proponent of making our village more walkable and easier for non-car transport. I believe we must support the electrification of transportation, including enabling electric bicycle charging in shopping areas, parks, and the train station, to ease both congestion and pollution. I support adding solar and other green requirements to the building code where feasible. I support current efforts to facilitate more residential solar and will look for ways to add incentives and also to look at ways the Village can reduce fossil fuel use in our fleet. Washington may soon open up a spigot of grant money for pro-climate infrastructure and to the extent that we can take advantage of that, we should do so. We must continue to partner with state and local governments as well as organizations like Sustainable Westchester to promote pro-climate thinking as well as projects.

Dobbs Ferry Village Justice

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$18,684

Candidates (choose 1):

David A. Koenigsberg



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Dobbs Ferry, NY

Education: J.D., Fordham University School of Law; B.A., cum laude, Williams College

Prior Civic Service: Elected Village Justice 2017; Elected Village Trustee 2006-2014; Deputy Mayor 2007-2009; Trustee, Dobbs Ferry Historical Society, 2003-present; Director, Friends of Dobbs Ferry Waterfront Park, Inc.; Former Coach, Dobbs Ferry Little League; Former Referee, AYSO; Former Director, Walden Wood Homeowners Association.

Q: *Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.*

A: Partner, Menz Bonner Komar & Koenigsberg LLP, White Plains, NY; Assistant United States Attorney, S.D.N.Y.; Law Clerk to Hon. Peter K. Leisure, United States District Court, S.D.N.Y.; United States Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service; Award for Superior Performance as an Assistant United States Attorney by Director of the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys; Awards for Exceptional Achievement and Integrity, Office of Inspector General, Dept. of Health & Human Services

Town of Eastchester

Eastchester Supervisor

Term: 2 years **Salary:** \$98,093

Candidates (choose 1):

Anthony S. Colavita

Party: Rep, Con

John H. Eickemeyer

Party: Dem

Eastchester Town Council

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$15,831

Candidates (choose 2):

Eileen Delucia

Party: Dem

Niamh Hartnett Merluccio

Party: Dem

Luigi Marcoccia

Party: Rep, Con

Theresa Nicholson

Party: Rep, Con

Town of Greenburgh

Greenburgh Supervisor

Term: 2 years **Salary:** \$160,746

Candidates (choose 1):

Paul J. Feiner

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Greenburgh

Education: Fordham University BA Urban Studies Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude St. John's School of Law JD

Prior Civic Service: Westchester County Legislator Coordinator, Have a Heart for the Homeless Committee; Chair, Task Force for Bikeways in Westchester; National Recipient Common Cause Public Service Achievement Award; Chair Westchester Putnam Town Supervisors Association;

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: I've prepared and overseen our town budget with two consecutive zero percent tax hikes and a AAA bond rating (highest rating). Have supervised millions of dollars in capital projects, including miles of new sidewalks. Successfully negotiated union contracts. We have increased parkland by 400 acres and promoted solar and green technol-

ogy. We were the first community in Westchester to outfit police with body cameras. Have created a Human Rights Committee. Always on call: : call me at 478 1219

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Greenburgh has a history of approving affordable housing. We are currently working with the Greenburgh Housing Authority building 70 modern senior housing on Manhattan Ave and approved plans to build 74 units of senior housing at the former Westhelp shelter. We are working to upgrade and modernize scatter site housing. During my administration we were first local government to require the set aside of 10% affordable units in multifamily development. Foreclosed properties are now affordable homes

Greenburgh Town Council

Term: 4 years Salary: \$35,687

Candidates (choose 2):

Ellen P. Hendrickx



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Greenburgh

Education: BA +

Prior Civic Service: Interim Town of Greenburgh Councilperson - 2019; Hastings on Hudson Comprehensive Plan Committee; Comp. Plan Implementation Committee; Architectural Review Board; Chair of the Hastings on Hudson Democratic Committee; Campaign staff: CE Latimer; Judge Delores Brathwaite; Judge Arlene Gordon-Oliver

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Greenburgh is a very diverse community-culturally and economically. A clear understanding of the most relevant topic(s); including context and impacts as they pertain to each hamlet is an important consideration. The overarching issues are affordable housing, economic recovery, environmental impacts and solutions are all areas that I intend to tackle. The specter of the continued pandemic and worsening environmental problems further complicate. I look forward to the challenge.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: I am passionate about implementing fair and affordable housing in my community. I plan to familiarize affordable housing developers with available assets within the community and further, to explore alternative opportunities for development – repurposing retail & commercial properties for housing for example.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Responding to environmental threat is a two-pronged effort. Upgrading our systems to meet the challenges of climate change is one aspect - improving sewers, reinforcing measures to ame-

liorate flooding in areas that are prone to it; advancing “undergrounding” of electrical and data cabling and hardening existing infrastructure for starters.. Supporting laws that reduce factors contributing to climate change such as solar panel programs; installing charging stations for hybrid and electric cars is another. I will work hard to see that these issues, among others, are addressed.

Francis X Sheehan

Party: Dem, WF

Greenburgh Town Clerk

Term: 2 years Salary: \$92,814

Candidates (choose 1):

Judith A. Beville

Party: Dem

Greenburgh Town Justice

Term: 4 years Salary: \$71,324

Candidates (choose 1):

Bonnie J. Orden

Party: Dem

Greenburgh Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years Salary: \$108,100

Candidates (choose 1):

Venita A. Howard

Party: Dem

Town-Village of Harrison

Harrison Supervisor/Mayor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$185,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Richard M. Dionisio



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Harrison, NY

Education: Hughes College; Electrical Engineering/ Business Administration Attended Harrison Central School District

Prior Civic Service: Harrison Little League Harrison Junior Football Parishioner of St Gregory the Great

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Frank D. Gordon



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Harrison, NY

Education: BS, University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business; MBA, University of Chicago Graduate School of Business; JD, University of Chicago Law School

Prior Civic Service: One of the founders of a citizens working group to propose enactment of a gun shop ordinance to protect the security and welfare of Harrison residents; Harrison Food Pantry volunteer

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/movingharrisonforward/>

Twitter: twitter.com/MovingHarrison

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/movingharrisonforward/>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: We need strong fiscal management to limit spending and cut waste. I welcome citizens' input so that Town projects reflect community preferences. Unfortunately, many people have felt ignored by our current Town leadership. Town business should undergo public scrutiny, with information freely and widely shared. My nonpartisan approach will correct a system with too much concentrated power. I will be guided by careful analysis and resident input, using judgment honed over a 25-year career.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Harrison is a welcoming and diverse community. We want to provide affordable housing options for our seniors, working families and first-time homebuyers. We need to ensure that we have adequate incentives in place to encourage builders to include affordable housing units in new or rebuilt projects. Establishing a minimum of 10 percent of new units as a benchmark for affordable housing is a worthy goal.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Recent residential and commercial development has stretched our existing infrastructure to its breaking point. Flooding is a recurrent and all too frequent event in Harrison. The devastation wrought by the aftermath of Hurricane Ida made it clear that we need to do more to improve the Town's stormwater and sanitary sewer infrastructure. Harrison has accumulated zero points under the State's Climate Smart Communities Certification Program for actions relating to climate change and taken no steps towards becoming a NYSER-DA Clean Energy Community. Under my leadership, Harrison will go from last to first in pursuing sustainability goals such as these.

Harrison Council/Trustee

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$19,235

Candidates (choose 2):

Rachel L. Berkey



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Harrison

Education: JD - Cardozo Law School MLS - Palmer School of Library and Information Science (Long Island University) MS - Reading Education (Syracuse University) BA - English (American University)

Prior Civic Service: I serve on the Board of Directors of three non-profit organizations: Harrison Children's Center, Student Advocacy, and the Jewish Community Center of Harrison.

Campaign Web Site: <http://movingharrisonforward.com>

Facebook: <http://MovingHarrisonForward>

Twitter: twitter.com/MovingHarrison

Instagram: <http://MovingHarrisonForward>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Our team, "Moving Harrison Forward" is guided by principles and values centered on public input and participation in local government. The top issues facing Harrison now are overtaxation, overdevelopment, conservation of our environment and our quality of life. As an active, receptive listener and advocate, I intend to be responsive and respect each resident's point of view and will work towards non-partisanship in local government.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Harrison has yet to adopt the model ordinance provisions for fair and affordable housing put forth by Westchester County. It should do so. Currently there is a shortage of affordable housing which specifically affects the lives of senior citizens, people with disabilities, large families and low-income renters. The current zoning puts Harrison at risk for a lawsuit due to the exclusionary impact of its zoning laws.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Harrison's municipal government has lagged behind in environmental initiatives. To address this immediately, the Town could take the actions required to achieve Climate Smart Community certification (Bronze, Silver) status.

Elizabeth D. Brown

Party: Rep, Con

Gina M. Evangelista

Party: Rep, Con

Adam L. Weiner



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Harrison, NY

Education: Master's Degree

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Twitter: twitter.com/MovingHarrison

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My top priority to make our town more progressive in the way it governs. To me this means advocating for all members of our communities, not just the wealthy and powerful. Creating a transparent and inclusive town government with leaders who will look to serve the town, not their own selves and their friends. Town business should be done deliberately and transparently, with input from all. And at all times the tax burden of our residents should be minimized.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Fair and affordable housing ensures that the people who work in our community can live here as well. Because the Average Median Income for our area is so high (\$125,000/year), a family of four who makes less than \$100,640 would qualify. Harrison should adopt the model ordinance provisions for fair and affordable housing put forth by Westchester County immediately.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Harrison needs to become more progressive with clean/green policies while providing more open spaces. One of the first things our town should do is develop and implement a climate action plan (CAP) - a strategic roadmap that specifically outlines how we can mitigate climate change impacts on a local level. Nine of our neighboring municipalities are already working alongside Westchester County to develop regional and local CAPs. Harrison should have one too. I would also relook at the building codes and work to ensure that Harrison receives the Climate Smart Community certification. Electing leaders who will prioritize addressing climate change and its impacts is essential. Failure to act on this important issue will mean leaving a world for our children that is exponentially worse than the one we have today.

Harrison Town/Village Clerk

Term: 2 years **Salary:** \$109,618

Candidates (choose 1):

Jacqueline Greer



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Harrison

Education: Graduate of Simmons Business School

Prior Civic Service: Current President of the Westchester/Putnam Town Clerk's Association

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Harrison Town Justice

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$84,769

Candidates (choose 1):

Daniel D. Angiolillo

Party: Dem, Rep, Con

Harrison Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$101,050

Candidates (choose 1):

Michael Giordano

Party: Rep, Con

Village of Irvington

Irvington Mayor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$4,800

Candidates (choose 1):

Brian C. Smith

Party: Dem

Irvington Village Trustee

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$2,400

Candidates (choose 2):

Mitchell T. Bard



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Irvington

Education: J.D. and PhD

Prior Civic Service: Four years on the Irvington Theater Commission Five years on the Irvington Democratic Committee

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The current Village Board has done an excellent job navigating the key issues facing the village. One key issue is making sure the village is doing everything it can to help individuals and businesses who have been adversely affected by the pandemic. Another key issue is doing what we can to address systemic racism. We are lucky that we live in a village in which a lot has already been done with the support of the vast majority of residents.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I strongly support the village looking for ways to increase affordable housing in the village. The village will be a stronger place if we are more diverse, not just with regard to race but also with regard to economic status.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Climate change is an existential threat to all of us. Every decision made by the board should include an analysis of how we are responding to the climate crisis. That includes the actions as to how the village operates, but also with regard to how individuals and businesses operate in the village. A related point: We are so lucky in Irvington to be surrounded by natural beauty, from the river to our parks and woods. I would certainly look to preserve and strengthen these village assets. If I am fortunate enough to be elected to the Village Board of Trustees, I look forward to the chance to investigate how the village can act to protect the environment, including addressing the village's impact on climate change.

Arlene Burgos

Party: Dem

Village of Larchmont

Larchmont Village Justice

Term 4 Years

Salary \$25,000/year

Candidates (choose 1):

Thea Beaver



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Larchmont, NY

Education: Pace University School of Law, J.D. magna cum laude, 1990; University of Pennsylvania, B.A. cum laude, 1976.

Prior Civic Service: Larchmont Village Prosecutor (1996-1997)

Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: Serving Larchmont as Village Justice for the past 24 years has been both challenging and rewarding. The job is challenging because Village Courts have jurisdiction over a wide range of matters. The position is rewarding because I can make a positive difference in the lives of those who appear before me. My philosophy is to give each person courtesy, respect, and the discernment required to understand and decide the case fairly. I want everyone to leave the courtroom knowing they were heard.

Village of Larchmont Trustees

Term 2 years

Salary 0

Candidates (choose 2):

Brigid Brennan

Party: Dem

Dana L. Post

Party: Dem

Town of Lewisboro

Lewisboro Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$92,391

Candidates (choose 1):

William J. Bongiorno



Party: Rep, Con, NU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: South Salem

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Communication, SUNY Buffalo

Prior Civic Service: Scouts BSA, 2017-present; LBA coach, 2015-present

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Facebook: <http://votebongiorno>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I will fix Lewisboro's faltering infrastructure and monetize it for future revenue. We have a water problem affecting a significant amount of people in town which I will alleviate through grants and funding from various levels of government. I will be more business-friendly with our existing businesses and partner with them to keep the money and people from leaving town to surrounding areas through more community programs.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I support Lewisboro's adoption of Westchester County's model ordinance, within the restrictions imposed upon us by the New York City watershed, so that affordable housing is available throughout each community in our Town.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: My administration would take advantage of the Local Waterfront Revitalization (LWRP) plan to restore the health of our local lakes, some of which are rated by New York State's Department of Environmental Conservation as among our state's most impaired waterways. In 2017, the governor signed legislation designating lakes Katonah, Kitchawan, Oscaleta, Rippowam, Truesdale, and Waccabuc as inland waterways for purposes of waterfront revitalization. An LWRP would supplement the good work of our existing lakes committee, providing additional resources and access to funding streams. The approved plan acts as a guide to future development, addressing local and regional waterway

issues to improve water quality, promote public access, and provide for smarter growth. I would do everything we can to not only revitalize our lakes in Lewisboro, but make them the best they can be, particularly when programs and funding are available by the state to help do this and pay for it.

Tony Goncalves



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Goldens Bridge, NY

Education: Bachelor of Engineering, Hofstra University

Prior Civic Service: Lewisboro Housing Committee, Lewisboro Lions Club member and prior President, Soccer Coach Lewisboro Parks & Rec, Boy Scouts of America scout leader

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My approach would be to start with first understanding, from the residents, of what is important to them. When I campaigned for my current Town Councilman role in 2017 the major complaint was the frequency of power outages. When I got on the board in 2018 we spearheaded an effort with our power company (NYSEG) to have them do all they could to minimize outages. They have done that and are continuing to including a multi-million dollar project to upgrade infrastructure and add resiliency.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Fair and affordable housing is critical and I am supportive of further development throughout town where physically possible. We have several small individual affordable housing in the form of stand-alone house (with and w/o accessory apartments) throughout town but we also have a major 42 unit project which broke ground this year in Goldens Bridge. This larger development will benefit the local businesses and their success is important to me.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: In terms of environmental threats and in conjunction with NYS DEC and DEP, we are currently involved in work with several of our lakes where an engineering study is underway to determine the corrective action to mitigate phosphorous buildup which is caused by old septic systems surrounding those lakes. We also have a storm water mitigation project for the benefit of another lake, in addition our town code includes strict wetland regulations. We need to lower our carbon footprint and ways to do that have included the increased usage of LED street lighting and we recently approved installation of Electric Vehicle charging stations. We see a shift in auto manufacturers away from the internal combustion engine and installing EV Chargers is the first step in supporting these vehicles throughout Town owned properties. This had included encouraging shopping center owners to do the same and they have been receptive and in one case are actually pursuing the EV Chargers.

