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The titles of all offices and the names of all candidates on the ballot in the Primary Election appear in this Guide. Only candidates in races for Judge of Court of Common Pleas, Magisterial District Judge, county treasurer, school board, supervisor, mayor, council, were asked to reply to the Monroe County LWV questionnaire. Each candidate's reply has been printed as submitted, except to use standard abbreviations in the interest of space and to publish the material up to the end of the sentence closest to the word limit. Candidates are listed in the order in which they appear on the ballot. The party of the Governor is listed first in Pennsylvania. The LWV publishes this material neither to endorse nor reject the views of any candidate and does not assume responsibility for the contents of any reply. The material in this Guide was compiled by the League of Women Voters of Monroe County and may not be altered or reprinted without the permission of the League.

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D.O.B. denotes Date of Birth

// indicates that a candidate has exceeded the permitted number of words in his or her response.

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ABSENTEE VOTING

Registered voters who are ill, disabled, or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. Completed APPLICATIONS for absentee ballots must be received by the county Board of Elections by 5 P.M., Tuesday, May 12. Completed absentee BALLOTS must be received back at the Board of Elections by 5 P.M. on Friday, May 15. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the Tuesday application deadline, call your county Board of Elections for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergency may be required. An emergency application and ballot can be obtained and voted by 5 P.M. on Friday, May 15. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the county Board of Elections.

WRITE-IN VOTING

Information for write-in voting will be available at the polling place and instructions are available at www.votespa.com.

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the judge of elections at the polling place should telephone the county Board of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the county Board of Elections where a judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time then you must bring your voter ID card or a photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of Federal or State government issued ID. Some forms of non-photo ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot.

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CERTIFICATION NOTE

As of the publication date of this guide, the slate of candidates listed below is accurate based upon the Pennsylvania Department of State's Bureau of Elections unofficial ballot.

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court is the highest judicial authority in the Commonwealth. In addition to being the final court of appeals, it serves as administrator of the unified court system and is responsible for ensuring that all Pennsylvania courts perform their duties properly. The Court hears decisions of the Superior and Commonwealth Courts and in certain cases, including those involving the death penalty, from the Courts of Common Pleas. It may also assume jurisdiction over any case pending before a lower court that involves an issue of immediate public importance. There are seven Supreme Court justices, the Chief Justice being the one having the longest continuous service on the Court.

Term: 10 years
Salary: \$186,450

(Vote for one.)

Question: The Judicial Conduct Board handles complaints about sitting judges filed by the general public. The Board reviews the complaints and if necessary, action can be taken by the Court of Judicial Discipline. How do you think this system of judicial oversight is working? Does it meet the public's need for assurance that justice is being served?

DEMOCRATIC

JACK PANELLA, Bethlehem

D.O.B: 05/04/1955

EDUCATION: 1977, St. John's University, B.S.; 1980, Columbus School of Law, CUA, J.D.

OCCUPATION: Superior Court Judge

QUALIFICATIONS: County Solicitor, 4 years; Court of Common Pleas Judge, 12 years; Superior Court Judge, 5 years; Chair, Judicial Auditing Agency, 4 years; Administrative Judge, Wiretap Applications, 5 years; President, Court of Judicial Discipline, 1 year.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: As a former Chair of the Judicial Conduct Board and President Judge of the Court of Judicial Discipline, I know that, under the current system, allegations of judicial misconduct are thoroughly investigated and judges are held accountable for their misdeeds. Unfortunately, the public is largely unaware that this system of oversight even exists. We need to do more to educate the public, while balancing the rights of the accused with the need for greater transparency.

REPUBLICAN

JOAN ORIE MELVIN, Pittsburgh

D.O.B: 04/06/1956

EDUCATION: 1978, Notre Dame, B.A.

1981, Duquesne Law, J.D.

OCCUPATION: Superior Court Judge

QUALIFICATIONS: 23 years judicial experience; Superior Court Judge, 11 years, 8000 appeals; Allegheny County Common Pleas Judge, 7 ½ years, (served Criminal, Family, Civil Divisions); Chief Magistrate, Pittsburgh Municipal Courts, 5 years, established Pennsylvania's first Domestic Violence Court; private practice, corporate counsel.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Judicial accountability is necessary to prevent abuses of power and corruption. The public trust in justice mandates that judges' decisions are accountable to the Constitution and the rule of law and the judiciary as a whole must be accountable to the citizens in its operations. The public must be protected, and rigorous standards of judicial ethics must be strictly enforced. The public must have confidence in the integrity and independence of the judicial system.

PAUL P. PANEPINTO, Philadelphia

D.O.B: 6/25/1949

EDUCATION: 1971, Villanova University, B.A.
1979, Villanova University, M.A.
1976, Widener University, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Common Pleas Judge
QUALIFICATIONS: Administrative Judge, appointed by Supreme Court, 4 years; Trustee, National Council of Juvenile Court & Family Judges, 6 years; Practicing Attorney, 13 years; Probation Officer & Juvenile Master, 6 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I was appointed and served on the Court of Judicial Discipline, 2003-2007. I believe the Judicial Conduct Board is the proper vehicle for any individual to make a complaint and I believe it is fairly processed at that level for all concerned. From my experience, all complaints are given thorough consideration and investigation when they are deemed warranted by the board.

CHERYL LYNN ALLEN, Allison Park
D.O.B: 12/16/1947
EDUCATION: 1969, Pennsylvania State University, B.S.
1971-1972, Pittsburgh University Graduate School of Education
no degree due to law school matriculation
1975, Pittsburgh University School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Superior Court Judge
QUALIFICATIONS: My entire career is distinguished by a commitment to public service. I was a city school teacher for 3 years, and then worked as an attorney for Neighborhood Legal Services, a solicitor with the Allegheny County Law Dept., and individually private civil practice. Thereafter, I was a trial judge for nearly 18 years and received much recognition for my work on behalf of children and families. Since January of 2008, I have served as an appellate judge in the Superior Court of PA.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: It is clear from recent events that judicial oversight has its deficiencies. Like all government entities, the judiciary should be held to the highest ethical standards. At present, Pennsylvania has in place a Code of Judicial Conduct, a Court of Judicial Discipline and a Judicial Conduct Board. In my view, these entities would benefit from increased public access and scrutiny, as well as additional internal measures to assure Pennsylvania citizens of their judiciary's integrity.

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Pennsylvania Superior Court is one of two intermediate appellate courts. It hears all criminal and civil appeals from the Courts of Common Pleas except for death penalty cases and those that are specifically assigned to the Commonwealth Court. The Court has fifteen judges, with the President Judge elected by the members. Judges of the Superior Court must be lawyers and must reside in Pennsylvania for at least a year before their election and for as long as they continue in office.

Term: 10 years
Salary: \$175,923
(Vote for not more than three.)

Question: The Judicial Conduct Board handles complaints about sitting judges filed by the general public. The Board reviews the complaints and if necessary, action can be taken by the Court of Judicial Discipline. How do you think this system of judicial oversight is working? Does it meet the public's need for assurance that justice is being served?

DEMOCRATIC

PAULA PATRICK, Philadelphia

D.O.B: 01/28/1960

EDUCATION: 1990, Bennett College, B.A. – Political Science
1993, Thurgood Marshall School of Law @ Texas Southern
University,

OCCUPATION: J.D.
Common Pleas Judge

QUALIFICATIONS: Common Pleas Court Judge for 6 years; Solo Practitioner as a general litigating
trial attorney for almost 10 years; former adjunct professor at LaSalle
University in the Criminal Justice Dept.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I think that it is working, some improvements may be needed. I think
it meets the public's need.

TOM MUNLEY, Scranton No Response

ANNE E. LAZARUS, Philadelphia

D.O.B: 11/12/1952

EDUCATION: 1972, SUNY at Stony Brook, B.A.
1976, Temple University School of Law, J.D.
1986, Temple University School of Law, L.L.M.

OCCUPATION: Common Pleas Judge

QUALIFICATIONS: Court of Common Pleas, 18 years
Attorney, 11 years
Ethics Committee, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, Chair, First-ever recipient, PA
Bar Association's Judicial Pro Bono Award

ANSWER TO QUESTION: As Chair of the Ethics Committee of the State Conference of Trial
Judges, I can attest that the Conduct Board, composed of lay persons,
attorneys and judges, thoroughly reviews any complaint they receive
and if they decide to pursue prosecution, it is vigorous. I believe that
the diverse group guarantees that the public's concerns are well met. If
other disciplines were as ardent at policing their own, the public would
be much better off.

JOHN YOUNGE, Philadelphia

D.O.B: 07/19/1955

EDUCATION: 1977, Boston University, B.A.
1981, Howard University School of Law, J.D.

OCCUPATION: Common Pleas Judge – Philadelphia County

QUALIFICATIONS: Common Pleas Court judge, civil and criminal, 14 years; former president,
Pennsylvania Conference of Trial Judges; past president, Clifford Scott
Green Judicial Council; board chair, The Consortium, a mental health
agency; board chair, New Life Credit Union

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Even with the unfortunate incidents involving judges we've heard
about lately, the only heartening aspect is that these cases provide
evidence that the Judicial Conduct Board is doing its job – and is
effective in it. The judiciary is a thoroughly regulated branch of
government and the board takes serious care with every allegation,
without prejudice, regardless of the source or reputation of the accuser
or accused.

KEVIN FRANCIS MCCARTHY, Pittsburgh

D.O.B: 08/14/1961

EDUCATION: 1983, University of Pittsburgh, B.A.
1986, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D.

OCCUPATION: Assistant District Attorney – Allegheny County

QUALIFICATIONS: Law Clerk, James Rowley, J., Superior Court of Pennsylvania, 2 years Law Clerk, Fred Adams, and William Frank, J.J., Court of Common Pleas, Fayette County, Allegheny County District Attorney, Appellate Unit 18 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I believe this system of judicial oversight provides an efficient method for addressing complaints. It strikes a balance for the full and fair investigation of charges of judicial irregularities and malfeasance with the understanding that parties often feel aggrieved when dissatisfied with their cases' results. The previous system required the board to function as investigator and jury. The current system separates these functions between two different boards, allowing each to fully commit to its role.

ROBERT J COLVILLE, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: 08/03/1965
EDUCATION: 1989, Penn State, B.A.
1992, Duquesne University
OCCUPATION: Common Pleas Court Judge
QUALIFICATIONS: Trial Judge, 10 years; Juvenile Court Procedural Rules Committee, 7 years; Officer and President of PA Conference of State Trial Judges, 6 years; Trial Lawyer, 7 years; Law Clerk, PA Supreme Court, 2 years; Legislative Aide, Washington DC <year; Public Defender Intern, 2 years; Union Laborer, 7 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The Judicial Conduct Board and the Court of Judicial Discipline are responsible institutions that aggressively investigate reports of judicial corruption in the hopes of eradicating it. Unfortunately, as with all human endeavors they, sometimes, fall short of their aspirations. It is my hope that, in spite of the recent reports of the morally reprehensible and criminal conduct of a few individuals and the resultant tragic consequences to the specific individuals directly affected by such miscarriages of justice, the public will maintain its trust that the vast majority of our judges are honorable.