Lewisboro Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$16,215

Candidates (choose 2):

Alison Biddle



Party: Rep, Con, NU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Lewisboro

Education: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics

Prior Civic Service: N/A

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I am a computer scientist by training and approach all issues logically. I like to fully understand something before thinking of a solution, but once I do I tend to think outside of the box. Clean water in Oakridge requires a new approach, a creative solution, with funding that is likely to be found through grants and low or interest free loans. In the past 20 years, it has only gotten worse and we should be looking for an independent engineering study to ensure we are doing what is best.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: A public/private collaboration makes the most sense, if you get the details right. We've all heard developer stories, where key aspects of a development to benefit residents and the community were never made, and government failed to impose clawbacks to address the broken agreements. Likewise, every private company has stories of their dealings with government agencies. With an oversight board like a non-profit entity, we could keep both the developer and the government in check.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I have always been pro-environment and have tried to maintain an environmentally friendly lifestyle. Today our family works very hard to limit our impact on the environment. We do this in many ways from our garden to table lifestyle to only LED lights. With our construction company, Pink Shirt Construction, we are always working with the towns and our clients to ensure that we are as conscious of the environment as we can be. This includes: 1. Installing EV chargers at the clients home, 2. Only using spray foam insulation. 3. Using Reclaimed and recycled materials as often as we can. 4. Ensure homes we work on are HERR rated where possible. 5. Using the cleanest and highest quality materials. 6. Working closely with the environmental agencies and building inspectors of the town. If elected I will work to make Lewisboro the highest-rated climate smart community in Northern Westchester.

Jane Crimmins



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Lewisboro, South Salem hamlet

Education: MS - Occupational Therapy, Tufts U
MS - Elementary Education, Brooklyn College
BA - Columbia College, Eng Lit

Prior Civic Service: I have served as Councilperson in the Town of Lewisboro for nearly 4 years now. Within that time there isn't an aspect of local civil service I haven't participated in, from town and school committees, to volunteering at parks, preserves and with Scouts. I'm also an active member of our local homeowner's association and make myself widely available to my constituents.

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: I take a collaborative approach to the issues facing the Town of Lewisboro. It's important for me to hear from constituents and stakeholders to understand different perspectives and incorporate those into effective policy. Whether it's working to find members to lead committees, applying for grants to improve our Town or helping to organize community events, I am available for those who are interested in the betterment of our shared community.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Affordable housing remains an ongoing issue in our community. We have too many seniors who are not able to age in place and young professionals who leave our community to live elsewhere. Our housing stock needs to be diversified to accommodate these varied needs and allow residents of varying income diversities to reside in Town.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: The Town's Sustainability Committee has been working diligently for a number of years to create ways for us to shift our mindset around climate change. At the same time we have worked with State officials to encourage NYSEG and other utility providers to harden their infrastructure against the increased severe storms through our region. It will be critical in the years to come for leaders in our Town to continue to work on these issues holistically.

Andrea Rendo



Party: Rep, Con, NU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: South Salem

Education: State University of New York At Binghamton, Binghamton, NY Bachelor of the

Arts, May, 1989 Dual Major – Political Science and Philosophy Albany Law School, Albany, NY - Juris Doctor May, 1992

Prior Civic Service: Lewisboro Committee - Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative New York State Bar Association Committee on Voter Participation, 2012 New York State Bar Association Committee on a Constitutional Convention New York State Bar Association Committee on the New York State Constitution New York State Bar Association Vehicle and Traffic Law Committee Westchester County Planning Commission, Committee Member, 2015-2019 Westchester County Bar Association, Chairperson, Judicial Screening Committee

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: First, I will insist on more transparency in our Town government; far too much Town Board business takes place behind closed doors, ignoring public input. Second, I will push for more responsible financial management, including creative and aggressive pursuit of grants and low-interest loans to fund preservation and maintenance of Town assets. Third, I will sharpen our focus on infrastructure and utilities to find ways to make sure the services provided to our residents are finally reliable.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: We need to revisit the current Board's decision to cut the Workforce Affordable Housing Law preferences that once helped local workers, first responders and senior citizens find local housing. We must also streamline regulations to reduce bureaucratic construction costs that add to housing prices. Finally, to promote our sense of community, affordable housing should blend into the surrounding neighborhood in such a way to avoid segregating or isolating its residents or their neighbors.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Long-term regional planning to address climate change is critical. However, as recent storms have shown starkly, we also need to address more immediate local concerns. Road maintenance and drainage may not make headlines, but they still must be addressed immediately. Also, Lewisboro's infrastructure must become more resilient, for the sake of both safety and reliability; for example, some of our hamlet communities from Oakridge to Golden's Bridge struggle with chronic drinking-water issues that the Town Board has yet to address properly. We also see a decline in the health of our lakes, as blue-green algae blooms have made many of our lakes unsafe and unhealthy over the last several years. We need to step up funding pursuits not only for studies needed to devise solutions for our lakes, but also to implement the findings of those studies. A Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, which may serve as a "master plan" for the future of our lakes, is one way to achieve these goals.

Mary Shah



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Lewisboro

Education: Master of Library Science, Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT; Bachelor of Arts, New School for Social Research, New York, NY

Prior Civic Service: Town of Lewisboro, NY, Conservation Advisory Council Member, 2020-present; Lewisboro Library Trustee, 2010 - 2018; Executive Committee, Vice President, 2011-2018; Silent Auction Chair, 2011-2018; Founder and Chair, Nightclub at the Library Concert Series, 2012-2018.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I would work with my fellow residents, by actively listening and engaging community members, involving experts as well as researching the history and legal framework. I would connect the team with those who can assist us in planning, financing, and implementing the project. After implementing solutions, we would revisit and analyze whether revisions need to be made. I would also strive to keep taxes under the cap, continuing the careful fiscal approach of the current board.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Everyone deserves a home they can afford. We can build on the work that has already been started by town committees. Lewisboro has had success with density bonus zoning that provided 35 middle income units in Oakridge, based on median incomes of town employees, the backbone of our community. It is important to take a holistic approach and consider the Lewisboro Comprehensive Plan. We need to work on fair housing so our children, our seniors, and first responders should be able to live here.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Lewisboro encourages green renovations—working with agencies that offer guidance and financial incentives to increase insulation & reduce energy consumption. All town lighting use LED fixtures and there's progress in planning electric vehicles charging stations being installed throughout town. Lewisboro has restricted the use of wood boilers & began one of the first bans on single-use plastic bags in the area. Lewisboro has an incredible and competent Emergency Management team that works with county, state, and federal services to keep our town prepared and ready to face environmental threats. We would work with community leaders, including the library director, to create workshops to promote the benefits of reducing energy use, increasing preparation for potential climate threats, and build for a safer future. People could learn how they may already be able to charge an electric car at home or how to successfully get rebates for green appliances.

Lewisboro Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$90,135

Candidates (choose 1):

Deirdre Casper



Party: Dem, Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: South Salem, New York

Education: B.A., Pace University

Prior Civic Service: President, Westchester County Association of Tax Receivers; Director, Lewisboro Lions Club,

Campaign Web Site: <http://lewisborogov.com/receiveroftaxes>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My approach is to ensure accurate, cost-effective tax collections for our Town and the County, Special Districts, and Katonah-Lewisboro Schools, while using the latest technology and options to meet the needs of Lewisboro residents and property-owners. Consistently complying with the requirements of both Westchester County and New York State Real Property tax laws while providing excellent service, careful communication and fair, even-handed treatment to all constituents is paramount.

Town of Mamaroneck

Mamaroneck Town Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$39,413

Candidates (choose 1):

Jaine Elkind Eney



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Mamaroneck, NY

Education: Fordham University School of Law, J.D., cum laude. Wellesley College, B.A., with the distinction, Wellesley Scholar

Prior Civic Service: Deputy Mayor/Trustee Village of Larchmont, NY. Chair, Board of Assessment Review, Town of Mamaroneck. Human Rights Committee, Town of Mamaroneck. 350th Anniversary Committee, Town of Mamaroneck. Chatsworth Avenue School PTA.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I believe in taking a multi-faceted approach towards Town issues such as the environment, pandemic, aging infrastructure. First I'd reach out to

the residents to solicit their opinions. If an issue affects more than one community, I would try to partner with a neighboring community to seek savings. If the issue affects many communities or where the resolution is very costly, such as infrastructure repairs or flood control, I would seek participation on the County, State and even Federal level.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Affordable Housing is important for our Town's diversity. The Town Housing Authority, established 30 years ago, operates the Hommocks Park Apartments, constructed to provide affordable and workforce housing. The Town Board rezoned the business districts to permit residential use and adopted the model housing ordinance, both with a required affordable component. Additionally, the Town operates a Section 8 voucher program. The Town continues to seek additional opportunities for affordable housing.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Town continues to be on the forefront of environmental initiatives. The Town was the 9th community in NYS to become a Climate Smart Community and it is currently ranked 3rd in NYS by NYSEDA as a Clean Energy Community; this recently qualified the Town for \$45,000 in grants for further clean energy projects. The Town has an active sustainability committee which recommends to the Town Board environmental projects. Among our many projects, the Town has installed solar panels on public buildings, purchased electric and hybrid vehicles and installed EV chargers in several locations. In addition, the Town has incorporated green infrastructure in major Town paving projects for flood mitigation, has adopted the NYS Stretch Code, thus greening our building code, and has enacted a flood prevention law for almost all construction. Also, the Town is engaged in food scrap recycling and a tree canopy enhancement program. I look forward to furthering the Town's environmental initiatives.

Mamaroneck Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$6,306

Candidates (choose 2):

Sabrina Fiddelman



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Mamaroneck
Education: MBA, New York University Stern School of Business BA, Colgate University

Prior Civic Service: Larchmont-Mamaroneck Local Summit-Treasurer, Larchmont-Mamaroneck Hunger Task Force-Steering committee member, Cancer Support Team-Advisory board member, Murray Avenue School PTA-President, Mamaroneck Schools Foundation-President, School Board Selection Committee-Member, Mamaroneck High School College Information Center-Volunteer coordinator, Tri-Municipal Human Rights Commission-Acting chair, The Center for Continuing Education-Board member, LMCMedia-Board member

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The most important issues are the environment, the pandemic, nationally worsening social inequities and our aging infrastructure. And we must provide municipal services for all our residents to protect and improve their quality of life in a cost effective way. The Board must address these issues by listening to our residents and dealing with them openly and honestly. We need to look at facts, not politics, to arrive at solutions. We must balance these issues and move the community forward.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: It is vital to the health and well-being of our community. The Town's Housing Authority built and manages the Hommocks Park apartments, providing low income and workforce housing. The Board passed the Model Housing Ordinance mandating that new multi-unit construction have at least 10% affordable units. Our Public Housing Authority has an active Section 8 program. I will work with these organizations, the County and developers. I believe perseverance is the way to improve the situation.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Town has been pro-active on environmental and climate issues for years. We recently qualified for \$4,500 in grants from NYSEDA to further our clean energy activities. We purchase electric vehicles whenever possible. We installed electric car chargers around the community. We installed solar panels at the Hommocks Ice Rink which provide lower cost, lower energy-footprint power. Participation was offered to low and moderate income residents first, then to all Town residents. We encourage recycling of food scraps for composting. Love Your Food, a program partly funded by the NYS DEC, raises awareness about the environmental problems of food waste. We passed the NYS Stretch Code which mandates energy efficient building standards. A group of MHS students and the Town's Sustainability Collaborative developed the Green Mamaroneck app to share ways to improve the resilience of our community. We are proud of these programs and others. I hope to continue to build on them in my next term.

Robin Nichinsky



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Larchmont, NY

Education: J.D., Cardozo School of Law, cum laude, Managing Editor, Cardozo Law Review; M.S. Guidance and Counseling, College of New Rochelle; B.A. Psychology, SUNY Stony Brook

Prior Civic Service: Mamaroneck Town Zoning Board of Appeals, Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee and Traffic Committee; Mamk-Larchmont Student Aid Fund; Mam'k Union Free School District School Board, including as President; Mam'k-Larchmont Human Rights Commission, including as Chair; Westchester Jewish Cen-

ter, Trustee; Mam'k School District PTA, Board Member.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I intend to listen to people's concerns and approach the issues in an effective, transparent, equitable and inclusive way. I will be open to new ideas and work collaboratively to, for example, strengthen our local economy, support municipal services and infrastructure, and maintain fiscal responsibility and respect for the environment. Recent flooding proved how essential local services are to community members in need. And we must tackle this pandemic and move past it into a new prosperous era.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: We need more fair and affordable housing in this community now more than ever. I plan to work with the Town's Housing Authority and Planning and Zoning Boards, as well as local community groups, to accomplish this. The issue should be a priority in the Town's long term Comprehensive Plan, and I am a member of the Steering Committee for that Plan. We will need to think outside the box as to how to best accomplish this goal, which will help diversify and enrich our entire community.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Town of Mamaroneck has been a leader in the area of environmental responsibility. This includes the solar panel energy project at Hommocks Middle School, our Town's "Love Your Food" composting initiative, electric cars in the Town fleet and electric car charging stations all around our community. We were also recently awarded a grant by NYSEDA of \$45,000 to support future clean energy initiatives. I look forward to continuing this legacy and to support our Town as a leader in environmental issues and as a model for other communities.

Mamaroneck Town Justice

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$22,071

Candidates (choose 1):

Ronald W Meister

Party: Dem

Village of Mamaroneck

Mamaroneck Village Mayor

Term: 2 years **Salary:** \$9,505

Candidates (choose 1):

Thomas A. Murphy



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mamaroneck NY

Education: Xavier HS graduated 1979 Attended Hunter College

Prior Civic Service: Village of Mamaroneck Trustee 2001-2009 Town of Mamaroneck Councilman 2014 till 2017. Mayor of Mamaroneck 2017 till present

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Mamaroneck Village Trustee

Term: 2 years **Salary:** \$6,865

Candidates (choose 1):

Nora A. Lucas



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mamaroneck Town of Rye

Education: BA Manhattanville College; MA Boston University

Prior Civic Service: Chair and Member Mamaroneck Landmarks Advisory Committee, Member Mamaroneck Flood Mitigation Committee, Girl Scout Leader, PTSA Volunteer, Board Member Westchester Preservation League

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Flooding. A long-studied flood mitigation plan by the Army Corps of Engineers has been out of our reach. Sadly, Hurricane Ida brought devastation to hundreds of people in our community who lost everything, but also new hope that the stalled Army Corps plan will come to fruition. I will work with the Army Corps, County, State and Federal Elected Officials, Village volunteers and residents to ensure that the Army Corps Flood Mitigation Project achieves the maximum flood mitigation possible.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I successfully pushed for a requirement for Fair and Affordable Housing in our commercial districts. We need to adopt the requirement Village wide to assure that our affordable units are dispersed throughout the village to preserve economic diversity. When municipalities adopt this model law, municipal leaders will clearly communicate to developers and their consultants that they have a civic responsibility to assure affordable housing when they choose to build in our Village.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Village made a renewable energy ESCO the default electric supplier for Village residents. We also implemented a food waste composting program, which has grown in popularity and volume. Ad-

ditionally, we have built EV charging stations and are building more, and our fleet of electric vehicles even includes Police cars. We have installed LED lights throughout the Village and have recently undertaken an energy audit of all of our buildings. The environmental benefits of trees are many and I have worked with the Tree Committee to develop a law to protect trees on private property and we are in the final stages of passing the law, which will prevent clear cutting by developers, preserve individual trees on residential lots and provide for replacement when trees are lost. Though we do not control NYS code, instead of using green building to provide incentives for developers to enable them to build larger, we have made green building a requirement in our village

Town/Village of Mount Kisco

Mount Kisco Mayor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$12,500

Candidates (choose 1):

Gina Marie Picinich



Party: Dem, 4MK

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mount Kisco

Education: B.A. Bucknell University M.S. Ed College of Staten Island

Prior Civic Service: Community Service: As a member of the Bedford Central School District Budget Advisory Committee, Gina has been a staunch advocate for the residents of Mount Kisco. Mount Kisco Elementary School: Educational Services Co-chair, Fifth Grade Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. Fox Lane Youth Lacrosse: Scheduling Coordinator & Team Manager Kisco Run Volunteer Saint Patrick's : Children's Liturgy Program & Catechist

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Lead with transparency, encourage community participation, invest in infrastructure, encourage investment, and deliver the highest level of services at a fair price to taxpayers.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Mount Kisco continues to be rated in the top 10 most affordable municipalities in Westchester. There are approximately 375 subsidized housing units in the Village. The current housing stock is equitably balanced between affordable, middle, and luxury residences. As we encourage development in the Village we must ensure that there is housing for people at all socioeconomic levels to ensure we maintain that balance.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Energy use is the has the largest negative impact on carbon emissions. Government, residents and businesses must all focus on reducing use

and purchasing clean renewable energy. The Village purchases our power through NYPA, which is largely hydro. All street and building lighting has been converted to LED. We continue to invest in upgrading government buildings to new energy efficient climate control systems to reduce energy use. The Village provides options for residents and businesses to purchase clean renewable power through our partnership with Sustainable Westchester. The Village is enforcing NYS 2020 Energy Conservation Code requiring all building to adhere to stricter standards. Additionally, we facilitate paper & plastics recycling and food scrap recycling programs.

Mount Kisco Village Trustee

Term: 2 years Salary: \$8,000

Candidates (choose 2):

Ann Bianchi

Party: Dem

Karine Patino

Party: Dem

Mount Kisco Town Justice

Term: 4 years Salary: \$35,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Anthony Markus

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mount Kisco, New York
Education: Pace University School of Law – Juris Doctor. Fairleigh Dickinson University – Bachelor of Science – Economics and Finance Honors: cum laude; Recipient of Dean Galante Award for Outstanding Contribution to Student Government

Prior Civic Service: Former Assistant Regional Commissioner and coach of Mount Kisco AYSO. Former Chair Mount Kisco Finance Committee. Former Member of Westchester County Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board. Former President of Yorktown Bar Association, Member of Westchester County Bar Association and New York State Bar Association. Member of New York State Association of Collaborative Professionals and Co-Chair of Training and Educational Committee.

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Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: I am a partner at Markus & Sheridan, LLP and have 27 years of experience as a practicing attorney. I have represented numerous clients in criminal defense matters including negotiated resolutions, hearings and trials. I have also handled hundreds of matters in Family and Supreme Courts concerning family offense, custody, and divorce matters. I am confident that my experience and temperament would enable me to serve as a fair-minded, objective Justice on behalf of the Mount Kisco community.

Town of Mount Pleasant

Mount Pleasant Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$157,805

Candidates (choose 1):

Joseph A Bonanno



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Valhalla

Current Political Office: Valhalla Board of Fire Commissioners

Education: MBA - Monmouth University - Information Systems; BBA - Pace University - Accounting

Prior Civic Service: Valhalla Fire Department - Fire Fighter; Valhalla Boy Scouts Troop Leader; Holy Name of Jesus - CYO Basketball Board

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My approach is honest, transparent and hands-on, and my goal is to take my business skills, elevated by my community values, and apply them to improving the lives of the citizens of Mt. Pleasant.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: An expanded mix of housing options will increase the availability of work force housing. I will work to broaden the housing options available in Mount Pleasant.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Creating more open space is the key to climate resiliency. I will work to increase the amount of open space available in Mount Pleasant which will act as a natural barrier and absorb the impact of environmental threats and climate change.

Carl Fulgenzi Jr.



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: 77 Larrys Lane Pleasantville, NY, 10570

Education: Some college

Prior Civic Service: Founding member of the chamber of commerce in town Secretary of the Thornwood lions club 1992 to present Elected as councilman 1989, served three terms, deputy Supervisor for three years took over for the last year of the former Supervisor and was elected to a full term in 2015 Town board member for over 12 years

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Mount Pleasant Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$21,066

Candidates (choose 2):

Evan H. Echenthal

Party: Dem

Francesca Hagadus-McHale



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pleasantville, Town of Mount Pleasant

Education: BS/MA Georgetown University, Washington DC. Teacher Certification: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Marymount Secondary School, Tarrytown NY. Lycée Franco-Mexicain, Mexico City, Mexico

Prior Civic Service: Elected Councilwoman November 2018. Board member and co-founder of Up2Us. Member of Indivisible Mount Pleasant. Active member of New York State United Teachers. Former Executive Committee of Swiss Ski Club of NY. Host for year-long foreign students from EF Language School. Former Chair of Foreign Language Department Robert E. Bell school Chappaqua. Campaigned for Democratic candidates since 2015 Current Vice Chair of the Mt. Pleasant Democratic Committee

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: -Energy: focused on finding solutions -Accountable: take on residents' issues -Transparent: expand communication and outreach - Actively engage Federal, State and County resources -Development: smart projects that align with the Comprehensive Plan -Taxes: hold the line and expand the base through sustainable growth -Honor tradition and embrace diversity -Leverage different points of view -Celebrate our history and welcome new residents -Leverage diff

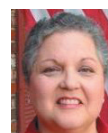
Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: People deserve to be able to live in the communities where they work. Affordable housing for those who serve the community should be a priority.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I am actively involved in the Save Pocantico Lake project as development is threatening to ruin this jewel of Mount Pleasant.

Laurie D. Rogers Smalley



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Valhalla Town of Mount Pleasant

Education: Pleasantville High School 1974 Skidmore College BS/RN 1978 Salve Regina University Certificate Holistic Leadership 2009

Prior Civic Service: Councilwoman 2014-present Liaison to Dept. of Parks & Recreation 2014-2020 Liaison to Library Board 2018-2020 Co Founder/Volunteer Coordinator: Mount Pleasant Food Pantry of the Knights of Columbus Member: Steering Committee Pleasantville Strong ALA Auxiliary Post 1038 Knights of Columbus St. Dominic Post 4399 Auxiliary Past Member: Valhalla UFSD PTAs President Valhalla International Fund Parents Club Girl Scout Co-Leader Religious Education Teacher Church Choir Member

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Campaign Email: irogerssmaalley@hotmail.com

Campaign Phone: (914) 844-8370

Facebook: <http://Re-elect Councilwoman Laurie Rogers-Smaalley to Mt. Pleasant Town Board>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Sound Fiscal Management-supporting budgets that bring the lowest tax increase to keep the community affordable for young families and Seniors. Intelligent Development-supporting development of commercial space to contribute to the tax base. Supporting a new Master Plan to redesign hamlets and commercial corridors to allow for walkable neighborhoods. Public Safety-supporting increased staff development and education for police officers and first responders to provide citizens effective service.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: A local issue that should be determined based on the needs of the community and follow local planning/zoning codes. Mount Pleasant takes pride in being a multi-generational community. Many senior residents are in the process of 'down sizing' but desire to stay within the Town. There should be support to increase the supply of financially accessible housing for Seniors, Veterans, Civil Servants, and young families,

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Initiatives in the Town of Mount Pleasant include: Installation of LED bulbs on all street lamps. Addition of electric vehicles to Town fleet. With Con Ed Solutions: Construction of electric charging station for public and private use. Installation of solar panels on the roof of Highway Department/DPW Building. Under construction: Solar canopies for parking areas at Town Hall. Under construction: Solar canopies for parking and recreation areas at Community Center. Plans with NYPA: Replace all windows and update heating and cooling systems at Town Hall to lower energy costs. Removal of antiquated generator and replacement with updated generator at Town Hall will allow the Town to store energy and go off grid at time of peak demands. Refurbishment of parks, ponds, and hiking trails. Development of policies that require new construction to provide green space. Installation of new water meters/computer programs that allow residential and commercial users to monitor use and waste,

Thomas A Sialiano

Party: Rep, Con

Mount Pleasant Town Clerk

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$96,467

Candidates (choose 1):

Emily A Costanza

Party: Rep

Mount Pleasant Superintendent of Highways

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$112,200

Candidates (choose 1):

Richard B. Benkwitt



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Mount Pleasant NY

Education: Bachelor of Science. Master of Science.

Prior Civic Service: Ex-Chief Thornwood Fire District. Fire Commissioner Thornwood Fire District. Chair Board of Assessment Review. Volunteer Firefighter 35 Years. Little League Coach. Boy Scout Cub Scout Leader. Member PTA. Various other organizations.

Campaign Web Site: <http://Mtppleasantmovingforward.com>

Facebook: <http://Mt. Pleasant Moving Forward>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Upgrading critical Town infrastructure. Modernizing Highway Fleet. Improving Morale of Employees. Upgrading Highway Headquarters. Provide High Level of Service at least cost. Work with other officials to coordinate projects. Be responsive to residents and businesses request. Provide regular updates on projects to the public. Utilize written, electronic, internet and social media to reach everyone

Mount Pleasant Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$97,591

Candidates (choose 1):

Grace Labricciosa-Papa

Party: Rep, Con

City of Mount Vernon

Mount Vernon City Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$36,500

Candidates (choose 3):

Danielle Browne



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mount Vernon

Education: Barnard College, Columbia University - BA University of Miami School of Law - JD

Campaign Web Site: <http://Mvforward.com>

Facebook: <http://www.Facebook.com/mvforward2021>

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Lauren S Carter



Party: WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Mount Vernon

Education: Executive Master of Urban Planning - University of Southern California; Bachelor of Arts in English and Political Science, cum laude, Fordham University

Prior Civic Service: Food Pantry Volunteer; Hospital and Nursing Home Volunteer; Former Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center Volunteer

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Instagram: <http://laurenforcitycouncil>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Many police officers have left Mount Vernon; part of the reason is due to low pay. They need new contracts. I would advocate for greater investment in public safety. This would also include enhanced training and better community policing. I would advocate for the utilization of economic development policies and tools to attract new businesses to increase the city's tax base and to provide job opportunities. I would work with stakeholders to improve services for our youth and seniors.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: There are several foreclosure properties in Mount Vernon which can be developed to provide homeownership opportunities for first-time home buyers. The city also needs to enforce the housing and building code to ensure that residents are living in decent housing.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The city can develop resiliency policies to mitigate and respond to environmental threats and to climate change.

Cathlin Gleason

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

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Ed Poteat

Party: Dem

Mount Vernon Comptroller

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$128,700

Candidates (choose 1):

Darren M Morton

Party: Dem

Town of New Castle

New Castle Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$42,865

Candidates (choose 1):

Lisa Katz



Party: UNC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Chappaqua, New Castle, NY

Education: Juris Doctor from Fordham Law School; Bachelor of Science from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania; and Bachelor of Arts from the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania

Prior Civic Service: Twice elected New Castle Town Councilmember (elected 2013 and 2017) - each term is four years

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/UniteNewCastleNY/>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I'll represent 100% of our community, regardless of party affiliation. I want to stop the ill-conceived FBC and bring appropriate, sustainable development to our town, advocating for residents rather than developers. I'll address airport environmental issues; govern with a diversity and inclusion lens; establish affordable and attainable housing options; finish sidewalks/sewers in Millwood; increase rec programming; maintain sensitive West End eco-systems; and bring entertainment events to town.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Affordable & attainable housing must be integrated within our community & scaled to our town. In the last 3 years alone over 60 units of affordable and attainable housing were developed in New Castle without a Form-Based Code. Collaboration with developers is essential - we worked to develop the award-winning Cupola building, which is perhaps the most inclusive affordable housing project in the County. I also proposed mandating

a 10% affordability requirement in current downtown zoning.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: It's been my honor to have worked (and to continue working) with our Sustainability Advisory and Conservation Boards. In my tenure on the Town Board, we've passed a reusable bag initiative, curbed gas leaf blower use, begun a composting program, provided solar power at discounted prices to residents and businesses, become the first community in NYS to default to all green electricity supply, converted nearly all street lights to LED, resolved to work toward the goals of the Paris Accord and more! We are a Climate Smart community and will continue to strive to keep New Castle as a leader in environmental initiatives.

Holly McCall



Party: Dem, 4NC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: New Castle, New York

Education: B.S. International Business and Business Management, Roger Williams University

Prior Civic Service: Board of Education, Chappaqua Central School District CPTA Vice Chair Roaring Brook PTA CPTA Chair Roaring Brook PTA CPTA Co-Chair Bell PTA Craft Fair Founder and Treasurer of Up2Us, grassroots activist organization focused on civic engagement and education. Member, Rotary Club of Chappaqua

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Instagram: <http://dems4newcastle2021>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: To make New Castle even more welcoming, equitable and thriving -Revitalize hamlets: Encourage more community activities, recreation and test rezoning the N. Greeley corridor. -Promote equity & inclusion: Institutionalize and fund the CRE, promote increased housing diversity and celebrate diversity in our community. -Environmental stewardship & sustainability: Seek Climate Smart Community Silver Certification, protect watersheds and areas of biodiversity and promote use of EVs and expand solar.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Westchester County is currently facing a serious shortage of quality affordable housing. I believe our community must seek to increase the supply of accessible and affordable housing. I support local efforts currently underway to increase the supply of rental units through the implementation of a form based zoning code with a minimum of 10% affordable housing units and exploring expansion to include workforce housing units, all integrated with market rate units.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: New Castle must approach climate change proactively and act aggressively to reduce carbon emissions. Achieving CSC Certification of Bronze

or even Silver will reflect efforts and programs implemented in waste management, conservation, energy efficiency and NYSEERDA green building code implementation. Recent storms show us that we must assess our resilience to flooding as well as emergency management needs that may change as climate changes. New Castle should take steps to ensure its operations are as green as possible, such as: Town owned/operated vehicles transition to EV and performing energy audits of municipal buildings/spaces, solar panel installation on municipal buildings where feasible. New Castle can also encourage walkability/bike-ability in the community and reduce reliance on vehicles. Both short-term action/reaction and long-term planning must both be part of the town response to climate change.