REPUBLICAN

JUDY OLSON, Wexford
D.O.B: 10/19/1957
EDUCATION: 1979, St. Francis College, B.A.
1982, Duquesne University School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Common Pleas Court Judge
QUALIFICATIONS: Trial and appellate lawyer, 27 years; Chairman, Antitrust Group and Partner-in-Charge of Litigation (Pgh. Office), Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis LLP, "Highly Recommended" by PA Bar Association

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Nothing is more important to the operation of our judicial system than preserving the honor, dignity, independence and integrity of the Pennsylvania judiciary. The Board works hard to enforce the ethics laws by investigating allegations made against a judge and pursuing those claims that are meritorious. However, it is the responsibility of all citizens to make sure that the Board functions properly by bringing concerns to the Board's attention and keeping the Board's actions transparent.

SALLIE MUNDY, Tioga
D.O.B: 06/29/1962
EDUCATION: 1984, Washington and Jefferson College, B.A.
1987, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: I am a litigator with extensive experience in defending civil suits brought against doctors and nurses accused of malpractice as well as in the representation of catastrophically injured individuals as claimants. I have also practiced criminal law as a volunteer Public Defender. I am honest, impartial and industrious.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The key to public trust is transparency. All documents filed with, and all hearings held before, the Court of Judicial Discipline are open to the public. The Judicial Conduct Board, which investigates complaints against a judge, does have confidentiality but I believe the public understands that confidentiality is necessary not only to protect the reputation of an unjustly accused judge, but also to prevent retaliation against the complainant. Appointments to these entities are accomplished in a manner that assures that neither political party, nor the judiciary itself can achieve control.

TEMP SMITH, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: 05/20/1952
EDUCATION: 1974, Washington & Lee University, B.A. (English)
1977, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: Extensive experience briefing and arguing appellate cases on a wide variety of issues; more than 31 years of legal practice in diverse areas of law; ratings of Recommended from PA Bar Association and Highly Recommended from Allegheny County Bar Association.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The existing system of judicial oversight appears to be working. I view the fact that serious misconduct has recently been discovered in trial courts in two counties not as an indication of systemic failure, but, rather as an indication that the vast majority of Pennsylvania's judges are fulfilling their duties and that the very few who are not are being discovered and dealt with appropriately.

JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Commonwealth Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. Its jurisdiction generally is limited to legal matters involving state and local government and regulatory agencies. Litigation typically focuses on such subjects as banking, insurance and utility regulation and laws affecting taxation, land use, elections, labor practices and workers compensation. Commonwealth Court also acts as a court of original jurisdiction, or a trial court, when lawsuits are filed by or against the Commonwealth. The Court has nine judges, with the President Judge chosen by its members. The court generally decides cases in three-judge panels and sits in Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburgh.

Term: 10 years
Salary: \$175,923
(Vote for not more than 2)

Question: The Judicial Conduct Board handles complaints about sitting judges filed by the

general public. The Board reviews the complaints and if necessary, action can be taken by the Court of Judicial Discipline. How do you think this system of judicial oversight is working? Does it meet the public's need for assurance that justice is being served?

DEMOCRATIC

LINDA S JUDSON, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: None Given
EDUCATION: 1979, St. Francis General Hospital, Alvernia School of Practical Nursing, L.P.N.
1986, University of Pittsburgh, B.A. (cum laude)
1990, Duquesne University School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: Attorney 20 years practice in matters that come before Commonwealth Court:
1991, Clerk for Commonwealth Court, Honorable Bernard McGinley;
1991-93, Technical Specialist (as an attorney), Marsh & McLennan
Insurance regulation, risk management, regulatory compliance
including OSHA & workplace safety matters.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Current problems in certain counties clearly indicate that the system is not working. Through education of the public, including posted notices in courtroom areas, awareness of the recourse provided by the Judicial Conduct Board should be developed. Internal judicial system guidelines should reinforce the obligations of each judge to the integrity of the entire system.

BARBARA ERNSBERGER, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: 08/16/1951
EDUCATION: 1973, University of Pittsburgh, B.A., cum laude
1976, Duquesne University School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Attorney and Partner, Behrend and Ernsberger, PC
QUALIFICATIONS: Attorney, 32 years, Community Advisory Board, 6 years; Commissioner City of Pittsburgh Department of Planning, 4 years; Chair of City Pittsburgh Democratic Committee of (32) wards, 7 years; Trustee, Shadyside Presbyterian Church Nursery School, 5 years; Pittsburgh City Council, Woman of the Year 2002.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The system of judicial oversight is working for complaints that are filed for the Judicial Conduct Board to review. However, if there is improper activity outside the scope of the Board's review, such as the two judges in Scranton, who were taking monies for referrals of juveniles, to juvenile facilities, then the system did not work. The public needs assurance through the creation of a task force to examine the juvenile court referral system and make creative recommendations.

JIMMY LYNN, Philadelphia
D.O.B: 10/15/1947
EDUCATION: 1970, LaSalle University, B.A.
1973, Loyola University, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Common Pleas Judge
QUALIFICATIONS: 18 years as a Trial Judge – almost all court divisions; Prosecutor, 3 years; 15 years private practice; Recommended by PA Bar Association. Extensive lifelong record of service.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I believe this system of judicial oversight is working well, and is a vast improvement over the former single tiered system. The current system allows for more oversight by allowing for the Board to investigate before sending cases to the Court of Judicial Discipline. Prior to the implementation of this system, the Board would only

make recommendations to the Supreme Court. The Board itself is made up of lawyers, judges, and lay people alike to provide a balanced viewpoint to all cases.

STEPHEN G POLLOCK, Huntingdon Valley
D.O.B: 05/10/1951
EDUCATION: 1972, Muhlenberg College, A.B.
1975, Temple University School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: Member, Pennsylvania State Planning Board, 5 years; Member & Chair, Lower Moreland Twp Planning Commission, 18 years; Member & President, Huntingdon Valley Library Board, 8 years; Chair, Real Property Section, Philadelphia Bar Association, 1 year.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The present system of judicial discipline is far superior to the now defunct Judicial Inquiry Review Board, which Board was generally ineffective. The new Board's investigations are kept confidential similar to investigations of a grand jury. The recent increase in number of judicial disciplinary actions indicates the Board is working. I believe however, the Board should demonstrate greater independence and the selection of its members should be more transparent. Public investigation of judicial discipline does not advance the justice system.

MICHAEL D SHERMAN, Mount Lebanon No Response

DANIEL K BRICMONT, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: 10/2/1964
EDUCATION: 1987, University of Pittsburgh, B.S.
1990, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D. cum laude
OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: 19 years experience in plaintiff personal injury practice focusing on representing injured workers in Social Security Disability, Workers' Compensation and occasionally Unemployment Compensation matters. Mayor of Avalon elected 1993 to 2005. Performed duties of a Mayor in a Borough (population approximately 5,200) in Allegheny County.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The Judicial Conduct Board in the Court of Judicial discipline are only part of the manner in which Judicial officers are supervised, the process must balance the public's need for a forum to raise "performance" issues, with the Judges concern over complaints initiated by disgruntled litigants. In order for the public good to be truly served, the presiding judge (usually the President Judge or Chief Justice) of each Court needs to be attentive to the duties of the Judges whom they supervise and sensitive to the reports of misconduct or complaints related to the Judges within their supervisory authority.

REPUBLICAN

AL FRIONI, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: 02/25/1963
EDUCATION: 1985, University of Pittsburgh, B.A.
1988, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D.
OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: Administrative Appeals Judge – Commissioner, Pennsylvania Workers

Compensation Appeal Board, 12 ½ years, resigned February 2009. In-house counsel Travelers Insurance, Staff Assistant to Senator Heinz, Attorney for 20 years.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: This system is nationally ranked and within the top five in the US. Several hundred complaints are investigated yearly with only a handful of sanctions imposed. The success of this system is grounded in the ability of anyone – layperson, lawyer, administrator, another judge or even a disinterested party to bring a confidential complaint against a judge without fear of reprisal. The open complaint process allows the public to be the true “watchdog” here.

PATRICIA A MCCULLOUGH, Pittsburgh
D.O.B: 11/15/1956
EDUCATION: 1978, University of Pittsburgh, B.A.
1980, University Strasbourg
1981, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D.

OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: Served as Judge, Allegheny County Court Common Pleas; Attorney (28 years) private/corporate practice; Executive Director Catholic Charities; member/chair Allegheny County Board of Property Appeals; Adjunct faculty member; state/local committeewoman; community volunteer.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Although the JCB is committed to ensuring that justice is served, the promulgation of specific criteria governing areas like the conduct of judicial campaigns and contributions would improve the ability to benchmark fairness and impartiality. Because of my commitment to these ideals, I did not take the pay raise while a judge in Allegheny County’s Court of Common Pleas and will not take campaign donations from special interest groups or lawyers.

KEVIN BROBSON, Harrisburg
D.O.B: 11/26/1970
EDUCATION: Lycoming College, B.A.
Widener University, J.D. (2nd in Class)

OCCUPATION: Attorney
QUALIFICATIONS: Broad-based Commonwealth Court practice; Recommended by PA Bar Association; Middle Paxton Twp. Planning Commission; American Inns of Court; Commonwealth Court Historical Society; Best Lawyers in America; Dauphin County Bar and PA Bar Pro Bono Award Winner; Married, father of three.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Grounded in our state Constitution, the process serves an important role in our justice system. Half of the Judicial Conduct Board’s twelve members must be neither lawyers nor judges, ensuring substantial involvement of the general public in this oversight role. Generally, I believe the process has been and can continue to be effective. Like any public institution, however, its effectiveness can only be evaluated by the work of those entrusted to keep it.

Judge of the Court of Common Pleas (Vote for not more than Two)

The question asked candidates for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas was, "Do you have specific suggestions for improving the administration of justice in Monroe County?"

DEMOCRAT.

C. DANIEL HIGGINS, JR.

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 5/26/1967

EDUCATION: 1989 Villanova University, B.S.

1995 District of Columbia, J.D.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Attorney at Law

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Admitted Supreme Court of Pennsylvania –

1996 Admitted Federal District Court – 1996 Attorney general practice – 13 years

Solicitor Chestnuthill Township Zoning – 3 years Solicitor Monroe County Children &

Youth – 1 year Awarded by Leadership Pocono – 2000 Board Monroe Animal League – 3 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Yes, the administration of the justice system could be improved by the creation of a separate dedicated court system for Monroe County family law cases including custody, protection from abuse, support contempt and divorce cases. Such a separate court could streamline the adjudication of the cases, potentially bringing them to a fair disposition sooner. The increasing volume of family law cases demands such a dedicated court to efficiently handle these cases thereby benefiting the public.

DANIEL P. LYONS

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 3/3/1955

EDUCATION: 1977, B.S Indiana University of Pennsylvania

1982, J.D., The National Law Center of George Washington

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Attorney, Sole Proprietor.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Most experience, 25 years of practice in Monroe County. Most diverse practice which is needed as next Judge will handle cases in all areas of civil and criminal law. Most community service.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: It is difficult to determine what, if any, changes are necessary or possible to enact administratively since I have not held the position of Judge. I will look closely at instances when a large number of attorneys and their clients are waiting for their case to be heard. I will also look closely at making court proceedings more transparent and open to public while still ensuring the rights of litigants are fully

JENNIFER HORLACHER SIBUM

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 2/17/1968

EDUCATION: 1990, University of Pennsylvania, BA

1993, The Dickinson School of Law, JD

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Attorney

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Special Public Defender, 5 years

Protection from Abuse Advocate, 6 years

Solicitor, Monroe County Probation and Domestic Relations Offices, 8 years
Court-appointed dependency counsel, 8 years Guardian Ad Litem, 1 year
Solicitor, Smithfield Township Zoning Hearing Board, 14 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Currently PFA court rotates weekly among 5 judges. With the President Judge's permission, I would like to hear PFA Court weekly and all cases involving these parties, including custody and divorce, so that one judge would be familiar with a family's entire situation, hopefully creating consistency and leading to better results for all concerned, as opposed to having families appear before different judges who may not be familiar with all aspects of the family.

BARNEY ANDERSON

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 11/04/1962

EDUCATION: University of Pittsburgh, *Summa cum laude*, B.A., 1984

University of California, Davis, J.D., 1988

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Assistant District Attorney

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE OFFICE: As a military veteran and county prosecutor, my 20 year career has been dedicated to public service. I have conducted 85 trials. This extraordinary trial experience is critical to be an effective judge.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: This office can only be effective if Judge Cheslock's replacement has real trial experience, a strong work ethic, and the greatest diversity of life's experience. A judge should be the most experienced lawyer in the courtroom. As the next judge will be expected to immediately preside over both civil and criminal trials, there is no opportunity for on-the-job training. This judicial office will remain effective only if filled by an experienced trial attorney.

ROBERT A. SAURMAN

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 5/31/65

EDUCATION: B.A., Messiah College, J.D. Temple University School of Law

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Attorney, Anders & Masington, Stroudsburg

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Former Chief Sex Crimes' Prosecutor, hundreds of felony convictions; numerous sex offenders placed on Megan's Law registry; extensive jury trial experience; large concentration in family law cases; widely varied areas of practice and legal expertise.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The most important single factor in assuring the proper administration of the Court is the election of the most qualified candidate to handle all matters which comes before the court. I am the only candidate to combine extensive jury trial experience with an extensive family law practice, the two most important areas the next judge will be called upon to handle. I will be a fair and competent judge in all matters.

REPUBLICAN

DANIEL P. LYONS

C.DANIEL HIGGINS, JR.
BARNEY ANDERSON
JENNIFER HARLACHER SIBUM
ROBERT SAURMAN

Treasurer
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

The candidates for Treasurer were asked, “Do you have specific suggestion for improving the administration of the office for which you are a candidate?”

DEMOCRAT

CLAUDETTE SEGEAR

Tannersville

D.O.B.: 3/20/1936

EDUCATION: Graduate of Pocono High School, continuing courses Bookkeeping Advanced accounting, Financial Planning, Investing Supervisory training and Computer Programming

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Monroe County Treasurer

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Experience: Current 20 years Treasurer prior 12 years deputy treasurer. Successfully performed all duties as per County code, budgeting, banking and managing all accounts receivable with proven success

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Continue serving as a Full-time Treasurer, the number of staff has remained the same despite the additional workload. This has been the result of implementing a new computer system and streamlining the office. Procedures to maximize efficiency. Continue to manage County funds as per County Code for the highest maximum returns. Continue dog license sales at various locations. Provide license renewal reminders. Continue Notary Public services. Provide Continued Sound Fiscal management and Professional Leadership.

REPUBLICAN

MAUREEN H. CHRISTY

Kunkletown

D.O.B.: 12/12/51

EDUCATION: 1988 Cedar Crest College, Allentown, PA -- BS, Accounting

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Self-employed Certified Public Accountant

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 25+ years Accounting experience which includes corporate and public accounting. Certified Public Accountant, 15+ Years Director of Finance, a non-for-profit, Allentown, 3 Years Accountant, construction

companies, Monroe County, 6 years Member, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Although the office currently runs well, improvement is always possible. Out County's needs have changed significantly in the last 20 years, so as a CPA who will work full time, I can ensure we use the latest technology, diligently monitoring investments to assure not just the best ROI but also a reasonable level of protection from economic fluctuations. My experience—25+ years in the public and private sectors—makes me exceptionally qualified for this position.

Coroner
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

Dave Thomas

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 11/5/56

EDUCATION: 1974 graduate of Stroudsburg High School

Attended East Stroudsburg University for three years

1979 graduate of Simmons School of Mortuary Science, Syracuse, NY

1997 graduate of the PA State Coroner's Basic Education Course

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Monroe County Coroner and funeral home owner

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Deputy Coroner for 7 years

Chief Deputy Coroner for 7 years, Elected Coroner for 12 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I will continue to run my office as coroner with the utmost care and compassion, just as I have for the past 12 years. My staff and I will continue working with police, fire and EMS in the same cooperative and efficient manner we have been doing during my tenure as Coroner.

Jury Commissioner
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DONNA COLEMAN

REPUBLICAN

PAMELA BISBING

School Directors

Most candidates for School Director have cross-filed. In this case biographical information and response to the question appear under the Democratic Party in the order they will appear on the ballot. The candidates' names appear in ballot order under the Republican Party. The question was, "What do you consider the most serious problem in your school district and how would you propose solving it?"

East Stroudsburg School District

(Middle Smithfield, Price, and Smithfield Townships and the Borough of East Stroudsburg
in Monroe County, Lehman and Porter Townships in Pike County)

School Director at Large
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for not more than Four)

DEMOCRAT

DOUGLAS FREEMAN

BOB COOKE

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 5/25/1948

EDUCATION: 1970, ESU, B.S. ELED; continuing education, Lehigh University, ESU,
Moravian

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Independent Educational Consultant

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Various leadership positions PSEA, ESEA
– 1970 to 2005;

President, Vice-President, Middle Smithfield PTO – 1972-1973;

Dept. Chair, Lehman Intermediate Math Dept. – 2004 to 2007

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The most serious issue facing East Stroudsburg is
maintaining the current level of quality education we presently enjoy and improving that
quality whenever possible. Funding to accomplish this becomes the critical piece. We
must force the State to assume its constitutionally mandated percentage of 50% support to
local education which presently hovers around 35%. We must then work cooperatively
with legislators to enact an immediate shift from crushing local taxes to more equitable
solutions.

RICK CHANDLER

Stroud Township

D.O.B.: 08/29/1958

EDUCATION: King's College, BA, Math; Marywood University, MS, Math;
Xavier University, MBA, Business; Indiana University, EdD, Education

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Professor, Valley Forge Military College, ESU, NCC

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 20 years Business experience including
working for large corporations, owning a small business;

Teaching experience at the K-12 level – 10 years;

Numerous awards for teaching, business achievement;

Board of Education – 6 years.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: We need to continue to provide high quality education, while we find ways to reduce costs and minimize taxes. We can supplement the excellent work of our teachers, staff and administration by utilizing volunteers, particularly parents and senior citizens. We need to apply for grants at the state and federal level as they become available, as we did for all day kindergarten. Currently, the state only pays about 21% of our budget so we need to demand that they pay a more equitable percent for our student's education.

RENEE VELAZQUES
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DIANE HINSON
Bushkill
D.O.B.: May 5

EDUCATION: High School Diploma, NY; Real Estate Academy, Stroudsburg, PA

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Realtor

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Parent of East Stroudsburg Area School District Student; Taxpayer – Pike County; Volunteer, classrooms, PTO; Interest in serving my community through honesty and integrity.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The global financial crisis and financial distress affecting national, state, and local levels, obviously affects the quality of life for all citizens. Rather than increasing the taxes, we need to look at new ways of doing more with less. My purpose on the board would be to achieve the change required to represent the East Stroudsburg School District and the students that attend its educational facilities. Our taxpayers and students deserve responsible representation!

WANDA MENDEZ
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KEITH KARKUT
East Stroudsburg
D.O.B.: 9/17/1967

EDUCATION: East Stroudsburg University

CURRENT OCCUPATION: CEO, Karkut Entertainment Group, LLC

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Current School Director; Attended School Board Training. Actively involved in day to day operations of the School District; Business owner for 24 years. Being self-employed allows more flexibility to attend to district matters.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Our School District has several problems. I feel the most important issue we face is providing a safe environment for our students to obtain the highest quality education possible, while keeping expenses as low as possible. I will continue to work to monitor current school expenditures closely, and continue to cut expenditures as often as possible. I will work to provide the highest quality education at

the lowest tax burden possible.

BOB GRESS

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 1/14/1962

EDUCATION: ESU, B.A.; ESU, M.Ed.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Chief Clerk/Administrator – Monroe County

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: School Director ESASD;

Volunteer Coach , YMCA, 10 years; Strategic Planning Committee ESASD, MCTI;

IU #20 Member, 5 years; Secretary, Monroe County Road Task Force, 4 years;

East Stroudsburg Recreation and Park Board, 10 years; Parent, 3 children (One in elementary, middle and high school)

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Maintaining our excellent education with lack of state funding. As a father of three children in each level of our district, I have witnessed firsthand the quality of education available at ESASD which is due to the excellent support and professional staff. We must continue to look for cost savings and expenditure reductions while looking for additional state and federal grants/funding. Pressure must be maintained on the state officials to fund our schools appropriately.