New Castle Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$10,250

Candidates (choose 2):

Andrea Sanseverino Galan



Party: UNC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: New Castle

Education: Master's Degree, University of Warwick (UK) Bachelor's Degree, Goucher College

Prior Civic Service: My career has been dedicated to public service through leadership in non-profit organizations in the US, UK, Europe, China, and Latin America.

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/UniteNewCastleNY>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Chris and I believe collaboration and transparency, where resident interests supersede politics, are key. Goal one is achieving responsible, sustainable development that serves the entire community, creates needed vibrancy and increases housing options for all. This only can be achieved by involving all key stakeholders, not through a check the box Form Based Code. Other priorities include sidewalks and sewers in Millwood, preserving our open and green spaces, and airport environmental issues

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Chris and I believe New Castle must be a leader in ensuring there is sufficient affordable and workforce housing to serve the needs of those who live and work here. We can best achieve this by collaborating with developers to integrate it into new developments throughout Town. New Castle has created more than 60 new affordable and workforce housing units over the last 3 years, all in the absence of a check the box Form Based Code. The Cupola building at Chappaqua Crossing is a prime example.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Along with its premier school system, Chris & I believe that New Castle's most precious asset is its natural beauty. Our Town needs to increase outreach, education and engagement, including

regarding composting, plastic bags, use of renewables, and preserving & expanding our native animal and plant populations. Maintaining resident and Town Board control over future development is key, which is why we oppose the check the box Form Based Code, which would pave the way toward 15+ years of development and ensuing traffic and congestion, the opposite of responsible and sustainable development. Chris will also focus on collaboration with the School Board and other key agencies on innovative education programs for all residents, and will ensure the Town continues to have a strong voice in curbing the damaging environmental impacts from Westchester Airport. Finally, additional emphasis must be placed on emergency preparedness, so residents are not devastated with each weather event

Tara McAdam Kassal



Party: UNC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: New Castle

Education: B.S. Urban Affairs, Boston University
Prior Civic Service: New Castle Airport Advisory Committee, CPTA STEM Fest Committee Co-Chair, Westorchard PTA Literacy Committee Chair, Westorchard PTA Cultural Enrichment Committee, Westorchard Class Parent, Seven Bridges PTA Nutrition Committee, Seven Bridges PTA Career Day Committee

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/UniteNewCastleNY>

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: We're facing an inflection point as we embark on the most significant rezoning and subsequent development the town has ever undertaken. As a real estate professional, I recognize the FBC will result in development out of scale with our hamlets, with major impacts on commercial districts, schools, infrastructure and taxes. I'll work with stakeholders to streamline revitalization, ensuring every project has the right mix of uses, design & affordability to realize a cohesive vision for New Castle.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Housing diversity is essential to a thriving community but doesn't require a form-based code. Under existing zoning, we've delivered 60 units of affordable & attainable housing in the past 3 years. After 20 years in real estate, I will work with developers to optimize development of affordable units. I'm creating models for mixed-income communities as HUD reimagines affordable housing. I'll bring these solutions to our town to ensure affordable housing is done well & in scale with our hamlets.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: A resilient New Castle should be at the forefront of our efforts, adapting to our changing climate, protecting residents and infrastructure, and reducing our carbon footprint. Sustainability has

been a cornerstone of my career and I've participated in pioneering projects such as the world's largest solar-powered community & NY's first LEED Platinum office tower, with a current focus on energy transformation and emissions reduction in commercial real estate. I see many opportunities for NC to drive climate resilience to extreme weather with innovative approaches to preparedness, response & recovery using grants such as FEMA BRIC Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities to harden our infrastructure and protect against flooding & power outages. Our town is on the precipice of major development, & since buildings contribute nearly 40% of greenhouse gases, we should consider decarbonization initiatives, emissions reduction mandates for future development, & incentives for retrofits.

Lori Morton



Party: Dem, 4NC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Chappaqua, NY

Current Political Office: New Castle Town Councilmember

Education: Ph.D. in Genetics and Molecular Biology

Prior Civic Service: New Castle Town Board Member, Board liaison to: Conservation, Sustainability and Beautification boards, & Climate Smart Communities task force, Westchester County Laboratories and Research Board of Managers, Chappaqua Children's Book Festival Board, Chappaqua PTA STEM Committee Chair, Up2Us, Board of Directors, New Castle Democratic Committee, District Leader, New Castle Master Plan, Housing Committee, 2017 Westchester Heart Walk Executive Director, Community STEM Outreach volunteer

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Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/dems4newcastle2021/>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My current and future town board service is focused on: 1. helping us arrive at a revised Form Based Code zoning legislation that incorporates our robust public input, while making progress after years of work on this issue. 2. Working to enhance collaboration and investment in areas of recreation, conservation and sustainability. 3. Funding and implementation of Equity and Inclusion initiatives. Every resident, visitor and worker in New Castle should feel valued and safe in our community.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: New Castle needs expanded housing diversity for many potential members of our community not served by our existing options. We need housing to accommodate residents at all stages of life to keep our talented "newly flown" young people, empty nesters, two-household families, as well as afford-

able and workforce housing options to support those that want to live AND work in New Castle. Evolving our hamlet zoning is key to achieving a more diverse, vibrant community and viable local businesses.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I believe New Castle can be proactive on climate change and resiliency in many ways, but I have three priorities. First, New Castle can be more “Storm Resilient” by pursuing green solutions to stormwater management: preservation and restoration of wetlands and green space is essential for storm safety as well as watershed protection. Secondly, New Castle can improve the access to information and tools for residents and property owners on storm preparedness and flooding recovery, as well as individual actions for watershed resiliency. Third, New Castle is pursuing “Bronze” Certification as a Climate smart community, and can easily go for Silver, even Gold by pursuing the full portfolio of approaches to municipal and community waste management, conservation, walkability, energy efficiency green building code implementation and green technologies. These measures pay dividends back to the community in both grants and cost efficiency, as well as environmental quality and beauty.

Michael Weinberg



Party: Dem, 4NC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Millwood-New Castle

Education: B.S.- University of Minnesota; M.B.A.- George Washington University

Prior Civic Service: Board Member of Chappaqua/Millwood Chamber of Commerce; Millwood/West End Advisory Board; Democratic District Leader and Democratic Activist

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Twitter: twitter.com/mikedeinberg

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: The theme of my campaign is Think Globally and Act Locally. So the approach is to find ways where we as a town can be part of the solution for the larger issues of the day. Finding ways to reduce our use of fossil fuels that contribute to the climate emergency, adding rental housing in our hamlet to contribute to solving the county’s housing crisis, focusing on ways for the town to be more inclusive and welcoming to all given the history of systemic racism. Be open and seek creative solutions.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: I am in favor of rezoning the North Greeley corridor (only about 3 blocks) to allow for property owners to build multi-family housing that will include at least 10% affordable units. This will vastly improve that portion of the hamlet and increase its economic vitality of the community and diversify our housing stock. The zoning code will

have limits and rules as to what is allowed but will provide owners the ability to help us to revitalize the town in a reasonable time frame.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: The town should continue to implement green building codes. We should be moving wherever possible to renewable forms of energy and reducing usage where feasible. We should look to install solar and other renewables on town facilities and land. Most importantly we need to preserve open space and concentrate our growth in our hamlets including purchasing undeveloped land which can be saved from development and made into parkland.

New Castle Town Justice

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$30,640

Candidates (choose 1):

Noah D Sorkin

Party: Dem

New Castle Town Council (Unexpired term)

2 years left in term

Salary: \$10,250

Candidates (choose 1):

Jennifer Bounds



Party: Dem, 4NC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: New Castle

Education: University of Chicago BA Public Policy NYU MBA

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/jen4newcastle>

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: My approach to solving problems is to define the issue, seek input from stakeholders, and information regarding best practices. Then, draft a plan and continuously assess the success of the plan and adopt it to new inputs and changing circumstances. It’s important to move forward balancing progress with community input. We must move forward to meet the challenges of today, and become more resilient to meet an ever more uncertain tomorrow.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: New Castle has a responsibility to expand fair and affordable housing. The best way to do this is to pass zoning reform in the hamlet, with a floor, not a ceiling, set on the percentage of affordable housing required in new construction. Zoning reform also will make it more economically viable to build in our hamlet and will create an environment that will attract vibrant businesses. We should also

built new construction that has a better carbon footprint than what it replaced.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: We can do a lot to tackle environmental threats on a municipal level. We can do an energy audit of town owned buildings and convert town owned vehicles to electric to reduce our CO2 emissions. In addition, we can restore our green spaces to make them more resilient. Our wetlands can be better buffers and sequester carbon to better respond to storms that are only going to increase in intensity and severity. We are about to pass NY-SERDA stretch building codes which will mean that new construction will be even greener. We have to tackle climate change on multiple fronts.

Victoria Bayard Tipp



Party: UNC

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Chappaqua, NY

Education: J.D., Harvard Law School; B.A., Barnard College

Prior Civic Service: President of Chappaqua Board of Education; 10 year Trustee, elected 4 times to Chappaqua Board of Education; President of Westchester Putnam School Boards Association representing 54 school districts; Advocacy Chair, WPSBA; Lower Hudson Education Coalition Steering Cttee representing 4 counties/77 school districts; President, Chappaqua PTA; Board of Dir, League of Women Voters of New Castle; Board of Dir, Chappaqua Orchestra; Chair of Grafflin, Bell, District PTA Cultural Enrichment Committees.

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/UniteNewCastleNY>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: 1) Revitalize hamlets through authentic stakeholder collaboration to create a shared vision for vibrant community spaces, prioritize resident needs, & achieve environmentally & fiscally sustainable innovative development in scale with our infrastructure. 2) Protection of open spaces, parks & sanctuaries. 3) Advocacy to mitigate airport noise & pollution. 4) Collaboration with school district. 5) Respectful & responsive leadership that values inclusion & meaningful engagement of diverse groups.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: I support housing diversity to foster a healthy multigenerational inclusive community by providing affordable, workforce & senior housing. Over 60 such housing units were built in the last 3 years under current zoning, with no need for a high-density Form Based Code. We can integrate in-scale housing options that build community, value inclusion & diversity, foster a sense of belonging & social connection for all residents, while preserving our town's historic character & sense of place.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: It is essential to include environmental threats and climate change in analyzing impacts of new developments, as illustrated by recent flooding of hamlet despite extensive flood mitigation work. I would seek innovative solutions to downtown revitalization with streetscapes featuring open-air green designs prioritizing human health, clean air, and recreation, rather than high density overdevelopment; promote spaces that encourage walking in downtown hamlet; increase walkability of neighborhoods with sidewalks wherever economically and structurally feasible; lower greenhouse gas emissions & reduce dependence on fossil fuels by promoting & investing in green building technologies & investigating possibilities for geothermal and solar energy solutions; support the Westchester Power program providing 100% renewable energy & other Sustainability & Conservation Board recommendations; support the Town Climate Action Plan and ensure we stay at forefront of NYS Climate Smart Community goals.

Town of North Castle

North Castle Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$50,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Michael J. Schiliro



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: North Castle

Education: BS, Economics SUNY Albany

Prior Civic Service: Town Councilman, Co-Founder North Castle Citizen Corps Council, North Castle Middle Income Housing Board, St. Patrick's Church, Youth Coach - Softball, Baseball, and Basketball, Board Member - Business Council of Westchester, Volunteer - Friends of the North Castle Library, Volunteer - Grace Community Church.

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North Castle Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$18,136

Candidates (choose 2):

Barbara W DiGiacinto

Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: North Castle

Education: Pace University, B.A. English Manhattanville College, Humanities

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: 1. Budget- Ever since I was elected to the Town Board, I and my colleagues have successfully held expenditures below the state tax cap. The budget process is an annual balancing act. We must balance the needs of our residents for paving roads, providing safe municipal water and sewer, carry-

ing out quality library and recreational programs, etc., with formulating an annual budget that holds tax increases to a bare minimum.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: While I support additional AFFH, it is critical that our town not ignore our local zoning code which takes into account environmental issues, infrastructure (municipal water and sewer), off street parking, setbacks to protect a neighborhood's character, etc. One of the most important pieces of legislation passed by the NCTB when I was first elected was one supporting and prompting AFFH. North Castle Supervisor. Michael Schiliro publicly thanked me for pushing this initiative.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: We belong to East of Hudson Watershed. We have begun to replace Town vehicles w/ hybrid & electric vehicles and passed legislation to encourage solar panels for commercial & residential properties. One corporation in town installed a solar field to supply energy to their corporate office. Years ago we established a Conservation Board that serves as a 'watchdog' for all residential and commercial projects. North Castle over the years has significantly increased its mandatory weekly recycling curbside pick up due to a concerted effort on the Town's part.

Matthew J Milim

Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Armonk, North Castle

Education: Cornell University, With Honors, Class of 2003

Prior Civic Service: Volunteer in several organizations

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: I am a political outsider who can provide a fresh perspective and help the make better decisions for our residents. I believe I can help the Town by breaking up the voting block (my two opponents vote in lock-step on every issue), making better decisions on real estate development, focusing on the environment and improving quality of life. Given what we pay in taxes, we should expect more from our local government.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: It's important to provide a reasonable amount of affordable housing when we approve new development projects. However, I think that the priority for these new affordable housing units should go to existing residents or those that already have strong ties within the community.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Water pollution is a major issue in our town. The current board has allowed the town to stockpile giant piles of toxic asphalt millings and organic waste for more than 6 years in environmentally sensitive areas. This is a horrible risk/reward decision, helped along by support from my two opponents. On 9/9/21, I spoke at the Town Board Meeting against this practice and the importance of making better decisions on a forward looking basis. We need to treat our town the same way we would treat our own property. I would not stock-

pile asphalt millings on top of my water well, therefore I would not stand for milling storage near water sources in other parts of our town.

Barry S Reiter

Party: Dem

North Castle Town Justice

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$30,640

Candidates (choose 1):

Douglas J Martino

Party: Rep, Con

Ira M Schulman

Party: Dem

Town of North Salem

North Salem Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$91,188

Candidates (choose 1):

Warren J. Lucas



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: North Salem, NY

Current Political Office: Supervisor

Education: BS Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Prior Civic Service: 31 years Town Board, President of the Westchester Putnam Association of Town Supervisors, Executive Board of the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation, Executive Board of Sustainable Westchester, Executive Board and Former President of the Westchester Municipal Officials Association 2 years ZBA, WMOA Legislation Committee and former Chair, 2 years Library Board, Board member President of Bloomerside Coop, Board of Directors Kennedy Catholic High School.

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Working together with the rest of the Town Board to make North Salem a wonderful place to live. That includes dealing with all constituent issues and problem, improving Town infrastructure and investing in areas of Town that need help and support. I have in the past been on Town Boards that been divisive. My goal is to be inclusive and treat everyone the way I would wish to be treated. To that end I appreciate everyone's input and work to make the Town a better place to live.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: The Town has done its job to meet the recent affordable housing needs as outlined by HUD. North Salem alone built 8.5% of HUD required Affordable housing needs in the recent County lawsuit. The Affordable Housing Moderator Jim Johnson

gave North Salem the highest rating of any municipality in Westchester County for its support of the HUD's affordable housing targets. North Salem's zoning is one of the few allowing accessory apartments in all zoning districts as of right.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I am endorsed by the NYLCV in 2021. North Salem is a Climate Smart Community and have ongoing programs in Pace Financing, Community Choice Aggregation for renewable electricity. We passed resolutions supporting the Unified Solar Permitting, we just passed resolutions for using the new NYS Stretch code as North Salem's Building Code. We just finished our green house gas mapping and energy utilization of our buildings. The Town has replaced all streetlights with LED lighting that includes both NYSE&G lights and Town owned lights. We have also focused on Peach lake restoring water quality over a number of years with new sewer systems, specialized catch basins to trap Phosphorus loading and worked with NYS on new Alum treatments to lock Phosphorus into the sediment. The Town also has municipal garbage pickup which allows us to monitor recycling. Over the past years the Town has received accolades from Westchester County as having the highest recycling rate of any community.