GERARD Mc grath

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andre felder

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roert w. tudor

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DEVIN DAY

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 12/6/1951

EDUCATION: 1989, Maryville University-St. Louis, Masters of Science, Management;

1970, Technical Education, U.S. Marine Corps – Comm/Elect Schools, Basic Electronics, Radio Fundamentals, Ground Radio Repair

CURRENT OCCUPATION: National Sales Manager, Power Container Corporation, Somerset, NJ.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: First time office seeker

ANSWER TO QUESTION: There are two inter-linked problems: Financial mismanagement and academic under-performance. I favor an immediate outside financial audit. A report by National Management Associates, 2007 is available through the ESASD Business Office. It outlines 10 years of negligent financial control. Decentralize management through School-Based Management. It will empower principals and teachers to control budgets and implement academic programs. Google keywords: “Edmonton

School Reform” for details.

DONALD MOTTS

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 9/26/1947

EDUCATION: 1965, Graduate, East Stroudsburg Area School Dist; 1966, United States Army Finance School, Indianapolis, Indiana

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Plumbing & Heating Contractor

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: East Stroudsburg School Board, 11 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Being able to provide the best possible education for our children including all extracurricular activities. Doing this without proper funding from the state is very difficult. Certainly the agony we are experiencing with our present economy does not help. School taxes are affecting many household budgets and our senior citizens must be afforded some kind of relief. We must be better watchdogs.

republican

bob cooke

andre felder

DOUGLAS A. FREEMAN

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 6/3/1954

EDUCATION: Attended Lycoming College, Williamsport, PA (Degree Pending); Graduated Oceanside High School, Oceanside, NY.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Realtor, GRI (graduate of Realtor Institute), ABR (Accredited Buyer Representative)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Current President of Monroe County Habitat for Humanity; Current Vice President of Pocono Mountains Association of Realtors; Former member of the American Stock Exchange; Member of the Landuse and Local Issues Sub Committee of The Pennsylvania Association of Realtors.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The most serious problem in the East Stroudsburg School District is the reckless spending practices of the current Board. I believe if we do not have the money to spend we should not keep on raising taxes or adding to our debt load for projects. We need to balance the budget and retire debt services. We should establish a finance committee comprised of bankers and financial executives in our area, paid or volunteered to review the way the School District is spending our tax payer dollars.

devin day

renee velazques

gerard mc grath

diane hinson

robert tudor

bob gress

donald motts

keith karkut
wanda mendez

Pleasant Valley School District

(Chestnuthill One, Two, Three, Four,
Eldred, Polk, and Ross Townships)

School Director at Large

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for not more than Four)

DEMOCRAT

HARVEY FRABLE

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JAMES SPINOLA

RYAN HINTON

Saylorsburg

D.O.B.: 8/8/1982

EDUCATION: 2005, Bloomsburg University, B.A., History; B.S. Secondary Education;
Graduate Student, Wilkes University

CURRENT OCCUPATION: High School Social Studies Teacher, Pen Argyl School
District

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: PV School Board, 4 years; IU 20 Board of
Directors, 3 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I strongly believe that providing our youth with a quality
education is the best possible investment that we can make as a community. However, we
need to do so while keeping spending and taxes under control. If reelected, I promise to
carefully examine each and every issue that I vote upon to make the best possible decision
for students, residents, taxpayers, and employees of the Pleasant Valley School District.

MICHELLE PALMER

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THOMAS J. MURPHY

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REPUBLICAN

MICHELLE PALMER

JAMES SPINOLA

Saylorsburg

D.O.B.: 1961

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Architecture – NJIT School of Architecture; Continuing education classes in construction administration and computer programming

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Registered Architect experienced in reducing school construction costs

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Former Pleasant Valley School District Director; Proven track record of voting against tax increases;

Architecture and Civil Engineering background in building design and site planning.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: There are many issues facing our district including high taxes and in some areas, low state test scores. But ridding the societal change of the “me” generation is most important. “Excellence in Education – A Community Commitment. We need to get back to core values where the students learn to respect others and themselves. I’d like to see community service brought to the curriculum where students, parents and community members work together on local projects.

HARVEY FRABLE

THOMAS J. MURPHY

Pocono Mountain School District

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for Two)

Region I (Barrett One, Two, Paradise,
Pocono One, Two, Three, Four)

DEMOCRAT

BILL FORTE

Scotrun

D.O.B.: 4/30/1947

EDUCATION: 1969, E.S.U., B.S.; E.S.U., Masters P.E.; Univ. of Scranton, Masters in Ed.; Marywood University, Superintendents Letter of Eligibility

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired, Pocono Mt. School District; Adjunct Professor, E.S.U. Graduate Program

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Retired from the Pocono Mt. School District, 35 years service; H.P.E. Teacher, Football Coach; Wrestling Coach; Tennis Coach; Asst. High School Principal; Jr. High School Principal; High School Principal; Asst. H.R. Director for Administration and Personnel; Administrative Director of Support Services.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Schools continue to be used to solve social, political and economic problems. It is easier to blame schools for these problems rather than to directly

solve them. We must focus on educating our students to improve the quality of their lives by opening new possibilities to thinking and learning. Our schools should provide the opportunity for every student to be the best they can be preparing them to be productive members of society.

EVERETT UPTON

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ED MAYOTTE

Skytop

D.O.B.: 6/18/1945

EDUCATION: 1967, St. Anselm's College, Manchester, NH, B.A.; 1974, Summer School of Hotel Management, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Hotelier

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: President and General Manager of Skytop Lodge Corporation; Pocono Mountain Visitors Bureau – Chairman; Pennsylvania Governor's Travel & Tourism Council, Past Member; Barrett Township Vacant Property Review Board, Chairman; Barrett Township Sesquicentennial Committee – Co-Chair; Barrett Paradise Friendly Library Fundraising Steering Committee Member //

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I am seeking the office of school director to help introduce fiscal responsibility into our school system while improving education. I feel opportunities abound for reductions in fixed costs and capital improvement areas, developing meaningful measurement systems to monitor student development. Aid in providing children with the best possible education based on a three legged stool concept: Accountability for teachers, students being accountable for their education and parents being accountable for their children's education. //

JO ELLEN CHADWICK

Buck Hill Falls

D.O.B.: 11/07/1941

EDUCATION: 1981, Rutgers University, BA Accounting (with high honors); 1985, NJ CPA; 1986-2001, CPCU, FLMI, ARe designations

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired CPA; Part Time, On Site Coordinator, World Strides (student Travel Company)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: My CPA, Auditor experience plus Adjunct Professor, Accounting gives me the necessary budgeting skills. My years as a substitute teacher in PMSD, PVSD and IU20 gives me the exposure of the running of a school from the inside.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The PMSD has many challenges. These challenges mirror our economic environment. Taxes are increasing, property values decreasing. Which issue is most critical? Increased costs have caused program cuts. Teachers are being released. Not good!!! I do not think the answers to these issues will be easy to find. As with any problem, first identify the causes, break down these causes into manageable parts and

address each part. We must cut costs by recognizing need-vs.-want.

JANE NIERING

Cresco

D.O.B.: 7/6/1942

EDUCATION: Graduate of Pocono Township School; Attended E.S.U.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Sales at Moritz Embroidery

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Member of the Pocono Mountain School Board for 16 years, Vice President for 3 years; Member of Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 for 16 years, President for 2 years, Vice President for 2 years; Trustee for Barrett Paradise Friendly Library; Pocono Mountain Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The greatest challenge I face as a School Board Director is trying to provide the resources required to meet the numerous, costly Federal and State unfunded mandates (85 at last count) and provide for our students, while struggling to keep cost down for our overburdened taxpayers. I have and continue to work tirelessly for a REAL solution to our school funding challenge by working with our state legislators to change the way we fund schools.

REPUBLICAN

ED MAYOTTE

JANE NIERING

BILL FORTE

JOELLEN CHADWICK

Pocono Mountain School District

Region II (Jackson, Tobyhanna Eastern, Tobyhanna Western

Tunkhannock)

School Director

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for Two)

DEMOCRAT

RICKY SMITH

HENRY BOCKELMAN

JAY DUNN

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REPUBLICAN

JAY DUNN

RICKY D. SMITH

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 1/18/1954

EDUCATION: Wilkes University, B.A.; Wilkes University, M.B.A.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: VP Strategic Programs and Projects, Sanofi Pasteur, Inc.,
Swiftwater, PA

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Tobyhanna Township Supervisor, 6 years;
Tobyhanna Township Planning Commission, 2 years; Pocono Mountain School Board,
since 1994

ANSWER TO QUESTION: With the present economy, the biggest challenge is to
continue to deliver quality education at a level of taxation the taxpayers can afford.
Realignment and delivery of programs to utilize personnel and resources in the best
possible way are key to dealing with this problem. "No Child Left Behind" continues to
plague all school districts. We have become a nation that seeks "average" as the ideal while
the rest of the world teaches excellence.

HENRY E. BOCKELMAN

Pocono Pines

D.O.B.: 1/13/44

EDUCATION: 1965, Dutchess Community College, AAS; 1969, Parson College, BA

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired Police Officer

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Currently Board member, 19 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Meeting the unfunded mandates from State and Federal
governments in a time of serious economic downturn. In addition the gross inequity in the
distribution of tax funding from the state. These are our Districts' most serious problems
due to the burdens it places on taxpayers, yet the Board has little it can do to solve this
problem. If you cut taxes, you have to cut programs and the students suffer. Students who
have no voice or vote as it relates to their education are at the mercy of the board and voters
as to the quality of their education. They represent the future of our country as we compete
in a global society, yet the legislature still chooses to dodge dealing with providing adequate
funding for public education.

Pocono Mountain School District

Region III (Coolbaugh One, Two, Three, Four Mount Pocono Boro,
(4 Year Term)

(Vote for Not More Than Two)

DEMOCRAT

ELLEN MERCADO

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MICHAEL A. STERN

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DOROTHY SIROLLY

Tobyhanna

D.O.B.: 7/27/1954

EDUCATION: Penn State University, B.S. Education

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Former teacher, former merchandise manager

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 27 years of Leadership includes: Pocono Farms Community-Board Pocono Mountain Public Library-Trustee, Church-Council, United Community for Improvement of Coolbaugh, Habitat for Humanity/Thrivent Builds-Champion. PMSD Local Tax Commission-appointee, PMSC Strategic Plan Committee-appointee, Pocono Mountain Music Boosters-Officer, and Coolbaugh- Judge of Elections

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: Our economy is struggling. Job losses, foreclosures and property taxes are all up. Our schools are struggling too. Several PMSD schools have not met Adequate Yearly Progress. We must balance these competing priorities. Current directors cut teachers and increased class sizes. These are not good solutions. As a teacher, business manager, community leader, and twenty years attending school board meetings, I have the skills to work hard controlling taxes while prioritizing investing in quality education.