North Salem Town Council

Term: 4 years Salary: \$17,051

Candidates (choose 2): Martin C. Aronchick



Party: Dem, BR

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: North Salem

Education: Rutgers College, B.A.; Rutgers Law School, J.D.

Prior Civic Service: Town Councilman; Volunteer Fireman; Volunteer EMT; Trustee/past president Historical Society; Member, Town Comprehensive Plan Committee; Member, Town Open Space Committee; Ass't Scout Master Troop #1; Member, North Salem Lion's Club

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: One of the biggest challenges facing North Salem is protection of its rural character and open spaces. We must protect North Salem from over development, while keeping taxes down and property values up. My knowledge of the Town's affairs from my Town Board service and my knowledge of the sentiments of local residents from my participation in local civic groups makes me an effective advocate to accomplish these goals.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Every Town should do its fair share to support affordable housing, and the Town has done so. The monitor from the affordable housing lawsuit against the County gave North Salem the highest rating of any municipality in Westchester County for its support of HUD's affordable housing tar-

gets. Moreover, North Salem's zoning is one of the few allowing accessory apartments in all zoning districts as of right.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: The Town is a Climate Smart Community and has adopted programs for Pace Financing and Community Choice Aggregation for renewable electricity. We passed resolutions supporting Unified Solar Permitting and adopting the new NYS Stretch code as North Salem's Building Code. We just finished our greenhouse gas mapping and energy utilization of Town buildings. The Town has replaced all streetlights with LED lighting. We have restored water quality for the Peach lake communities, with new sewer systems, specialized catch basins to trap phosphorus, and alum treatments to lock phosphorus into the sediment. The Town also has municipal garbage pickup, which allows us to promote and monitor recycling. Over the past years the Town has received accolades from Westchester County as having the highest recycling rate of any community.

Peter Kamenstein



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: North Salem NY

Education: BS. Stanford University

Prior Civic Service: Chairman, North Salem Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman, North Salem Board of Ethics

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Helping to maintain the very special and welcoming character of our Town, and, at the same time, controlling expenses, in order to control our taxes.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Our Town built 8.5% of the Westchester County's affordable housing needs mandated by the federal lawsuit against the County, and received the highest rating of any municipality in Westchester County for its support of HUD's affordable housing targets.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: The Town just adopted the NYS Stretch Code, and is a Climate Smart Community. the Town has replaced its street lighting with LED lighting, and has worked diligently to restore the water quality of Peach Lake. Furthermore, the Town has been recognized by Westchester County as having one of the highest recycling rates of any Town in Westchester.

North Salem Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years Salary: \$76,955

Candidates (choose 1):

Karen A Roach

Party: Dem, BR

North Salem Superintendent of Highways

Term: 4 years Salary: \$129,394

Candidates (choose 1):

Ward R. Hanaburgh

Party: Rep, Con

Town of Ossining

Ossining Supervisor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$76,477

Candidates (choose 1):

Dana Levenberg



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Ossining

Current Political Office: Town Supervisor

Education: B.A. International Relations, Brown University

Prior Civic Service: Ossining Board of Education Trustee 2006-2015 Chief of Staff Assemblywoman Sandy Galef 2008-16

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Questions:

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Being a successful Town Supervisor demands a holistic approach to governance. My focus every day is on managing the Town budgets, directing our staff, and working toward a vision of an equitable and healthy community in all senses of the word: economically, environmentally, physically and mentally. I am grateful to the people of Ossining who have trusted in me to steer the ship for the last six years, including through this very tough year+ during a worldwide pandemic.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: We know we have a housing shortage in Westchester County and that it is costly to live here. We must provide safe, affordable, fair housing. We have been able to add affordable housing to the Town over the past few years through our 10% set-aside/60% AMI, and by allowing an expansion of accessory apartments. It is also emerging as an objective of our new comprehensive plan.

Ossining Town Council

Term: 4 years Salary: \$11,507

Candidates (choose 2):

Gabrielle E Hamilton

Party: Dem

Angelo A Manicchio

Party: Dem

Ossining Superintendent of Highways

Term: 2 years Salary: \$85,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Peter J. Connolly

Party: Dem

Ossining Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years Salary: \$95,725

Candidates (choose 1):

Holly G. Perlowitz

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Ossining

Education: MBA - Finance, Fairleigh Dickinson University BS - Accounting, St. Thomas Aquinas College NYS Certified Public Accountant

Prior Civic Service: Treasurer, Interfaith Council for Action Treasurer, Ossining Micro Fund

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The most important issues facing the Tax Office is to provide reliable, courteous and accurate information to our taxpayers, real estate brokers and tax searching agencies. Over the past five years as the Tax Receiver, I have worked very hard to assure that our taxpayers feel welcomed, get the answers to their questions and are heard and cared about in our office by instilling quick and thorough response time with an upbeat attitude by those responding to them.

Village of Ossining

Ossining Village Trustee

Term: 2 years Salary: \$12,000

Candidates (choose 2):

Robert M. Fritsche

Party: Dem

Omar Lopez

Party: Dem

City of Peekskill

Peekskill Mayor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$18,224.00

Candidates (choose 1):

Conor A. Greene

Party: WF

Vivian C. McKenzie



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: City of Peekskill
Education: B.S. Business Management State University New York at Binghamton
Prior Civic Service: Business Improvement District Board Member Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber Commerce - Board Member Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc
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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: No matter what the issue, it is important to collect data on the issue, plan on how to address the issue and communicate with the public to hear their voice and include them in the process.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Our community needs more fair and affordable housing. I have worked to launch the biggest affordable housing investment in decades in our community, with hundreds of new units coming online, as well as mixed-use and market rate housing for the middle class to ensure balanced growth. We are currently working on an affordable housing ordinance to ensure that developers include affordable units in their developments.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: We are very aware and concerned about the environment and climate change. We have just passed a tree ordinance and are working on the Climate Smart Designation. While we have completed many steps toward the designation we have work to do and I support getting this done. In addition we have reduced our carbon foot print in all municipal buildings and encourage builders to include renewable energy products in their construction.

Emiliano D. Perez

Party: Rep, Con

Peekskill City Council

Term: 4 years Salary: \$12,162

Candidates (choose 3):

Vanessa B. Agudelo

Party: WF

Leesther C. Brown

Party: Rep, Con

Dwight H. Douglas

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Peekskill

Education: Masters degree, Columbia's Teachers College

Prior Civic Service: Planning Director Peekskill Planning Department; Sleepy Hollow Village Administrator, Peekskill Housing Authority Commissioner; Westchester County Planning Board member; Westchester County Housing Opportunities Commissioner; Executive Director Port Chester and New Rochelle Industrial Development Agency; Village Planner for Dobbs Ferry

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Dealing with the fallout from Covid-19 is still the most important issue to be addressed going

in to 2022. It is vital that all efforts be made to ensure that all are vaccinated. The City's role in this regard involves intensified outreach to those least likely to seek the vaccine, support to the businesses that our struggling to continue in the form of relaxed parking and other regulations and the provision of low interest loans and grants, and assistance to landlords and tenants.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Peekskill is a top provider of affordable housing in Westchester County. Currently, one 51 unit project is renting up to seniors, an 81 unit development is under construction and a 231 unit project is in the pipeline. We don't talk about it, we build it. Further, a draft affordable housing ordinance will be referred to the Planning Commission on Sept 27. On a per capita basis, no one has done more. To provide a balance, we will need to promote and develop market rate housing also.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The climate has changed, and for the worse. We are past the point of preventing it and now must make best efforts to mitigate its impact. Peekskill is committed to doing its part. This includes clean energy efforts - solarize Peekskill and community solar projects; it includes "green" initiatives for new construction projects and requiring LEED certification. It involves tree preservation - a draft ordinance under review - and community gardens, monarch butterfly pathways, planting a thousand trees, it involves food scrap composting in a pilot project and wind row composting of leaves now under study. Looking forward the City is contracting with a specialist to conduct a natural resources inventory which will help guide us in preserving and protecting the many special natural areas in the city. All this is a small set of solutions to a larger, world wide issue. We will do our part and push the larger region to do its part.

Ramon A. Fernandez



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: City of Peekskill

Kenneth C. Gilleo Jr

Party: Rep, Con

William J. Moran Jr

Party: Rep, Con

Amy F. Perlow

Party: WF

Robert R. Scott

Party: Dem

Amy J. Vele

Party: WF

Town of Pelham

Pelham Supervisor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$5,500

Candidates (choose 1):

Daniel W. McLaughlin

Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pelham, New York

Education: MBA in Financial Management BA in Mathematics

Prior Civic Service: Councilman Town Recreation Chairman

Facebook: <http://Fb.com/Pelhamstownleader-shipteam>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Getting things done quickly and efficiently.

Pelham Town Council

Term: 2 years Salary:

Candidates (choose 2):

Solange E Bitol-Hansen

Party: Dem, 108T

Kara M. McLoughlin

Party: Dem, 108T

Tade J. Reen

Party: Rep, CS

Raffella Szymanski

Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pelham New York

Education: Masters on Health Care Administration

Prior Civic Service: 18 years as a Town Councilwomen

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: providing the highest quality services to our town within in fiscal restraints

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: favorable

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Town endorsed solar energy program Village Waste Program

Pelham Town Clerk

Term: 2 years Salary: \$5,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Antoinette T. Clemente

Party: Rep, CS

Pelham Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years Salary: \$5,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Catherine Mazzaro

Party: Rep, CS

Village of Pelham

Village of Pelham Mayor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$5,000/year

Candidates (choose 1):

Chance W Mullen

Party: Dem

Village of Pelham Trustee

Candidates (choose 3):

Michael N. Carpenter

Party: Dem

Lisa N. Hill-Ries

Party: Dem

Donald Otondi

Party: Dem

Town of Pound Ridge

Pound Ridge Supervisor

Term: 2 years Salary: \$46,200

Candidates (choose 1):

Kevin C. Hansan



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pound Ridge, NY

Education: BS Mathematical Sciences

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Pound Ridge Town Council

Term: 4 years Salary: \$9,850

Candidates (choose 2):

Diane Briggs



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pound Ridge

Education: Cornell University, B.S.

Prior Civic Service: Councilwoman, Pound Ridge, elected Nov. 2017

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I aspire to fulfill my role as a town leader through collaboration and partnership. The voices of all residents should be welcome and incorporated into decisions that impact them and guide our community forward. While Pound Ridge has a rich history, and many of our residents have a wealth of knowledge and lived experience to be recognized and honored, we welcome new residents, perspectives, and ideas as we look to the future.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: The Town of Pound Ridge supports a Housing Board comprised of dedicated resident volunteers working to identify resident housing needs and potential solutions to fill those needs, qualify residents for affordable units, and make recommendations to the Town Board according to Town Code and Regulations.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Climate change feels like a grand concept and global in scale, yet individuals should consider actions at home and in their local communities, including Pound Ridge, that can make a real difference. Pound Ridge joined Sustainable Westchester in September 2015 and officially enrolled in the Westchester Power Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) renewable energy program in 2018. Pound Ridge enthusiastically supports the work of our robust volunteer-led groups such as our Climate Smart Task Force, our Conservation Board, and Energy Action Committee; through their efforts, the town documented improvements and upgrades to outdoor lighting, the creation of a food scrap collection facility, waste reduction in town buildings and at town events, and waste reduction education and outreach activities, including the Repair Café and Recycle Right. These initiatives and others have garnered Pound Ridge a Bronze Certified Climate Smart Community designation, one of 55 in NYS. The work continues.

Dan Paschkes

Party: Dem

Pound Ridge Town Justice

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$26,778

Candidates (choose 1):

Renee S. Motola

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pound Ridge, New York

Education: State University of New York at Binghamton BA 1985 St. John's Law School JD 1988

Q: *Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.*

A: I have had a long history of public service as an attorney in varied areas. I am looking forward to serving the Pound Ridge Community.

Pound Ridge Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$77,520

Candidates (choose 1):

Drifa A. Segal

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Pound Ridge

Education: Purchase College - State University of New York at Purchase BFA

Prior Civic Service: n/a

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: My approach is to meet the needs of Pound Ridge residents by ensuring timely and accurate

collection of our Town, County, and Special District taxes by leveraging the latest technology. I look forward to supporting the community.

City of Rye

Rye City Mayor

Term: 4 years **Salary:** None

Candidates (choose 1):

Joshua D. Cohn

Party: Dem, Rep, MRF

Danielle Tagger-Epstein



Party: WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye City

Education: Education 1994-1999 Bachelor's Degree in Theater, Arizona State University and Emerson College, Boston MA

Prior Civic Service: Former Rye City Council January 2016- Dec- 2019 Democratic District Leader 2015-present Rye Rotary Member -2017-present Co-Founder / Member of pRYEd Advocacy group 2020- present

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: We need transparent and respectful decision making, that brings the public into the process. There is no area where this is more important than land use and flood mitigation. These decisions affect the value of everyone's home and our community. We must update our master plan which is over 35 years old. It is critical to the resilience of our city, providing a road map to enhance quality of life and manage growth, while protecting the city's dwindling open spaces.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: There is very limited space readily available in our community, therefore we must look to the Master plan and seek opportunity when possible to create a community that is more equitable.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Currently the city has none - As we just saw in this last storm our high-risk neighborhoods and residents have not been protected from the storms as more flooding and outages will continue to occur, leaving seniors and those with less access more vulnerable. Emergency Management Planning has been neglected, ignoring both risks to our city and the environment. We must update our Master Plan and zoning plans to address our Climate Crisis. We must look at zoning laws to make it easier to apply for solar panels permits and implement other Green initiatives in new developments. More broadly, we must be engaged in environmental issues that are so important to Rye residents - open space, flooding, water quality, recycling, and food waste composting. Rye has great parks and natural areas that we must protect and preserve.

Rye City Council

Term: 4 years Salary: None

Candidates (choose 3):

William T. Henderson



Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye, NY

Education: Bachelor of Science, Major in Accounting - Fairfield University; Juris Doctor, Georgetown University Law Center

Prior Civic Service: Federal Prosecutor, US Dept of Justice, Fraud Section; Rye City School District Audit Committee; Rye Little League

Campaign Web Site: <http://www.henderson4rye.com>

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The most important issues facing Rye include:
- Finding solutions to prevent and mitigate future flooding of Blind Brook - Keeping tax increases to a minimum - Preserving and sustaining our environment and greenspace - Keeping our welcoming community safe and beautiful for our children and families My approach will be solutions-orientated and I will work respectfully and collaboratively with my fellow council members. All decisions should be made based on what is best for the Rye community.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Rye is overall a wealthy community but is also blessed to be a diverse community with a great variety of housing stock, including recently built affordable housing units. Further increasing the density of our community is not consistent with both keeping our city and school taxes down and meeting our environmental challenges with systemic flood mitigation being our highest priority.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I am a proponent of solving Rye City's Blind Brook flooding problem. I am also supportive of the Master Planning process that will include a review of our building codes and environmental regulations to address environmental threats and climate change.