REPUBLICAN

ELLEN MERCADO

MICHAEL OSER

Mt. Pocono

D.O.B.: 9/21/1953

EDUCATION: E.S.U., B.A. History

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Project Manager – Telecommunications Wireless Industry

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Elector within the District who has the time to devote to the position to insure a reduction and elimination of property taxes; Former Zoning Hearing Board – Borough of Mt. Pocono; Real Estate Sales Person; Notary; PARC Commissioner (current)

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Solving:

1. All employees must live in the school district;
2. Eliminate waste by combining administrative positions;
3. Investigate health insurance plans and have participants pay higher deductibles; (participants pay more);
4. Contract out all services to include administrators, teachers, janitors and etc;
5. Eliminate all paid sabbaticals;
6. Eliminate all paid re-imbusement for higher education degrees for all personnel;
7. Eliminate all programs that are considered day-care and baby-sitting;
8. Eliminate all building projects;
9. PAY-TO-PLAY SPORTS.

DOROTHY SIROLLY

MICHAEL A. STERN

Stroudsburg School District

School Director at Large

(Delaware Water Gap, Hamilton Northern, Southern,
Stroud One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six
Stroudsburg First Ward, Second Ward, Third Ward, Fourth Ward, Fifth Ward)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for not more than Four)

DEMOCRAT

WILLIAM WHITE

Stroudsburg

D.O.B: 12/25/1942

EDUCATION: Mansfield B.S.; ESU M.Ed +21

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired Teacher

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Teacher for 38 years; 36 in Stroudsburg;

Still involved in 5th & 6th Grade Boys and Girls intramural basketball program and coach of 7th and 8th grade boys program for the last 40 years; Director of Great Pocono Basketball Tournament; Dale Marsh Contribution to Youth Award; Perryman/Keglovits Award Law Day Liberty Bell Award

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Our district will continue to face enormous financial challenges! Increasing demands for excellence in education is accompanied at the same time by ever-present fiscal pressures. The renovation project must follow the same constraints. The superintendent, working with the board and the community, has the responsibility to administer within the financial limits established by the community. Accountability and transparency to our community remain an absolute mandate in the years ahead.

JOHN DeVIVO

Saylorsburg

D.O.B.: 5/19/1969

EDUCATION: 1991 Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, Bachelor Music Education; 2005 Wilkes University, Masters in Education

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Elementary Music Teacher, Pleasant Valley School District

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE: 16 years as an educator, currently the Music Dept. Chair

ANSWER TO QUESTION: As always, the most serious problem is one that will never

be completely resolved. It is the delicate balance between being fiscally responsible and giving our students the finest education possible. My experience as an educator, temperament, open mindedness, as well as my listening skills are well suited to making the important decisions which affect our community. I do not take very radical views and plan on being fiscally conservative.

RICHARD PIERCE

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 3/14/1960

EDUCATION: Graduate of Stroudsburg High School; graduate, numerous builders' certifying courses, Penn State University; fully certified in all phases of construction. //

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Thirty years as owner/operator of ***Richard Pierce Builder, Inc.*** a commercial construction company.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: I have operated a successful commercial construction company for over thirty years. I have had many years experience dealing with architects, project supervisors and contractors. I am knowledgeable regarding construction layout, land use, environmental abatement and wetland management.//

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The proper management of the proposed \$92,000,000 high school renovation/expansion project. I'm qualified to provide disinterested oversight of this costly project. Every other recently constructed school in the district has required hundreds of thousands of dollars in corrective work *after* the buildings had been approved for use. I believe I can contain if not reduce the cost of the high school and help avoid costly mistakes as well as insure lower future maintenance costs.

LAURIE WOODS

ROBERT YARNALL

Stroud Township

D.O.B.: 10/5/1968

EDUCATION: 2005, ESU B.A. Summa Cum Laude, Secondary Education

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Social Studies Teacher MCTI; Master Gunnery Sergeant, Marine Corps

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 4 Year Stroud Township Zoning Board; Founder and coordinator (8 years), Monroe County Toys for Tots; Awarded for leadership and Community Service by: U.S. Marines, Chapel of Four Chaplains, Monroe Bar Association

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Our district is facing difficult budgetary decisions and residents are struggling with increasing tax bills. I propose that we put more pressure at the state level to fund our schools on a per pupil basis. Additionally, Harrisburg and Washington must fully fund the mandates placed on our schools. When this is accomplished we will see real property tax relief. As a district we must continually look for ways to be more efficient at all levels.

CATHERINE A TYNEMOUTH

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 9/14/1962

EDUCATION: I have a B.S. in music education from West Chester University, 1986. I have a Masters equivalency and have taken post graduate classes at ESU.

CURRENT EDUCATION: I am a music teacher at Jim Hill Elementary School which is part of the East Stroudsburg School District. I have taught in East Stbg. for 26 years.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Member of ESEA, member of PMEA/MENC, past President of Ramsey PTA, past membership coordinator of Ramsey PTA.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: I feel that there are a number of serious issues that the Stbg. School Board needs to focus on: taxes, land acquisition and uniforms to name a few. However, as a tax payer and parent of a child who will be attending the high school in a year, my main concern is the high school renovation project. My concerns with this project are the time lines, the costs, especially with the delays, and the impact the project is having on the surrounding neighborhood.//

DE-ANA SUSINSKAS

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 10/10/1975

EDUCATION: 1998, Cedar Crest College, B.S. Accounting, Minor Economics, Allentown, PA; 1994, Stroudsburg Area School District

CURRENT OCCUPATION: V.P. & Relationship Manager in the Manufacturing at KNBT a division of National Penn Bank.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Based on my education and work experience, I have the skills needed to make decisions.

ANSWER TO QUESTION:

1. Growth through the 1990's to the present has left a large tax burden on the home owners. We need to pursue adequate school funding in Harrisburg warranted by our tax base and demographics.
2. Schools need consistent curriculum within each grade and the teachers need the administrative and financial support to accomplish this. Review current processes. Put procedures in place with fair share of funding and support. Support a synergy between district and taxpayers.

RODNEY BAECHTOLD, JR.

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 9/5/1958

EDUCATION: 1981 ESU, B.A. Economics, 1998, Lehigh, M.B.A.

CURRENT OCUPATION; Product Manager

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 25+ year's business management experience including, strategic planning, plan implementation, budgeting, cost management, Multi-million dollar capital projection justification, implementation and projection management experience. Knowledgeable of construction methods, mechanical systems and blueprints.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: FUNDING, for students, curriculum, personnel. Our budget has grown from \$60 million to \$86 million (7.6% per year for the past 4 years) not including debt financing for the \$92 million construction project. The budget will increase 17% over the next two years to FUND operations and debt financing. Every taxpayer will pay \$170 more tax for every \$1,000 of tax you pay today. I want to control taxes and FUND Education.

RICK CHANDLER

Stroud Township

D.O.B.: 08/29/1958

EDUCATION: King's College, BA, Math; Marywood University, MS, Math;

Xavier University, MBA, Business; Indiana University, EdD, Education

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Professor, Valley Forge Military College, ESU, NCC

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 20 years Business experience including working for large corporations, owning a small business;

Teaching experience at the K-12 level – 10 years;

Numerous awards for teaching, business achievement;

Board of Education – 6 years.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: We need to continue to provide high quality education, while we find ways to reduce costs and minimize taxes. We can supplement the excellent work of our teachers, staff and administration by utilizing volunteers, particularly parents and senior citizens. We need to apply for grants at the state and federal level as they become available, as we did for all day kindergarten. Currently, the state only pays about 21% of our budget so we need to demand that they pay a more equitable percent for our student's education.

REPUBLICAN

RICK CHANDLER

RODNEY BAECHTOLD, JR.

ROBERT YARNALL

WILLIAM WHITE

RICHARD PIERCE

LAURIE WOODS

Stroudsburg Borough

D.O.B.: 3/11/1961

EDUCATION: 1983, ESU, B.A.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Revenue Operations Supervisor, Jersey Central Power and Light, 22 years

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Stroudsburg School District School Director, 3 years; Served on the Transportation and Finance Committees; Member of the JOC of MCTI One Child in the District.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: There is one common denominator to the various problems we face in Stroudsburg. That is, fiscal responsibility. To that end we must make our expectations clear to administration and hold them accountable. In this economic climate

we owe it to all stakeholders to be frugal. I am afraid we are over extending ourselves to the point where program will suffer. Our community should feel comfortable and respected at public board meetings.

CATHERINE TYNEMOUTH
JOHN DEVIVO
DE-ANA SUSINSKAS

TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES

Monroe County boroughs and townships are listed in alphabetical order. All township and borough offices and candidates appear as they are listed on the ballot. Only candidates for township supervisors, mayor, borough council members, and tax collector were asked to complete the questionnaire.

For the office of mayor, council, and supervisor was, “What do you consider the most serious problem in your township or borough and how would you propose solving it?” Terms are four years for mayors and council members and six years for supervisors unless otherwise noted.

Candidates for all other township and borough offices are listed as their names appear on the ballot. Where there is a vacancy in the office and there are no candidates “No candidates on the ballot.” appears.

Barrett Township **Barrett One and Two**

Supervisor
(3 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

KAREN L. TETOR

Canadensis

D.O.B.: 5/26/1955

EDUCATION: 1977 Indiana University of Pennsylvania, B.S. English Education, 1981 Indiana University of Pennsylvania, M.A..English

CURRENT OCCUPATION: English teacher, Pocono Mountain East High School.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 31 years teaching experience; PMEHS English Department Chairperson. Chairperson Legislative Issues Committee, Pocono Mountain Education Association. Pennsylvania Association School Retirees Lauretta

Woodson Award for excellence in teaching.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: The villages of Barrett Township grapple with businesses struggling to survive and homeowners seeking to keep up property values. Over 20 business fronts are now vacant. Barrett's active community is forward-thinking in its vision. The township needs to help current and prospective businesses and homeowners realistically embrace and live up to with this vision. Providing assistance in obtaining permits, meeting codes, and maintaining properties can assure that Barrett flourishes as an attractive area.

REPUBLICAN

MICHAEL J. STIRR

Canadensis

D.O.B.: 1/2/1941

EDUCATION: Graduate-Churchman Business College, attended-ESU/Penn State Extension

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired-Director of Finance, Select Sire Power-Vice president of Finance, Banner Metals

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Past President, Pocono Mountain Jaycees, Advisory Board, Blue Cross of Northeastern PA, Executive experience: budget forecasting, labor relations, employee benefits, negotiating, insurances. Barrett Ambulance Corps, Treasurer, PARC, member.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: The citizens of Barrett Township have been successful in preserving its rural characteristics. The location of our township however presents an increasing challenge in providing emergency services to our citizens of all ages. It is critical that the township provides necessary funding for the Barrett Ambulance Corps as it does for the Fire and Police Departments. This solution would ensure that all residents have access to vital life saving and protective services when required.

Barrett One and Two

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

LOREE GUTHRIE

Canadensis

D.O.B.:

EDUCATION: B.A., B.S. – East Stroudsburg, U., M.A. – Marywood U., M.S. – East Stroudsburg, U., Ed.d – Temple U.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: assistant superintendent, Pocono Mt – School Dist. (retiring from the dist. June 30.)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: extensive experience in grant writing,

extensive experience in the budgeting process, developed district Strategic Plan, served on state board for Pupil Services, researched, organized, and start a number of unique educational programs and initiatives, life long resident of Barrett Township, participated in many cost savings studies

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Probably a serious problem facing Barrett Township is one which is reflective of current times everywhere. That is, the creation and support of a vision for the future of the township. This vision must be based on sustaining the delicate balance between conservation and controlled growth; additionally, the vision must be founded on realistic goals and objectives whose success can be measured. However, these goals and this vision must clearly reflect the wishes and concerns of the citizens of Barrett Township.//

REPUBLICAN

PAUL STOTSENBURG

Cresco

D.O.B.: 6/10/1939

EDUCATION: Quakertown Community High School, 1957 Vocational Woodworking

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Retired construction superintendent.

Knowledge of township planning and building codes. Road and site management including planning and development. Required to follow plans and budget from start to completion of projects.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: We need to balance a formula to renew businesses and industry. More communication between supervisors and business to work together for benefit of township. Need to prioritize township needs over wants. Supervisors need to work and maintain the uniqueness of Barrett Township in ways for our youth to remain here and not move away.

Tax Collector (Barrett One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

PHILIP SHALLER

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Judge of Election (Barrett One)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
JUDITH STILLINGER

Inspector of Election (Barrett One)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Tax Collector (Barrett Two)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
PHILIP SHALLER

Auditor

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Judge of Election (Barrett Two)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
JANIS FABOK
REPUBLICAN
DIANE PRICE

Inspector of Election (Barrett Two)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Chestnuthill Township

Chestnuthill One, Two, Three, Four

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

CHRISTOPHER ECKERT

Effort

D.O.B.: 5/3/1960

EDUCATION: Farleigh Dickinson Univ. – Certified Public Manager

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Commander, NJ State Fire Marshall’s Office – Arson/K-9 Unit

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Chestnuthill Twp. Planning Commission – 6 Years

President, Birches West Property Owners Association – 6 Years

West End Fire Company, Officer 17 years total (Chief 4 years, President 2 years)

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Chestnuthill Township has experienced extraordinary growth. Growth must be managed through careful planning both for residential and commercial development. Additionally, other aspects of the area must keep pace; roads, water supplies, sewage disposal and emergency services. I support reconstruction of the intersections of Route 209, 115 and 715. This would add turning lanes and widen chronic congestion areas caused by growth. I will work to fund projects through grants that lessen the burden to taxpayers.

MARK C HOFFMAN

Brodheads ville

D.O.B.: 8/6/1961

EDUCATION: Attended Pleasant Valley High School

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Caretaker for Buena Vista Cemetery

QUALIFICATONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Life Resident

ANSWER TO QUESTION: not given

Tax Collector (Chestnuthill One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JUNE O’NEIL

Auditor (Chestnuthill One)

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

KATHY LUTZ

REPUBLICAN

NANCY PARKS

Judge of Elections (Chestnuthill One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Inspector of Elections (Chestnuthill One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Tax Collector (Chestnuthill Two)

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JUNE O'NEILL

Auditor (Chestnuthill Two)

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

KATHY LUTZ

REPUBLICAN

NANCY PARKS

Judge of Elections (Chestnuthill Two)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JULIA CARTER

REPUBLICAN

MARIE MECKES

Inspector of Elections (Chestnuthill Two)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for one)

DEMOCRAT

WILLIAM O FOSTER

Tax Collector (Chestnuthill Three)
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
JUNE O'NEILL

Auditor (Chestnuthill Three)
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
KATHY LUTZ
REPUBLICAN
NANCY PARKS

Judge of Elections (Chestnuthill Three)
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)
No candidates on the ballot

Inspector of Elections (Chestnuthill Three)
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)
No candidates on the ballot

Tax Collector (Chestnuthill Four)
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
JUNE O'NEILL

Auditor (Chestnuthill Four)
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
KATHY LUTZ
REPUBLICAN
NANCY PARKS

Judge of Elections (Chestnuthill Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

MARTHA STOUT

Inspector of Election (Chestnuthill Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

BARBARA SNYDER

REPUBLICAN

SHIRLEY PETKUS

COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP

Coolbaugh Township One, Two, Three and Four

SUPERVISOR

(Vote for not more than Two)

(6 Year Term)

DEMOCRAT

ROBERT M. ZITO

Tobyhanna

D.O.B.: 8/26/1959

EDUCATION: 1981, College of Staten Island (CUNY), B.S. Economics

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Owner, RMZ Property & Management Consultants;

Licensed Pennsylvania Realtor

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Coolbaugh Township Supervisor, 2004-Present (Chairman 2006-2007);

Coolbaugh Township Auditor, 2000-2004;

Small business owner;

15 years of community involvement and volunteerism

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Like many other municipalities Coolbaugh Township is faced with a growing demand for services and a diminishing economic pie. During my first term I believe we have met that challenge. Unlike many other municipalities we have not raised property taxes. We are in the process of opening our "Community Services Center", an initiative which will house social service agencies locally at our Municipal Complex, allowing our residents more ready and convenient access to their services.

CLARE COLGAN

Tobyhanna

D.O.B.: 4/4/1959

EDUCATION: Graduate of Pocono Mountain High School

Operation LifeSafer – railroad Safety Instructor

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Assistant Manager with Raceway Management Co. Inc.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Current chairman for Coolbaugh Township Community Partnership Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission.

Vice-Chairman of Environmental Advisory Commission. Former President of Tobyhanna Athletic Association, Former School Bus Driver Instructor, Former Sunday School Teacher

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Meeting the challenge of providing quality services to township residents while maintaining a sound fiscal budget. Our future can be guided in a positive direction by focusing on sound environmental decisions, improved services, smart growth strategies, and Historic preservation. Quality growth will improve our tax basis without making a negative impact.

PAULETTE TABB-VELAZQUEZ

failed to reply

DOUG LLOYD

failed to reply

REPUBLICAN

JUAN JOHN ADAMS

Tobyhanna

D.O.B.: 2/3/1960

EDUCATION: 1984 Queensborough Community College, A.S. 2001 John Jay College

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Legislative Aide State Rep. Mario M. Scavello

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 3 Yrs. Representative for Coolbaugh Township. Dealing with constituents issues.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: Four issues of equal importance need addressing...!

- 1: Infrastructural – will work with Penn Dot to widen Route 196 and make it safer.
- 2: Jobs -work to attract companies which will create family sustaining jobs.
- 3: Taxes continually look at budgets and where possible reduce taxes.
- 4: Public safety work with PMRPD to address crime in Coolbaugh Township. As a retired sergeant with the NYPD I have experience implementing crime reduction strategies which will make our community safer.

ROBERT B. HUTCHINS

Tobyhanna

D.O.B.: not given

EDUCATION: Wallenpaupack H.S. Johnson & Wales College, B.S. Cum Laude – Hospitality Mgmt.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Vice-president, Centennial Homes, Inc.

QUALIFICATION FOR OFFICE: Eight years experience as current Supervisor. Five years experience as Pocono Mountain

Regional Police Commission Member, Last three years as Secretary. Past Board member, officer, President of Community Association of Pocono Farms, Vice-president Centennial Homes, Inc. Associate Broker Real Estate License. //

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: Since my first day as elected supervisor, I have maintained a strong position of fiscal responsibility. During these trying economic times its time to show Leadership. I have a proven record of being the voice of reason and maintaining fiscal restraint on the past and current Board of Supervisors. I will continue by being the watchdog/advocate for the residents/taxpayers of Coolbaugh Township.

Tax Collector (Coolbaugh Township One, Two, Three, Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

GRATZ WASHENIK

Auditor (Coolbaugh Township One, Two, Three, Four)

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

DANIEL A. FERGUSON

Judge of Election (Coolbaugh One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JAMES KINSLEY

Inspector of Election (Coolbaugh One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

DONNA KINSLEY

Judge of Election (Coolbaugh Two)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DOROTHY SIROLLY

Inspector of Election (Coolbaugh Two)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No Candidate on the ballot

Judge of Election (Coolbaugh Three)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DORIS HINES.

Inspector of Election (Coolbaugh Three)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Elections (Coolbaugh Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on ballot

Inspector of Elections (Coolbaugh Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on ballot

Borough of Delaware Water Gap

Mayor
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
WALTER CONWAY
Failed to reply

Council Member
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for not more than Four)

DEMOCRAT
PHILIP E FARER
Failed to reply

SUSAN WILSON
Failed to reply
GEORGE MUNN
Failed to reply

REPUBLICAN
WILLIAM BUZZARD
Failed to reply

Tax Collector
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
CHRISTINE FARBER

Judge of Election
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
RUTH A MACWILLIAMS

Inspector of Election
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
VALERIE L. HIGBEE

REPUBLICAN
JOAN B. POWLUS

Borough of East Stroudsburg

Mayor

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ARMAND MARTINELLI

Failed to reply

Council Member – First Ward

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

SONIA WOLBERT

Failed to reply

Tax Collector First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth Wards

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ALBERTA SUE TALLADA

Judge of Election (First Ward)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

TRUDY PIATT

Judge of Elections, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Sixth Wards

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Inspector of Election (First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Wards)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Councilmember Third Ward

(4 Year Term)

(Vote fore One)

DEMOCRAT

ROGER L. DELARCO

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 6/1/1958

EDUCATION: 1980, B.A. Economics (honors), E.S.U.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Director, University Store, E.S.U.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: East Stroudsburg Council, 19 years, President 11 years Chairman, Stroud Area Regional Police commissioner 9 years Monroe County Control Center BOD, 10 years, Chairman 8 years Greater Pocono Chamber of Commerce, BOD 10 years Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 2005 award

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The current state of the economy will renew interest in local jobs, retail services and recreation without long drives. We will need to be supportive of innovative ways to stimulate economic growth and revitalization in our community. A local, independent economic development organization could act in tandem with Council and other public agencies to coordinate and plan economic development, provide quality job opportunities to our citizens an enhance the quality of life in East Stroudsburg.