Julie Neenan Souza



Party: Dem, Rep

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye, NY

Education: B.A., University of Michigan MBA, Harvard Business School

Prior Civic Service: City Councilmember (2017-current) Co-President, Midland PTO (2020 - current) Rye Girls Softball Coach (2015 - present) Board of Directors, Carver Center (2016-2018)

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: As was the case four years ago when I first ran for local office, I believe that respectful, thoughtful, fact-based and reasoned governance is essential to making difficult and complex decisions. Protecting and investing in our city--from infrastructure to policy--is of tantamount importance. In the implementation of solutions, we must be environmentally protective, fiscally responsible and future-minded.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I welcome affordable housing solutions, as I believe it increase the accessibility and diversity of our city. High real-estate costs and little undeveloped property present challenges in our small city but I hope to see opportunities to increase the supply of fair and affordable housing.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Rye has instituted many programs focused on mitigating the effects of climate change and threats to our environment (e.g., gave residents a green power provider, made available clean energy financing program, restored Tree City USA status, instituted food scrap recycling, etc.). We will continue to focus on what we can do to support, sustain and improve the environment, In particular, are looking for energy efficient and environmentally responsible options in our current slate of infrastructure projects (solar panels on new buildings, etc.).

Benjamin Stacks



Party: Dem, Rep

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye, New York

Education: B.A.; M.B.A.

Prior Civic Service: Rye City Council 2017-current

Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My approach to the most important issues facing my office are consensus building among my constituents and fellow council members; listening to residents' concerns and acting on them, and driving solutions based on what is best for Rye.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: My position is that to the extent practicable, we should try to foster an environment where fair and affordable housing is available to people who want to live in Rye. Often, the cost of real estate in Rye, without strong intervention by the City in the form of substantial tax breaks to affordable housing developers, makes the development of truly affordable housing cost-prohibitive.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: This Council accepted, in 2018 just before its expiration, a \$3.0mm NY Rising grant that the previous Council and Mayor let languish. In light of recent events, we will be seeking federal, state, and local assistance to help Rye re-think its approach to environmental threats and climate change. One thing we know for sure - our flooding problems in Rye are not ours alone as we sit at the bottom of a watershed that includes many other local municipalities including the County. Our task going forward will be to help coordinate a response among all of those parties to arrive at the best solution possible for Rye residents.

Lisa K. Tannenbaum



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye

Education: BA - Carnegie Mellon University
MBA - The Kellogg School, Northwestern University

Prior Civic Service: Co-managed White Plains Hillary for America Office Initiated and executed Police/Fire/EMS appreciation week 2020 in Rye Recognized by the City of Mt. Vernon for volunteer work with Life Progressive Services Rye City Democratic Committee District Leader

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Rye has tremendous assets, a generous community, a vibrant downtown, beautiful parks, a magnificent waterfront and incredible non-profits. Yet Rye faces significant challenges such as flooding, infrastructure, traffic and development. These challenges require cooperation and support from our neighbors such as the Town of Rye and the county, state and federal governments. My approach will be to collaborate with our neighbors and all levels of government to achieve the best outcomes for Rye.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Rye is unique suburban community; our heritage as a summer community we have homes that are much smaller than found elsewhere, which enabled middle earners to live in Rye. As these homes are torn down and larger homes built Rye has become increasingly less economically diverse, out of reach for middle earners and unaffordable to most. We must find a way to manage over-development while providing new housing opportunities and preserving smaller homes, to return economic diversity to Rye.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: We have to retrofit our infrastructure to deal with our current weather realities while reducing more deterioration to our environment. Both New York State and Westchester County have wonderful programs Rye can participate in to help our community convert to clean energy and adapt to the realities of climate change. Rye should adopt the New York State Unified Solar Permit to facilitate the installation of solar energy for our residents. Rye should also participate in initiatives such as the Solarize/Community Solar program offered by Sustainable Westchester. The county has also made it financially lucrative for municipalities to increase food scrap programs, we can expand our food scrap collection program to take advantage of the incentive. Trees are essential to our environment, Rye needs a better tree management program to protect our trees. Diseased and dead trees have to be monitored and removed while removal of healthy trees should be limited. A trained forester should decide.

Rye City Council (unexpired term)

Description: Two years remaining in term

Candidates (choose 1):

Joshua Nathan



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye City, New York, NY 10580

Education: JD Cornell Law School AB Vassar College

Prior Civic Service: -Rye City Board of Education 2003-2012. 3 terms as president, 2 terms as vice president, chair of the following: Audit Committee, Collective Bargaining Negotiating Team, Management Team, Policy Committee, Architect Search Committee, Senior Administrator Search Committee. -Governor's Office of Storm Recovery NY Rising Community Reconstruction Rye Planning Committee 2012-2014. -Coached Rye Little League and Rye Youth Soccer -Volunteer practice interviewer Rye HS -Career panelist Rye Youth Council

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Listening and collaboration across the community is the best approach to infrastructure, storm resilience, fiscal/budget, zoning, and environmental sustainability matters, as well as the unexpected, which is always part of our governing reality. This is how I served our community on the Rye City School Board (9 years), 3 terms as president. My service was distinguished by good governance, tax-cap compliant budgets before there even was a tax cap, and meeting our program and infrastructure needs.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: There have been opportunities to support fair and affordable housing in Rye, and when I was on the Rye School Board I did so. Housing costs in Rye are largely driven by the marketplace and the state of diversity has roots in American/Westchester history. No one should be prevented from living in Rye because of bias. Nor should our seniors, our young adults, nor people who work in Rye be forced out of our community. We need to consider this in our planning and in looking at development proposals.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Yes, 18+ projects. In the wake of Super Storm Sandy and Hurricane Irene, I was appointed to the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery NY Rising Community Reconstruction Planning Committee for Rye. With experts in the field and input from the community, we developed 18 projects to improve storm resilience and flood mitigation in Rye. We were awarded a multimillion-dollar federal

grant to implement several of those projects and they are underway. A key reason I am running for City Council is to make sure Rye gets what it needs to protect our people, homes, businesses and non-profits and our public and private property from storms and flooding. We need to follow through on those 18 projects and we need to keep assessing what else can be done. I will continue to advocate for Rye by working with our federal, state, and county officials and with our neighboring communities. I will work to ensure that we prioritize storm resilience and flood mitigation in all of our infrastructure and planning.

Jana B Seitz



Party: Rep

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye, New York

Education: BA Southern Methodist University

Prior Civic Service: President Edith Read Wildlife Sanctuary, VP Rye Free Reading Room, member Deer Management Committee Rye City, member Playland Advisory Committee

Campaign Web Site: <http://www.JANA4RYE.com>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: GRASSROOTS and FLOODING! I will approach all issues from the bottom up by listening to Rye residents' concerns and ideas, connecting dots, putting people together to create solutions and staying on task through implementation. I don't believe governance at this level should be dictated by top down ideology. It should be BY THE PEOPLE FOR THE PEOPLE at the local level. FLOODING effects everyone in Rye and our neighboring communities. We need a team solution NOW: city, county, state, federal.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Rye used to be home to "the butcher, baker, candlestick maker" with appropriately sized, affordable homes for all. The trend of razing these to build McMansions should be addressed to curb loss of neighborhood, permeable surfaces, trees, affordable housing. Rye has worked very hard with Westchester County to affirmatively advance affordable housing in our community and comply with all terms of the consent decree. We must be cognizant of the impact of any type of development on all Rye citizens.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Every Little Bit Helps. As president of the Friends of Read, I feel I do my "every little" by taking care of a beautiful public Westchester County-owned green space in Rye, open daily to all. Stewardship of land is imperative. If I am elected to City Council, I will push the continual process of a current Master Plan towards completion, addressing these elements from the point of view of 2021 Rye. And will advocate for regular brook cleanups, harbor dredging, no blanket tree cutting, awareness of impervious coverage and education on how ITS ALL CONNECTED to maintain a sustainable, responsible, enjoyable and beautiful city which tries its best to mitigate the flooding that has and will occur in our watershed flood plain.

Town of Rye

Rye Town Council

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$4,000

Candidates (choose 2):

Jill R Axelrod

Party: Dem

Thomas F Nardi

Party: Dem

Rye Town Justice

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$40,900

Candidates (choose 3):

Jose Castaneda

Party: Dem

Max Di Fabio

Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Rye Town

Education: JD - Pace University School of Law & a BA in History - Western Connecticut State University

Prior Civic Service: American, NYS, Connecticut, Westchester County Bar Associations. Member Antonio Meucci Lodge, Order of Sons of Italy, White Plains. Proudly served in the United States Army in the 82nd Airborne Division as a Helicopter Crew Chief / Paratrooper

Campaign Phone: (914) 471-6704

Q: *Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.*

A: As a partner in Di Fabio & Associates we represent clients in NY State, the State of Connecticut & Federal Courts in jury & bench trials. I'm currently the Village Prosecutor in the Village of Port Chester & a Judicial Hearing Officer for the County of Westchester. If elected I will treat all who appear in the Court with respect & dignity.

Jeffrey B. Rednick

Party: Dem

Peter F. Sisca



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Rye

Education: University of Connecticut – B.S. Business New York Law School – Juris Doctor

Prior Civic Service: Village of Port Chester, New York: 1989 to 1993, Corporation Counsel; 1993 to 1997, Acting Village Justice; 2001-2007 and 2011 to 2021, Village Justice. County Attorney's Office, Westchester County 1986 to 1989, Assistant County Attorney Family Court Bureau Litigation Bureau

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Q: Please state what you would like voters to know about your experience, accomplishments, philosophy.

A: As a Port Chester Village Justice for 20 years, I ensured that everyone who came before me received a full and fair opportunity to be heard in support or defense of their case. I treated each person with dignity and respect, regardless of social or economic status, race, national origin, gender, ability to speak the language, and whether or not they had an attorney. If I am elected to serve as a Rye Town Justice, I will continue to administer my duties and responsibilities in such a manner.

Rye Town Clerk

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$99,232

Candidates (choose 1):

Hope B. Vespia

Party: Dem

Town of Somers

Somers Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$109,233

Candidates (choose 1):

Stephanie J. Keegan



Party: Dem, SU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Somers, NY

Prior Civic Service: Veterans and Mental Health and a Addiction Services Advocate, Member of Sean Patrick Maloney's Veterans Advisory Board, Legislative Director of the Purple Heart Honor Mission

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Transparency and communication has been severely lacking in Somers Government. I will have open office hours several days a week, town hall meetings at least once a month, and a column in our weekly newspaper to update and inform residents about what has been happening and what is planned. I will also work closely with the Town Board on a master plan that will enhance the beauty of Somers while allowing for a more pedestrian, community event, and small business friendly environment.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: It is essential that our community be a place where our work force has an opportunity to find affordable housing! The folks who do the work that we cannot or will not do should be able to reap the benefits of life in the town that they have partici-

pated in improving. We must also do all that we can to make Somers a town that our children can afford to return to and that our parents and grandparents can live in in retirement.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Westchester Power Program provides a renewable energy option which is an important resource that we should take advantage of. We are currently aware of water contamination issues which have yet to be adequately addressed. Proactively addressing the known environmental threats we are facing, as well as looking ahead to build a variety of resources for the future is essential. As safety standards continue to change we must be equipped to quickly adjust. Opportunities for self sustaining facilities powered by solar, (starting with the power required for park facilities and town buildings), should be explored. Actions like development of a community composting resource will both lessen our waste disposal expenses and contribute to the soil enhancement materials required for town groundskeeping efforts, (specifically starting with the library property), and will provide opportunities for the community to participate in the development of our beautiful town.

Robert G. Scorrano



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Somers

Education: BA in Communications

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Somers is the lowest taxed town in Westchester County. Its our job to keep it that way to attract new residents to our historic town.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Somers has done an incredible job on affordable housing. During our Town Board meeting on July 8th, 2021, George Latimer praised Somers for their efforts in providing affordable housing throughout Somers.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: The Town Board of Somers chartered the Somers Energy Environment Committee to act as a conduit for the purpose of promoting and communicating environmentally sound and cost effective initiatives in order to reduce CO2 emissions and energy consumption while making effective use of relevant Town resources. Somers is going green!

Somers Town Council

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$12,612

Candidates (choose 2):

Anthony Cirieco



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Somers NY

Education: Manhattan College BS, Accounting
Iona College MBA Finance

Prior Civic Service: • Trustee, Board of Education, Somers Central School District: Primary mandate to educate Somers youth • Somers Partners in Prevention: Raising awareness of the hazards of substance abuse & risky behavior • Somers Community Council Mission: Bringing stakeholders together to identify and resolve community issues • Telecommunication Task Force: Advocating for reliable telecommunication Services

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: I believe a balanced approach to an affordable quality of life, smart growth, safety and security, and open communication with the Somers community have appeal to the voters. I have prioritized what is urgent, such as COVID19 safety policies which protect health & mitigate business impacts. This is done while preserving existing service levels, protecting the taxpayers interests by supporting lowest cost solutions, and grant based revenue program.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Over my tenure, Somers has distinguished affordable housing practice in Westchester County that has been recognized by the County Executive. The foundation of this program is part of our planning.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Somers is an environmentally aware community where I have supported open space initiatives, preserving hundreds of acres of land. Additional examples include solar projects at our schools, highway, and library buildings, LED street lighting programs that have stabilized and saved energy costs, upgrades to energy efficient cars, and the installation charging stations.

Margaret DiLorenzo



Party: Dem, SU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Town of Somers

Education: MS. Pratt Institute BS. Drexel University MCR. Master of Corporate Real Estate PMP. Project Management Professional LEED AP Design and Construction

Prior Civic Service: PTA Council & Special Ed PTA CBRE Advancement of DEI Democrat District Leader Volunteer Partners in Prevention Board of Elections Poll Worker Youth Shelter of Westchester SPCA of Westchester

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: Improved communication with residents prior to decision making will create greater transparency when town policy and initiatives are executed. Seek to be more responsive to the specific needs of residents through collaborative problem solving and soliciting different points of view.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Our town is making inroads; however we still need to supply more affordable housing for our young professionals, single parent families, veterans and seniors on fixed incomes. There are opportunities when new residential developments are approved. Somers needs workforce housing to support our healthcare workers, teachers, police & fire departments as well as residents in the building trades.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Somers has an existing Energy Environment Committee that addresses CO2 emissions and energy consumption. We have built community awareness through recycling and litter clean up days for multi-generational participation and stewardship. We are also assessing the demand for sidewalks, paved trails and bike lanes throughout Somers for recreational and environmental benefits.

William Faulker



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Somers

Education: Purdue University - Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration Fordham University - Master's in Business Administration Harvard University - Executive Training General Electric Company - Experienced Financial Leadership Program

Prior Civic Service: Vice President/Secretary-Somers Lions Club President/Treasurer/Trustee-Somers Education Foundation Board Member/Commissioner/Coach-American Youth Soccer Association (29 Consecutive Seasons) Captain-Meals on Wheels

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: It has been my honor and privilege to serve the great people of Somers, The Greatest Town on Earth, over the last eight years. My approach to every issue has been tied to my one and only Campaign Promise ... To Do the Right Thing Because it's the Right Thing. No matter how difficult it is keeping Somers the lowest taxed town in West-

chester, achieving a Triple A credit rating through responsible budgeting or enhancing our Citizens' Quality of Life, I will always Do the Right Thing for Somers.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Somers is a Model Community for so many reasons. Being Generous and Welcoming is one of them. When HUD mandated Westchester County create 750 affordable housing units, Somers provided over 150 or 20% of that total, even though Somers comprises only 2% of the County's population. We have and will continue to have opportunities to add affordable housing which is often made available to our Policemen, Firemen, First Responders and Educators.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Somers is a leading community in offering Greener and Renewable energy to our residents and businesses. Recently, our citizens were offered the option to buy electricity that was Greener than previous offerings or buy electricity from all renewable resources. Proudly, we achieved a win/win solution while preserving Consumer Choice.

Thomas A. Newman Jr.



Party: Dem, SU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Somers

Education: B.S. Marketing & Management, Siena College

Prior Civic Service: Town of Somers Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Trustees of the Somers Education Foundation, Somers Chamber of Commerce Member

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/Newman-ForSomers>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: There is an urgent need for choice and reliability in internet service providers. I will make this a top priority. We must also ensure that NYSEG continues to maintain and improve our power infrastructure. Our town center should be a pedestrian friendly space that develops a stronger sense of community while promoting the health and growth of our small businesses. We must work harder to deliver improvements by dramatically increasing our efforts and our competency in obtaining grant funding.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Affordable Housing is a critical resource for young adults, young families, and seniors, as well as our local workforce. I am committed to pursuing opportunities to create more affordable housing units so that our young adults can remain in Somers, so that we remain a vibrant and welcoming community for young families, and so that we can protect our seniors by providing them an option to remain in our community.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I strongly support the use of renewable energy and would extend that support to include Somers

participation in the renewable energy option of the Westchester Power Program. It is also critical that we address current water supply contamination issues and implement a long-term plan for ensuring clean water in Somers.

Somers Receiver of Taxes

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$61,949

Candidates (choose 1):

Michele A. McKearney



Party: Dem, Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Somers, New York

Education: Manhattan College, Double Major: Finance/Marketing

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Village of Tarrytown

Tarrytown Mayor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$4,800

Candidates (choose 1):

Karen Brown



Party: Dem, TU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown, NY

Education: BA, State University of New York (SUNY) Albany MBA, City University of New York (CUNY) Baruch College

Prior Civic Service: Karen started her involvement as a resident, petitioning the Village government to save open space. Having successfully campaigned for and passed an Open Space Bond referendum, Karen was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals where she served for 10 years. She was nominated to run for Tarrytown Trustee by both the Democratic Party and Tarrytown United Party in 2016 and has held that office for 5 years.

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: My top priorities will be to improve critical infrastructure, reduce congestion, and strengthen the local economy. We need to enhance quality of life for all residents and ensure that Tarrytown is ready for the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century I will bring pragmatic yet creative leader-

ship to the office of Mayor by listening intently to Village residents, volunteer boards, and Village Administration professionals, asking the right questions and building consensus on solutions.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: No one should have to leave our village because they can no longer afford to live here. I am committed to keeping village housing stock affordable for Tarrytown residents and their families, and will advocate for work-force and affordable housing that preserves the historic character and natural beauty of our village. All new housing must be developed with people and the environment as the highest priorities.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: The Village has sustained damage from stronger and more frequent hurricanes and rising water levels. We must ensure that our village is resilient and able to withstand the effects of climate change. I will support efforts to reduce Tarrytown's impact on the environment. I support programs that increase the sustainability of our community such as reliance on renewable energy, efforts to reduce waste, and increasing sustainable mobility. I will also ensure that our first responders have preparedness training and the tools that they will need to keep Tarrytown residents safe in times of weather related emergencies.

Paul Janos



Party: POV

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: Dehli College Culinary Institute of America

Prior Civic Service: Trustee Of Tarrytown Mayor Of Tarrytown

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Douglas Zollo



Party: VA

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: B.A. in Criminal Justice, St. John's University

Prior Civic Service: 18 years as Tarrytown Village Trustee, 30 years of service with the Midnight Run, Former President of the Development Board at Transfiguration School

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/VillageAlliance-100567458907106>

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Over-development and infrastructure repairs are two of the most significant challenges facing our Village today. When considering any development, I believe in taking a holistic approach that considers both quality of life and community benefit for Tarrytown residents. I will depend on a broad coalition of non-partisan individuals in order to make common sense, merit-based decisions on issues that come before the Village government.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Tarrytown currently has a policy of 10% of developments being affordable housing. I believe that this is a fair and equitable policy.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: The Village of Tarrytown has opted for all Village residents to be supplied by Westchester Power, a sustainable power program, unless residents specifically choose to opt out. Tarrytown has also taken measures to safeguard the environment by restricting the use of gas powered leaf blowers, closely monitoring tree pruning and removals, establishing a food scrap collection program and strongly encouraging recycling, instituting green building standards for new development, and purchasing/leasing electric vehicles when feasible. The Village of Tarrytown also has an Environmental Advisory Council in place.

Tarrytown Village Trustee

Term: 2 years **Salary:** \$2,400

Candidates (choose 3):

Peter Bartolacci



Party: VA

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: BSBA Accounting, Bucknell University

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: The most significant issue facing our Village is how to accommodate new development with existing infrastructure. Our community's roadways are at capacity and street traffic will likely increase with significant development in our neighboring community, Sleepy Hollow. Any future decisions on development for Tarrytown must carefully consider the benefit to Tarrytown residents and taxpayers versus the impacts on quality of life, scenic beauty, and character of our Village.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: I am in favor of maintaining Tarrytown's current policy of requiring 10% of new development units allotted to affordable housing. Having reviewed some research on Tarrytown's performance in this

regard, one of my priorities as a Trustee will be to inform our residents and taxpayers of Tarrytown's track record.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: In terms of environmental threats, my track record speaks for itself - I was heavily involved in a grass roots citizen-led campaign to remove the MTA cell tower which presented severe environmental risks to Franklin Court's residents and children playing at its playground, not to mention the blight it caused to Tarrytown's scenic environment. As a resident of Miller Park, I fought for many years for traffic calming measures in our neighborhood, resulting in speed humps being installed which drastically improved our living environment and safety. I was an active and vocal opponent of the proposed Station Area Overlay which would have permitted high rise/high density development to mar our scenic views throughout Tarrytown's station area and likely create additional congestion and pollution from vehicles stuck in traffic. I will gladly propose and/or endorse any new common sense practical solutions that can be implemented and monitored to reduce Tarrytown's carbon footprint.

Ida Doctor



Party: VA

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: BSN in Nursing from Cornell MA in Nursing Education from Teachers College, Columbia University

Prior Civic Service: Serve on board of Children's Dream Foundation. Volunteer at Support Connection (organization that provided support for women with hx of breast and ovarian cancer)

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: I would like to establish a relationship with Phelps Memorial Hospital, (Northwell) in attempts to explore ways we could enhance their services to our community with emphasis on those who are uninsured or need assistance navigating our health system. I believe there is a great opportunity to provide Wellness programs for our community, partnered with Phelps. I have worked in Health Care for most of my career and am very sensitive to the needs of our underserved population.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: My position is to provide fair and affordable housing. With the influx of many professionals from the city, there appears to be a push to provide high end homes and condominiums, my fear is that those who have lived in the town for many years are being squeezed out. I am proud of our diversity and feel that our diversity is what has made Tarrytown so desirable and a wonderful place to live. I appreciate that my daughters grew up in such a diverse community.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: *While I do not have any magic solution at this time, but my concerns with climate change which has caused the sea levels to continue rise and flooding along the Hudson River continues to become more frequent. Continued flooding also taxes our sewer system. With each of our last hurricanes, Irene, Sandy and now Ida, Tarrytown residents are experiencing more and more damage to their homes and environment. Climate change cannot be addressed piecemeal with individual towns taking independent measures. We need a comprehensive effort. This will be a major project, but climate change is impacting all of us and especially towns surrounded by water. Tarrytown also has major traffic and parking issues. Once Edge on Hudson is completed the traffic and parking issues will be worsened. We have to come up with solutions to ease both traffic and parking. Traffic to the Mario Cuomo bridge also adds to the traffic and this has affected our air quality.*

Stanley L. Friedlander

Party: POV

David Kim



Party: Dem, TU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: Cornell University, Bachelor of Architecture

Prior Civic Service: Tarrytown Zoning Board of Appeals Member, Tarrytown Comprehensive Plan Management Committee Member, Tarrytown Environmental Action Committee Member, Route 9 Active Transportation Conceptual Study Steering Committee Member (Tarrytown Representative), Route 119 Complete Street Design Plan Steering Committee Member (Tarrytown Representative)

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: My approach to every issue is to first to take stock of what we have already available to us and then look to creatively expand the possibilities through citizen engagement, tapping into the incredible depth of human capital here. One key issue is keeping property taxes low. We need to continue to be efficient while finding creative ways to expand revenue. We also must deal with the effects of climate change and figuring out ways to limit the damaging effects of frequent severe weather events.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: I want to enable housing options so that Tarrytown can meet the needs of residents at all stages of life. We lack options for our adult kids who are just starting out after finishing high school/college. It is essential to the fabric of Tarrytown that working families and retirees on fixed and limited

incomes continue to live here. We must increase supply through better use of existing buildings and parcels while respecting and preserving the historic character and natural beauty of Tarrytown.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I would build on previous initiatives to increase use of renewable energy (i.e. solar panels on Village Hall, electric vehicles in our village fleet) and energy efficiency in village buildings and systems (i.e. efficient street lights). I will continue my efforts for complete streets that make walking and biking safer options to get around the village that are simply enjoyable and saves energy. Finally, create more green spaces that serve to retain runoff and double as outdoor gathering places.

Rebecca N. McGovern



Party: Dem, TU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: BS in Education: St Thomas Aquinas College

Prior Civic Service: Member, Hillcrest Association. 1998 Woman of the Year of the Foundation for the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns. President, Sleepy Hollow Elementary Parent Teacher Association. President, Sleepy Hollow Parent Teacher Student Association. Board of Directors of Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center; 2009 Woman of the Year. Board of Directors of the Tarrytown Nursery School. AYSO soccer coach.

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: One of the most important issues facing Tarrytown is adapting to and navigating the Village through all that is coming our way- and that would be CHANGE! The Village government will need to guide our village and provide our residents the best answers and solutions to responsible development, traffic, economic and downtown development, climate change and keeping Village taxes in check.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Like all towns and villages in Westchester County, Tarrytown is well aware of the importance of maintaining and increasing our affordable housing opportunities. One way we do this is to require potential developers to allot a certain percentage of new housing to include affordable housing options.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Tarrytown has always made environmental and climate issues a top priority. This includes responses to current environmental issues as well as looking ahead to assure Tarrytown residents of safety now and in the future.

Terence Murphy



Party: VA

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: MBA Finance and Management B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Prior Civic Service: Volunteer Fire Department

Twitter: twitter.com/wmurfph

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Over the years development, debt, and overcrowding has caused a deterioration of the quality of life in small town living in the area. Resources are being stretched thin and residents are being burdened by enormous tax bills. A comprehensive examination needs to take place in order to rebalance the needs of residents and the ability of local governments and school districts to effectively and efficiently manage their obligations.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Supply and demand curves have resulted in disproportionately high housing prices in the area for many years. This leads to many being unable to afford adequate living arrangements in the area. Single family homes allow for small town qualities but does not affect supply enough to bring down prices. Large multi-unit developments increase density, need for resources, and create class divisions, but allow for affordable living. The community must determine how to accommodate both options.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Environmental protection is the key to a healthy future. Protection of natural resources, programs that promote efficient use of resources, and investment in education and technology that can help minimize impact of humans on the environment will ensure a lost lasting viable ecosystem for generations.

Effie G. Phillips-Staley



Party: Dem, TU

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: MA, Education, Teachers College/Columbia University (2012); MFA, Art Studio, UC Davis (1999); BA, Hon. Art History. UC Berkeley (1995)

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: In the last 16 years Tarrytown has flourished under Democratic leadership, making Forbes'

list as one of the ten prettiest towns in America. But there is more to be done. We must lower taxes while balancing the budget, increase affordable housing, and prepare for climate change. As trustee I will meet these challenges through collaborative, transparent governance that serves all: children, families, seniors, residents whose roots go back generations, our newest neighbors, and small businesses.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: The cost of housing in Tarrytown continues to rise, threatening to change our village by pricing out long-time residents, working families and seniors on fixed incomes. I am committed to implementing anti-displacement policies, and to increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing. Protecting the historic character of our village while ensuring that residents have access to reasonably priced housing is achievable through careful village design that prioritizes residents, not developers.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Tarrytown has moved towards climate-resiliency in many ways: by offering incentives to install solar panels, by purchasing electric vehicles for village use, and through recycling and food waste programs. But there is more to be done as climate change accelerates. I will work with county, state, and federal agencies to fund and implement critical infrastructure improvements and a climate action plan that will protect our village from the impact of extreme weather. There isn't a moment to lose.

Monica Reyes-Grajales



Party: POV

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Tarrytown

Education: Bachelor of Arts - New York University; Juris Doctorate - Brooklyn Law School

Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Tarrytown's government needs to reach out to the residents and businesses on a regular basis to see what they need and how our village government can help. Our goal is to provide an open and transparent government and develop better relationships with Tarrytown residents, the school districts and the neighboring villages.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: We believe in increasing affordable housing in a balanced and responsible manner.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Tarrytown is fortunate to have such beautiful natural resources. We need to care for and restore our lakes before it's too late. Dredging, stocking fish and basic lake management is needed now.

Mark Weinstein

Party: POV

City of White Plains

White Plains Mayor

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$167,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Thomas M. Roach Jr.

Party: Dem

White Plains City Common Council

Term: 4 years **Salary:** \$37,565

Candidates (choose 3):

Justin C. Brasch



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: White Plains, NY

Education: Hunter College High School Willams College, BA Oxford University Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Prior Civic Service: City of White Plains, Council Member and Youth Bureau Chair - 2017-Present White Plains, Planning Board - 2016-2017 Citizens Budget Committee, Westchester County - 2005-2016 White Plains Democratic Committee, District Leader - 2003-Present White Plains School Board Budget Committee - 2004-2005 Young Israel of White Plains, Vice Chair Security - 2015-Present NYS Democratic Committee, Member and Executive Committee - 1995-2003 White Plains/Greenburgh NAACP - 2017-Pres.