Councilmember Sixth Ward

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DONALD REPSHER

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 11/15/1946

EDUCATION: High School (12 Years)

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Owner Castings Unlimited, Inc.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: 8 years as Councilman 6th Ward, East Stroudsburg

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: With the economy in the state it is in, there is no reason for higher taxes. I would try my best to keep taxes from going Higher. There are a lot of retired people in East Stroudsburg on fixed incomes and that only puts a hardship on them.

REPUBLICAN

HENRY LESOINE

Failed to reply

Eldred Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

HELEN A. MACKES

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Auditor

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Auditor

(2 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

KAREN M ANTHONY

Constable

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

RICHARD H. SALTER III

Judge of Elections

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DONNA M. MACKES

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

VIRGINIA J. ANTHONY

Hamilton Township
Hamilton Northern and Southern

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DAVID FENNER

Sciota

D.O.B.: 7/9/1949

EDUCATION: 1981, East Stroudsburg University, B.A.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Secretary/Treasurer, Laborer, Hamilton Township

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Township Supervisor, 17 years;

Township Secretary/Treasurer, 13 years; Commercial Drivers License

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The continual growth of Hamilton Township and limited resources available to government place ever increasing demands upon township government which require an experienced supervisor. I will continue to serve as a supervisor accessible to all citizens and will provide positive and constructive leadership to provide the citizens of Hamilton Township with the experienced leadership and responsiveness required for effective township government.

REPUBLICAN

JEFF DESIND

Stroudsburg – Hamilton Township

D.O.B.: 4/26/1946

EDUCATION: Conn University – BS Marketing

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Marketing Director

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Owner of 2 Business, Math Teacher

Sr. Managing Director of an Investment Firm

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Our Board of Supervisors have been running the township

as they did decades ago. I believe it is time for our township's policies and attitudes to change. Decisions are made without regards to both new and long term residents. Meetings are held at 8:30AM or 4:00PM when the majority of residents are working. My qualifications as a leader can bring new perspectives and thinking to create a foundation for positive change.

Tax Collector
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
JUDI WARNER

Auditor
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
RODNEY L YETTER

Constable (Northern & Southern)

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ROBERT REHMAN

Judge of Election (Northern)
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
BARBARA MAGNANO

Inspector of Election (Northern)
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT
JOSEPH MAGNANO

Judge of Election (Southern)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election (Southern)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Jackson Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

DAVID B THOMAS

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 11/25/1964

EDUCATION: Graduated Pocono Mountain, 1982

Graduated Indiana Univ of PA: 1986

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Detective – Stroud Area Regional Police Dept.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Twp. Supervisor – 6 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The Economy – Due to current economic situations of residents, municipalities, including Jackson Township are faced with declining revenue & increased costs.

The only resolution is to priority expenditures without raising taxes to maintain infrastructure, equipment and facilities.

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

LEON A FRALEY, JR

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

MADELINE E EVERETT

Judge of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)
No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)
No candidate on the ballot

Middle Smithfield Township
Middle Smithfield Eastern and Western
Supervisor
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

HARRY WALSH

Marshalls Creek

D.O.B.: 12/18/1943

EDUCATIONS: William Paterson University BA English Education, University of Illinois MA English, plus all but dissertation for PhD, License: Master of Oceans, Freight and Towing (retired)

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired/self employed pr and tech writer

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: A skilled manager experienced as a college and university teacher, tug boat captain and self-employed writer.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Middle Smithfield needs to improve the alignment of growth with infrastructure and maintain our property values by protecting our community's natural beauty. We need to do what is economically feasible to undo the damage of previous irresponsible development and ensure the safety of our residents. In these economically stressful times there are no easy solutions. I have no personal agenda other than to do fairly what is best for our community and its residents.

JOHN PETRIZZO

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 1/22/1953

EDUCATION: 1970 East Stroudsburg Area School District – Graduated
1990 – Dept. of Community Affairs – Auditor Training Course Monroe County Vo-Tech
Basic Fire Fighter Training

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Small business owner

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Served on Middle Smithfield Twp. Original waster water committee. Served on MST committee to re-write billboard ordinance
Former Board of Trustees member Bushkill Fire Dept. Cognizant of planning and zoning issues.//

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Lack of Prosperity. The way to create prosperity is to create

jobs. This in itself would improve quality of life in our township. Creation of jobs should cut down on the number of people commuting to work, allowing them more time with their families. The Brookings Institute Study "Back to Prosperity" has blamed PA's financial failures on the townships', municipalities' & boroughs' fractured policies. The road to financial success begins at the township level with qualified individuals in office.//

REPUBLICAN

ANTHONY VALENTINO, JR

E. Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 10/11/1958

EDUCATION: 1980 BS EE

CURRENT OCCUPATION: TECHNICAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: I have been in management for over 25 years. I have owned several businesses. I feel I can bring a fresh approach to the office of Supervisor, and to have an open door policy, and to listen to residents concerns.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The main problem that I see is the limited access the residents have to participate in their local government, to have meetings that are commuter friendly. Also try to bring in corporations into the Township that can provide professional employment, so that residents will not have a long commute to their jobs. As Supervisor I will work with State, County and Local officials to make this happen.

MITCHELL K. MARCUS

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 5/26/1953

EDUCATION: 2002 Regis University, Denver, Colorado, MBA, 2000, University of the State of NY, B.S., 1989 Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter

CURRENT OCCUPATION: President, Mitchell Group Inc. Allstate Exclusive Agent, Director, The Insurance Institute of Pennsylvania, Deputy Waterways Conservation Officer, PAFB

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Society of CPCU, Treasurer, MCR&PC, Director, EMRPCV. P. Lake of the Pines Community Association

ANSWER TO QUESTION: One of our most serious problems is the increasing taxation of our citizens. To curtail this trend of "spend and tax" I would utilize responsible fiscal management in controlling township expenditures, seek ways to curtail unwarranted and unfair taxation, stop the takeover of private community roads, and seek out opportunities to encourage responsible business growth in an environmentally conscientious manner that will foster jobs and services that will bring in revenue to our township.

MICKEY ROTH

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 7/19/1955

EDUCATION: High School

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Excavator, Builder, Home Rehabilitator, Landlord

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Board of Directors of my development, 11 years Member St. Paul's Church Council, 5 months Member Middle Smithfield Township Municipal Authority, 2 years Current Chairman – Township Municipal Authority Self-employed, 25 years, Owner of two companies Resident, 38 years

ANSWER TO QUESTION: I feel the Township budget is the most pressing issue. Every serve provided by the township cost money. It's the supervisor's job to make this township more appealing to quality employers so they will make their place of business here. Free enterprise is key to a robust economy. By doing certain things, we can qualify for grant monies that would allow our township to expand services without increasing the burden on the people.

Tax Collector (Eastern and Western)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DAWN M. ARNST

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Constable

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for one)

REPUBLICAN

RICK PORVAZNIK

Judge of Election (Eastern)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JOYCE B BUSH

Judge of Election (Western)

((4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Inspector of Election (Eastern and Western)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Borough of Mount Pocono

Mayor

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

FREDERICK T. COURTRIGHT

Mt. Pocono

D.O.B.: 2/28/1965

EDUCATION: BSBA in Business Management, Xavier University (Cincinnati)

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Owner, The Permissions Company

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Planning Commission, Borough of Mount Pocono, Strategic Planning Committee, Business Owner, Homeowner

ANSWER TO QUESTION: High taxes: At the local level, party affiliation has no real affect on things but above us things are quite different. Democrats control the purse strings as you go up, and my party affiliation will be a benefit as I rattle as many doorknobs as possible to look for sources of new funding to keep taxes low. Indeed, more doors will open to me as a Democrat, and I intend to try them all.

REPUBLICAN

DANIEL C MCDAVITT

Failed to reply

Council Member

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for not more than Three)

REPUBLICAN

MARTIN J WALDENBERGER

Mt. Pocono

D.O.B.: 10/24/36

EDUCATION: BA Ursinus College

MA Lehigh University

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Member ZHB Salford Twp. Montgomery Cty 18 yrs. Member ZHB Mt. Pocono Borough Current – member Mt. Pocono Borough Council

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The most serious problem in Mt. Pocono is providing for the health, safety and welfare of all our citizens through the enactment and enforcement of Borough regulations, providing funding for police and fire protection, trash collection, maintenance of roads, all while keeping in mind the costs to our citizens.

JEFF W WOEHRIE

Failed to reply

JOHN P FINNERTY

Mt. Pocono

D.O.B.: 4/19/1953

EDUCATION: Pocono Mountain H.S. 1971 University of New Haven, B.A. 1976

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Township Manager Kidder Twp. Carbon County

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Borough Councilman 24 year, Community Manager 16 years

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: Continue to improve the “5 Points” intersection and other problems areas. As the crossroads of Northern Monroe County, traffic congestion is a big concern. I will continue to work with the other council members to make sure developers pay their “fair share” for the congestion which they create and the improvements necessary to alleviate the problem. As elsewhere setting aside open space is a big priority.

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JON PAOLETTI

Constable

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot.

Judge of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

RUTH C GROSS

Paradise Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

DENNIS E KEEBLER

Failed to reply

Tax Collector
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

WILLIAM RACZKO

FAY OPSHINSKY

REPUBLICAN

BETH A MARTIN

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

CHERYL PHILLIPS

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Pocono Township

Pocono One, Two, Three, Four

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JOHN T. BRAMLEY

failed to reply

REPUBLICAN

FRANK HESS

failed to reply

Tax Collector

Pocono One, Two, Three, Four

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

PATRICIA J. MICHAEL

Auditor

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election (Pocono One)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

ARLENE A. ROGERS

Inspector of Election (Pocono One, Two and Three)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Judge of Election (Pocono Two)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

VALERE L. MARROTT

Judge of Election (Pocono Four)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DIETRICH KATTERMANN

Inspector of Election (Pocono Four)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JUANITA L. HARRIS

Polk Township

Supervisor
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

GLENN S GREEN
failed to reply

REPUBLICAN

BRIAN K AHNER
Kunkletown
D.O.B: 9/23/1963

EDUCATION: 1981 Pleasant Valley H.S.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Polk Township employee/road maintenance

QUALIFICATION FOR THIS OFFICE: 14 years, township employee
23 years, Indian Mt. Rod & Gun Club secretary. Past member of the open space committee

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: I believe Polk Township should be more involved
within the community listening to the residents of the township, work in conjunction with
other groups like the fire company and reaching out to the youth of the community.

Tax Collector
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

CAROLYN MEINHART

Auditor
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

PHYLLIS CHRISTMAN

Judge of Election
(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRATI

DWIGHT IKE CHRISTMAN

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

SHIRLEY M HAYOT

REPUBLICAN

ALMA J. GREEN

Price Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

RICK MOSHER

E. Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 8/12/1950

EDUCATION: 1973 ESSC, B S Mathematics

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Logistics Manager

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Twp Supervisor 20+ yrs (sec/treas)

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The current state of the economy is our most serious concern.