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Providing support and assistance to our youth during the COVID-19 Pandemic and recovery is a critical issue at this time. The Pandemic hurt our youth in many ways, as a Council Member and Chair of the White Plains Youth Bureau, I am always working to find ways to help. We are fighting food insecurity, making sure that our children receive a strong education, counseling and the support/programs that they need to thrive from our Youth Bureau and Department of Recreation and Parks.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: As a Council Member, I have worked tirelessly to expand affordable housing in White Plains. We have increased the amount of affordable housing that must be included in new multifamily construction and expanded the mandate Citywide. I have also worked to increase housing protections for the elderly and disabled. We are also rebuilding and expanding all of our public housing. We

clearly need more affordable housing for those that live and work in our City.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: White Plains is a leader in the fight against climate change and for sustainability. We replaced our street lights and the lighting in all municipal garages with energy efficient LED bulbs. White Plains is adding solar panels to the roofs of our garages, open spaces, etc. to reduce carbon emissions. We are finalizing a new ordinance to prohibit the use of gas-powered leaf blowers, to reduce pollutants and noise. Our city maintains a robust recycling program.

Allan I. Grafman



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Education: BA, Indiana University MA, Columbia University MBA, Columbia University

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: 1. Community validated zoning 2. Closer monitoring and supervision of cell towers in residential neighborhoods 3. Term limits for better community control 4. Diverse and inclusive Common Council membership, which in practice includes an end to one group control

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: White Plains is a leader among the Westchester communities. The issue has several components. A first is shelter for those who need it, in contrast to long term housing for selected income groups. The dynamics for the two are different. I favor decision making by individuals and a competitive market rather than government control. A mixture of all three - government, tax support, individual choice, and market responses to housing needs - yields the best outcomes for the most people.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Climate change is real and environmental threats are increasing. Local government can take steps to set an example and by mobilizing residents to influence state and national leaders on this issue.

John M. Martin



Party: Dem

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: White Plains

Education: BS Business Administration - Villanova University; JD Pace University School of Law

Prior Civic Service: Chair - Budget & Management Advisory Committee (current); Member - Urban Renewal Agency (current); Chair - 1997

Comprehensive Plan & 2006 Plan Update; Treasurer/Chair/Vice Chair Business Improvement District; Member and Chair - Board of Assessment Review; Founder & Chair St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee; President - Fisher Hill Association
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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: Clearly, the most urgent issue facing the City of White Plains is the City's financial condition post-covid. From March 2020 until mid-2021, our finances were battered by the lack of economic activity in the City. We were able to make critical decisions in cutting expenses that allowed us to maintain our excellent bond rating while maintaining city services without interruption. Although economic activity has returned, so have variations of covid so we must remain vigilant as to expenses!

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: My position on fair and affordable housing is quite clear. During my time as a Councilman I have fully supported our requirements of developers to contribute affordable housing units to each new development in the City's center. This has yielded hundreds of units of affordable housing completed or in various phases of development. Further, I strongly supported our recent increase in the percentage of required affordable units and expanded the area citywide for such requirement.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: During my time as a Councilman we have done much on the environment and climate change fronts! We have installed LED lighting throughout the City, replacing older, energy gobbling lights and we have had solar panels installed on virtually every feasible city-owned site with the result that we are now going to use this energy in place of the typical fossil fuel based energy used previously. In addition, we have installed many EV charging stations in city garages to encourage the use of such cars. Another critical move was to take on the capping of the Gedney landfill area, a problem area that had alluded city leadership for very many years! We have taken steps to filter and treat city-owned water sources as a backup to the NYC water supply used daily.

Richard A. Payne



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City of Yonkers

Yonkers City Council President

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$79,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Lakisha Collins-Bellamy



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

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Ron Matten



Party: Rep, CS

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: The rise in violent crime is traced to failed legislation, which places recidivist criminals back on our streets. We must support and fund the YPD, providing training and equipment to strengthen community policing programs. COY must create multi-year fiscal plan to ensure we can fund our operational needs. Inappropriate development has decreased our quality of life throughout the COY. Yonkers must create a Community Development Plan to avoid placing unsuitable projects in residential areas.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Yonkers holds 40% of Westchester County's affordable housing stock, while consisting of 20% of the population. This is a county partnership issue and requires county participation. Affordable housing is needed, and the responsibility should be shared. The lack of affordable housing is a result of overdevelopment among our neighboring cities.

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: Improving mass transit will not only increase ridership, but provide a greater pool of employees for Yonkers employers. This is a County issue, but

the City can be a partner. Bring food composting to Yonkers Public Schools and allow residents participate. Offer residents rain barrels at cost to encourage rainwater harvesting. Provide a shuttle service to Metro North Stations. The Yonkers City Council should create a Green Seal Program. Highlight residential buildings and homeowners who meet certain sustainable criteria and award them the Yonkers City Council Green Seal.

Yonkers City Council District 2

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$48,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Henry Barrera

Party: HBP

Corazon Pineda

Party: Dem, WF

Yonkers City Council District 4

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$48,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Leonora Gjonbalaj

Party: WF

John Rubbo

Party: Dem

Yonkers City Council District 6

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$48,000

Candidates (choose 1):

Tim Hodges



Party: Dem, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Yonkers, NY

Education: Mercy College - Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership Harvard University - Certification in Leadership Graduated from the FBI National Academy

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: One major issue facing this office is education. I want to make sure that our schools provide a quality education for all our kids living in District 6. This means ensuring that the Yonkers Board of Education has the resources they need to build good educational infrastructure. Many of the public schools in Yonkers are very old with outdated

infrastructure for a 21st century education. I want to hold Albany accountable to get the necessary funding for the City of Yonkers our children deserve.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: The current City Council has passed a measure to increase the number of affordable housing in Yonkers. I would like to see Yonkers be affordable for everyone. I believe that it is important to keep families living in Yonkers and in District 6 specifically, and I support an increase in affordable housing in the City of Yonkers. Fair and affordable housing should be commonplace in the City of Yonkers.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I am a firm believer in solar energy, and believe that having incentives for using solar energy for our homeowners and city vehicles is the right way forward. Furthermore, Yonkers has an excellent mass transit system, with several hundred people riding our busses around Yonkers each day. I want to ensure that our fleet vehicles are transitioned from diesel to electric energy to reduce pollution from diesel engines. I continue to support the city's efforts to implement electric vehicles such as for the Yonkers Police Department and for other city vehicles, as it is a right step in combating climate change.

Anthony J. Merante

Party: Rep, CS

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Yonkers NY

Education: Saint John's University, Bachelor of Science, Accounting, 1982 Certified Public Accountant since March 1987 Member of New York State Society of CPAs since April 1988

Prior Civic Service: President, 10 years, member 24 years, Sprain Lake Knolls Civic Association Member, Enrico Fermi Educational Fund Treasurer 7 years, member 19 years, Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee, Celebration Chairman 2015 & 2016 Annual Police National Night Out Food Coordinator

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: I came to the job with a very simple approach. The guiding principle in business is customer satisfaction. The need of the customer is always top priority. In government the taxpayers are our customers. Their hard-earned tax dollars fuel City Government so they deserve responsiveness. I set out to make sure their problems were addressed. Problems like road paving, tree maintenance, infrastructure, funding public schools and keeping communities safe.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: I'm in favor as long as it is 12-13 % of the housing market and if the plan proposed would benefit Yonkers residents.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: I'm strongly in favor of protecting our environment and rolling back climate change as long as measures are reasonable.

Town of Yorktown

Yorktown Supervisor

Term: 2 years

Salary: \$121,238

Candidates (choose 1):

Matthew J. Slater



Party: Rep, Con

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Q: *Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.*

A: General James Mattis once said, "Wise leadership requires collaboration; otherwise, it will lead to failure." My approach to the many issues facing Yorktown starts with collaboration. We must bring the appropriate stakeholders to the table, focused on dynamic policy, to formulate the right plan to tackle the complex issues before us.

Q: *What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?*

A: Improved housing options is one of the pressing issues facing the residents of Yorktown. The solution cannot rely on a policy that prioritizes people from out of state over local seniors and young families who cannot afford traditional housing because of the crushing property taxes associated with living in Westchester County.

Q: *Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?*

A: Despite a global pandemic I made the advancement of a pro-environment agenda as an elected official a prime focus of my first term. I successfully organized and launched Yorktown's Climate Smart Communities Task Force which has proven to be an incredible asset for policymaking as we strive to reach bronze certification this year. Since taking office we have successfully passed the regulatory framework for large scale solar projects and we became one of the first municipalities to pass the regulatory framework for battery storage projects as well. These initiatives have paved the way for signature projects including the approved solar car canopy at IBM, as well as the Town's proposed solar car canopy, battery storage and electric vehicle charging stations at our Granite Knolls Sports Complex. Recently Sustainable Westchester announced that Yorktown is the leading participant in its Community Solar initiative. We have also started transitioning our police fleet to hybrid vehicles.

Yorktown Town Council

Term: 4 years Salary: \$19,575

Candidates (choose 2):

Sergio J. Esposito



Party: Rep, Con

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Yorktown

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: My approach has never changed and its is one that I constantly utilize in my daily life, the operation of my small business as well as the leadership I have shown as President of The Yorktown Chamber of Commerce and that is to always seek out the middle ground. We are a society made up of great people and each with their own valuable opinions and concerns. Mitigating concerns in a safe, responsible, and fair way has always been my primary focus.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: Yorktown has seen an incredible exodus of both seniors and veterans who have been forced to leave the place they have called home because of the inability to afford the ever-increasing property taxes in Westchester and we cannot depend on laws that give priority to people who live elsewhere before those who live in Yorktown. Secondly, Yorktown must increase its local commercial tax base effectively holding the line on taxes and making it more affordable for young families to be able to both move

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: As president of the Yorktown Chamber of Commerce I am proud to have spearheaded "Fall Farm Weekend" which is a weekend dedicated to promoting and advocating for our many farms. The survivability of our farms is of paramount importance, and I have always supported our green spaces. I have done so in many ways and have also created an Agricultural Committee at The Yorktown Chamber to promote and support green spaces.

Ilan D. Gilbert

Party: Dem, WF

Luciana C. Haughwout

Party: Rep, Con

Vishnubhai V. Patel



Party: Dem, WF

Biographical Info:

City/Town of Residence: Yorktown, NY

Education: Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry and physics from Gujarat University, India, and a Master's degree in organic chemistry from the University of the Pacific in California.

Prior Civic Service: Created a computer center for Yorktown senior citizens. Recruited youth and scouting groups for community plantings and clean ups Supported renovation of the senior nutrition center As a volunteer, taught children in our schools about new technologies and encouraged them to consider careers in sciences where jobs are rapidly growing.

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Q: Please state your approach to the most important issue(s) facing your office.

A: For 40 years, I have been making a difference in Yorktown: donating a lab to Yorktown High School, creating spectacular flower plantings, helping to build the Gazebo, and leading the Yorktown Museum. I am one of Yorktown's most active community volunteers. As a Yorktown Councilman, I have introduced cost-saving technologies and supported tight budgets. I made government more open and transparent by putting town finances online for all to see and by strengthening the town's ethics laws.

Q: What is your position on increasing the supply of fair and affordable housing in your community?

A: I believe that we need more housing that our seniors can afford when they retire so that they are not forced to move away. We need more housing that is affordable to young families starting out, especially our children, and housing affordable to our town employees who do so much to make Yorktown special,

Q: Do you have programs that respond to environmental threats and climate change?

A: I have fought successfully to strengthen our local laws protecting wetlands and wooded areas. Yorktown is a member of the East of Hudson Watershed. We plan to replace Town vehicles w/ hybrid & electric vehicles and have worked to encourage solar panels for Town properties. I have been a strong supporter of our Conservation Board that serves as a "watchdog" for all residential and commercial projects. I led the fight that stopped a former Supervisor from spending \$4,800,000 for a new highway garage that we didn't need. I fought to spend that kind of money on infrastructure to protect our environment, critical repairs to our roads, drainage, bridges and town buildings,

Yorktown Town Justice

Term: 4 years Salary: \$33,126

Candidates (choose 1):

Aviah J. Cohen Pierson

Party: Dem, Con

Yorktown Superintendent of Highways

Term: 4 years Salary: \$126,181

Candidates (choose 1):

David D. Paganelli

Party: Rep, Con

LOCAL PROPOSITIONS

WESTCHESTER COUNTY PROPOSITION ONE

“Should the County of Westchester amend its laws to enact a new and comprehensive code of ethics, including a detailed code of conduct, updated disclosure requirements, and clarifying the structure and authority of the Board of Ethics to oversee, implement and enforce the law?”

For more detailed information on this proposition, go to <https://citizenparticipation.westchestergov.com/images/stories/pdfs/cntrylocalprops.pdf>

TOWN OF LEWISBORO PROPOSITION ONE

‘Shall the elective office of Town Highway Superintendent be abolished as of December 31, 2023 and the Town Highway Superintendent become an appointed position selected by the town board for a four (4) year term commencing January 1, 2024 and continuing thereafter?’

VILLAGE/TOWN OF MOUNT KISCO

Shall there be approved in the Village of Mount Kisco, New York (the “Village”), Local Law No. 2 of 2021, entitled “A Local Law to dissolve the Village of Mount Kisco Police Department and replace same with contracted police services.

CITY OF PEEKSKILL FIELD LIBRARY BUDGET PROPOSITION

Shall the annual contribution of the of the City of Peekskill for the operating budget of the Field Library be increased by seventy-five thousand (\$75,000) dollars to the sum of one million three hundred thirty-three thousand (\$1,333,000) dollars annually.

For more detailed information on this proposition, go to <https://citizenparticipation.westchestergov.com/images/stories/pdfs/cntrylocalprops.pdf>

NY MEASURES

NYS Ballot Proposals as They Will Appear on the Ballot:

For detailed discussion of pros and cons of each of these propositions, go to Vote411.org or to lwvny.org/league-publications and select 2021 Voters Guide Part II

Proposal 1: Amending the Apportionment and Redistricting Process

This proposed constitutional amendment would freeze the number of state senators at 63, amend the process for the counting of the state’s population, delete certain provisions that violate the United States Constitution, repeal and amend certain requirements for the appointment of the co-executive directors of the redistricting commission and amend the manner of drawing district lines for congressional and state legislative offices. Shall the proposed amendment be approved?

Proposal 2: Right to Clean Air, Clean Water, and a Healthful Environment

The proposed amendment to Article 1 of the New York Constitution would establish the right of each person to clean air and water and a healthful environment. Shall the proposed amendment be approved?

Proposal 3: Eliminating Ten-Day-Advance Voter Registration Requirement

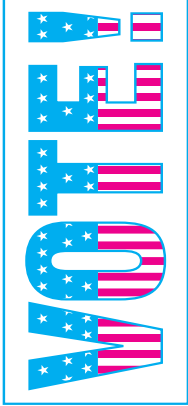
The proposed amendment would delete the current requirement in Article 2, § 5 that a citizen be registered to vote at least ten days before an election and would allow the Legislature to enact laws permitting a citizen to register to vote less than ten days before the election. Shall the proposed amendment be approved?

Proposal 4: Authorizing No-Excuse Absentee Ballot Voting

The proposed amendment would delete from the current provision on absentee ballots the requirement that an absentee voter must be unable to appear at the polls by reason of absence from the county or illness or physical disability. Shall the proposed amendment be approved?

Proposal 5: Increasing the Jurisdiction of the New York City Civil Court

The proposed amendment would increase the New York City Civil Court’s jurisdiction by allowing it to hear and decide claims for up to \$50,000 instead of the current jurisdictional limit of \$25,000. Shall the proposed amendment be approved?



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