The Annual Budget is the Key. It can't be something you look at just once a year. The solution actually occurred over the past several years, when the Board controlled spending during the good times to allow a reserve to cushion times like these. The Boards aim is to be fiscally responsible by not inflating revenue estimates and by scrutinizing all expenditures.

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

KATHY MOSHER KROLL

Auditor

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Judge of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Ross Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

TINA DRAKE

Failed to reply

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

SHARON A STEEN

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

DIANE DEBARRY

Auditor

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)
No candidate on the ballot

Smithfield Township
Smithfield One, Two, Three
Supervisor
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

VINCENT DELLA FERA

Shawnee on Delaware

D.O.B.: 2/14/1951

EDUCATION: University of Delaware, B.A.;

Graduate studies at Penn State University

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Computer Engineer

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Township Supervisor, 4 years. Liaison to township and regional park committees. Numerous charitable and civic activities.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Municipal government must do everything possible to economize during the current economic downturn to insure that our tax dollars are spent wisely. However, uncontrolled growth remains the single largest long-term problem in our township. We must continue to fight ill-conceived development schemes, while at the same time plan for environmentally responsible smart growth in the future.

republican

STEPHEN P. CAREY

East Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 7/18/1949

EDUCATION: B.S., Business Administration/Management, Shippensburg University.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Smithfield Township Roadmaster.

QUALIFICATIONS: 30 year resident with 35 years of financial management experience. Member of the Shawnee Fire company (30 years), United Way of Monroe County (20 years), Smithfield Township Emergency Management (15 years), Smithfield Township Supervisor (6 years), and Western Pocono Lions Club.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The national recession is affecting all Americans. When I left office in 2007, Smithfield Township had a cash surplus of approximately 2 million dollars. Since then, our surplus has diminished to approximately \$600,000. With my background in finance and past Supervisory track record, I will put Smithfield Township's finances back on track. As supervisor, I promise to maintain our surroundings by taking every opportunity to ensure tomorrow's Smithfield Township is as beautiful as today's.

Tax Collector (One, Two and Three)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

SHARON J. GERBERICH

Auditor

(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election (Smithfield One)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

RICHARD G CULLEN

Inspector of Election (Smithfield One)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

THEODORE ZAK

Judge of Election (Smithfield Two)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Inspector of Election (Smithfield Two)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election (Smithfield Three)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

MICHELE H. JACABELLA

Inspector of Election (Smithfield Three)

(4 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JEANNE OSTFELD
REPUBLICAN
LEE BOWER

Stroud Township
Stroud One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven
Supervisor
(6 Year Term)
(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN
ED CRAMER

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 8/23/1949

EDUCATION: 1967, Stroudsburg High School, 1970, United States Navy, 1974, ESU,
B.S. in Secondary Education

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Stroud Township Supervisor, Chairman, Stroud Township
Treasurer

QUALIFICATION FOR THIS OFFICE: Stroud Township Supervisor, 12 years
President, Varsity "S" Association; Chairman, Monroe County Planning Commission;
Chairman, Monroe County Litter Control and Beautification Board; Friends of Cherry
Valley,

Rotary Club of the Stroudsburg

ANSWER TO QUESTION: The most serious problem in Stroud Township is the
economic situation. Revenues at all levels of government have dropped significantly, yet
we need to continue to maintain services to our residents. We must cut unnecessary
expenditures and build a fund balance to prevent future tax increases in case of emergencies
or economic downturns such as we are currently experiencing. Other issues range from
pedestrian and traffic safety, storm-water management, protecting our natural resources,
and preserving our quality of life.

LARRY R SEERING

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 7/6/1950

EDUCATION: B.A. – 1972 – ESU – Economics, Political Science, Psychology

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Publisher & Property Management Consultant

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE:

17 Years Small Business owner: 1. Pocono Mts. Publications, LLC 2. Monroe Realty
Services, Inc., 14 Years County Government Experience (Sheriff's Dept.) 12 Years
Township Government Experience (Supervisor)

ANSWER TO QUESTION: There are certainly concerns such as dealing with Growth,
Traffic, Environmental Protection, the Revision of Ordinances, Etc. However, I feel the

most pressing issue right now is the cost of our township government. Tax increases affect everyone, and we need to get this increasing cost of government under control. In these trying times, our township government should be sensitive to the concerns of the people. With the right choices, our taxes could be less.

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

WENDY BOGART SHIFFER

Auditor (Stroud One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven)

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on ballot

Judge of Election (Stroud One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

MARINA WOOD

Inspector of Election (Stroud One)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ILONA KIERNAN

Judge of Election (Stroud Two)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JAMES P LYONS

Inspector of Election (Stroud Two)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

MAUREEN ROBINSON

Judge of Election (Stroud Three)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

petro calcara

Inspector of Election (Stroud Three)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on ballot

Judge of Election (Stroud Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRT

LARAINÉ GRANDE

Inspector of election (Stroud Four)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ALFRED F Ferullo, Jr

Judge of Election (Stroud Five)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JUDITH C FISKE

Judge of Election (Six, Seven)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election (Stroud Five, Six, Seven)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)
No candidate on ballot

Borough of Stroudsburg

Mayor
(4 Year Term)
Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

CHARLIE BAUGHMAN

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 7/29/1963

EDUCATION: B.S., M.S. Shippensburg University

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Active in a variety of community, county and regional organizations over the past 40+ years – a civic and professional organizer.

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Stroudsburg Borough is a built-out community while the demand for added services continues; added tax revenues are sorely needed to meet these needs. As a result, property redevelopment is needed & might be realized if zoning changes are implemented in portions of the boro. This activity is underway.

Downtown growth and revitalization are leading this effort. New buildings are being constructed, historic properties are refurbished, and new businesses are continually attracted to our core business district.

Council Member

4 Year Term)

(Vote for not more than Three)

DEMOCRAT

BOYD WEISS

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 5/10/1944

EDUCATION: Stbg. High School 1963, East Stbg. University, 1972

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Special Education teacher

QUALIFICATIONS OF THIS OFFICE: Stbg. Borough Council 4 years, PA. State Ed. Assoc. Board of Directors, 18 yrs., Chairperson of Personnel Committee 6 yrs., President Intermediate Unit Ed. Assoc. 37 years. Stroudsburg shade tree committee 8 years.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: The continued growth with the increased need and cost for municipal services and limited tax base. We need to encourage industry and business to relocate into the borough in order to relieve the tax burden on residential properties.

MATT ABELL

Failed to reply

JEFF EWEN

Stroudsburg

D.O.B.: 1966

EDUCATION: Purdue, B.S.; East Stroudsburg University M.A., M.P.H.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: history teacher

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Stroudsburg Borough Councilmember; Sewer and Recycling Committees; Borough newsletter editor; Stroud Area Regional Police Dept. Commission member

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Fiscal stability of the Borough.

Steps taken include: Using a different benefits manger to keep health care costs down; implementing an innovative plan for lighting in anticipation of electricity price increases; reducing hours at the recycling center while still providing recycling for Borough residents; improving the downtown to promote business growth (increase tax base), increase pedestrian safety, and make the Borough more attractive for current residents and those looking to relocate from other areas.

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

TERRY MC COOL

Judge of Election (First)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ANDREA M MC CLANAHAN

Inspector of Election (First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Wards)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot

Judge of Election (Second Ward)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Judge of Election (Third Ward)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

COLEEN SOLOTRUK

Judge of Election (Fourth Ward)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ROSE MARIE GERMAN

GRETCHEN RAGAZZO

Judge of Election (Fifth Ward)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

BERNARD FRANTZ

Tobyhanna Township

Tobyhanna Eastern and Western

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for not more than Two)

REPUBLICAN

JAMIE B KENNER

Failed to reply

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

LINDA L WOHRLE

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election (Tobyhanna Eastern)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Judge of Election (Tobyhanna Western)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

ALFRED KERRICK

Inspector of Election (Tobyhanna Eastern Tobyhanna Western)

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Tunkhannock Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JIM DAVENPORT

Blakeslee

D.O.B.: 10/18/1931

EDUCATION: Penn State University 1955. M.E.D. Educational Administration.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Township Supervisor. Ski shop owner

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Tunkhannock township supervisor 1 yr. 1958-1966 Elementary supervisor Pocono Mt. School District 1966-1972 Assistant Superintendent. 1972-1980 Superintendent of Schools PMSD Chairmen Planning Comm. Tunk twp. Member environmental action comm.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: Most serious concern in Tunkhannock Twp is communicating with the residents. We have attempted in the last 13 months since my appointment to encourage resident participation by being fair and friendly in reacting suggestions and concerns that come before the board. We encourage and solicit to problems that arise. The old adage applies that if we are not a part of the solution we are a part of the problem. Another concern is our ability to preserve the pristine nature of the community//

JOSEPH O'LALL

Long Pond

D.O.B.: 7/21/1971

EDUCATION: City College (CUNY) Electrical Engineer program

College of Aeronautics (La Guardia) – Aeronautic Engineer program.

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Computer consultant, Renewable Energy consultant

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS OFFICE: Emerald Lakes Association Board Director

ANSWER TO QUESTION: Our township needs to be run like a business and work

towards being self sufficient. Instead, it's on a very dangerous path toward severe financial debt.

We need to consider commercial ventures to enhance the tax base. We have to be creative in generating income for the township outside of the homeowners' tax base. Renewable Wind energy generation is one way the township can offset the tax base. It will stimulate the local economy and provide jobs.

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

DOLORES V SANTIL

LEE NORDLING

REPUBLICAN

KENNETH HENNING

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Auditor

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Judge of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

Inspector of Election

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidate on the ballot

PIKE COUNTY

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE 3 60-3-02

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JAY R ROSE

failed to reply

REPUBLICAN

JAY R ROSE

Jury Commissioner

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

GERTRUDE SMITH

REPUBLICAN

MARJORIE A WASSMER

**School Directors – East Stroudsburg Area School District
See Listing of Candidates under East Stroudsburg School District**

**Lehman Township
Lehman One and Two**

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

FRED S. TAYLOR

Failed to reply

REPUBLICAN

PAUL MENDITTO

Letter returned

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

ROSEANN E. VAN WHY

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

No candidates on the ballot.

Constable

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JOHN P. FRAWLEY

Porter Township

Supervisor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

JAMES MEGLINO

Tax Collector

(4 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

DEMOCRAT

JOAN HORGER

Auditor

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

MARY ANN MEGLINO

Constable

(6 Year Term)

(Vote for One)

REPUBLICAN

ORVILLE R. KLEPPINGER

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