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2019 Voter's Pamphlet



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Where can I return my ballot?



No Stamp Needed to return your ballot!

Return your ballot early. Post office closure times vary and your post office may not be open late on Election Night. Ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day to be counted.

Official Ballot Deposit Sites

- No postage required.
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Elma WA	Montesano WA
Oakville City Hall	Ocean Shores Convention Cntr
204 E Main St	120 W Chance a la Mer
Oakville WA	Ocean Shores WA
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Voting in Grays Harbor

Qualifications

You must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, a resident of Washington State, and not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington State felony conviction.

Register to vote & update your address

New voters may register in person up to Election Day at the Grays Harbor County elections department.

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(1)

Your ballot will be mailed to the address you provide in your voter registration.



vote by mail

(2)

Vote your ballot and sign your return envelope.



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Return it by mail or to an official ballot drop box by 8 p.m. on the day of the election. No stamp needed for this election!



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Your ballot will be mailed two weeks prior to the current election.

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Hospital District 2

Hospital 2 Commissioner District 3

(6-year term, Nonpartisan)



Richard Thompson

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: Licensed Psychiatric Technician, Registered Nurse, Nurse Manager

Education: Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Community Service: No information submitted

Statement: I have been a practicing registered nurse since 1999. In those years I have come to know, expect and demand exceptional quality care from providers and health networks that provide my carebe it from preventative care, routine health concerns, or hospitalizations.

Since moving to the area I have had the unfortunate experience of facing a layoff within a month of hire, watch the effects of constant changing middle management and general uncertainty effect the retention of staff and thereby the quality of care in nursing units. Face the reality that my property hospital tax dollars are now secured to pay the 30+ Million dollar debt of the Hospital District. I have had to face the reality that the closest provider employed by the hospital district is nearly 21 miles from my home.

I am seeking election to ensure the following: The area has a hospital; the hospital becomes financially sustainable, the hospital provide high quality care and quality services; the district does not forget that it is made of more than Hoquiam, Montesano and Aberdeen; the district provide quality preventative, maintenance, routine, and follow up care close to our homes. It is important that the community hold its elected officials and employees accountable to its performance against the organizational goals.

It is important to have a district that focuses on population health and be more innovative when encountering financial difficulties than asking the legislature for higher reimbursement rates. We achieve this by electing people to the board that we are sure will set and enforce policies to ensure proper focus on financial viability, quality care, and fulfills the health needs of the community. I believe I am the right person for this role.

For More Information:

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Lynn Csernotta

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA), 30+ years expertise in enterprise master patient index, process improvement, and data governance. Velocity Health, Health Information Consultant; IBM Initiate: Software Installations and US Healthcare Facilities Consultant; Director, Health Information Services: multi-hospital, community and teaching hospitals; Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Senior Research Associate. Health Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS); American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA)

Education: BS, Health Information Management, York College of Pennsylvania. Registered Health Information Administrator, RHIA

Community Service: Ambassador, Greater Grays Harbor. Volunteered: Chocolate Festival on the Beach, Relay for Life, HAVA. Medical Task Force Subcommittee, Seabrook.

Statement: Living full-time in Pacific Beach provides me a unique opportunity to represent and give a voice to the residents of North Beach/Ocean Shores. I have many of the same concerns you have such as having healthcare within a reasonable distance of where we live and having access to doctors and services as we age and want to continue to live in the North Beach and surrounding areas.

I decided to run for Hospital Commissioner, District 3 so I can work with others at a strategic level to support current and on-going efforts to preserve Grays Harbor Community Hospital for our residents and visitors.

I bring to the table a fresh set of eyes and new thinking. My health information education and extensive healthcare consulting career afford me the opportunity to share knowledge I've gained from working in and consulting for hospitals of all sizes throughout the country. I'll use my experience and education to assist in developing solutions to improve the financial viability of our community hospital.

I attend a national health information convention annually. I'll share information regarding access to healthcare in rural areas, technological developments in virtual medicine, and other related topics.

Open communication is key to representing you. I commit to meeting with constituents to listen to your concerns regarding access to quality healthcare in Grays Harbor. I'll strive to represent you with integrity and listen with an open mind and present your concerns to the Board of Commissioners.

The hospital provides much needed healthcare services and it's also one of the largest employers in Grays Harbor. Its viability is critical to the future health and well-being of all Grays Harbor residents. Serving as Hospital Commissioner will take hard work and I, as a dedicated healthcare professional, commit to serving you.

For More Information:

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Al Smith

Ballot Autobiography: I am a born and raised "harborite" and currently renovating the family residence in the Wishkah Valley. Following three tours in Vietnam; I married, and successfully raised a family of three. I spent 23 years with the ITT Rayonier Pulp Mill in Hoquiam until its closure in 1992. Following its closure I started my own business and have spent the last 27 years successfully operating that business.

Education:

1963 Weatherwax High School graduate Grays Harbor College - Study for AA Business Administration numerous fire protection and EMT training schools numerous trade schools in air/water heating systems Silk Road Solar array school

Community Service:

Vietnam veteran 1963 - 1966
Wishkah Valley Fire and Emergency Medical Service - 40 years
Wishkah Valley School Board Director - 5 years
Harbor Plywood Credit Union 1 year
Local 169 AWPPW Union Representative - 1971 - 1971
Harbor Mill Committee member (pulp mill restart group)
Wishkah Valley Flood Mitigation project
Grays Harbor Marine Resource Committee

Reason For Running: Being a volunteer most of my adult life and having a strong sense of moral dedication in helping our community I would consider it an honor and privilege to represent the community on the hospital's public board of commissioners. I am Al Smith and I am asking for your vote August 6th.

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Bill Simpson

No information submitted



Scott Dilley

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: Scott Dilley is Communication Director at Washington State Dairy Federation. Past Associate Director of Government Relations at Washington Farm Bureau. Fifteen years of experience in public policy and communications at non-profits. Serve on an energy committee at attorney general's office. Appointed to farm labor workgroups by two governors. Served on an L&I workers' compensation committee, on aviation biofuels workgroup, and on board of Verify More to promote election transparency.

Education: Graduate of Centre College, Danville, KY, 1999. Graduate of Assemblies of God Theological Seminary, Springfield, MO, 2001.

Community Service: Active church member. Parent volunteer for school activities, sports fundraisers.

Statement: I am running for Grays Harbor Public Hospital District 2 Commissioner because I want to ensure that our local hospital is on solid long-term financial footing and is delivering excellent, responsive, and customer-focused services to our local communities.

Like most people, I was alarmed when I heard Community Hospital lost \$12.4 million in 2018. The hospital has continued to lose money this year, despite increased funding from the Legislature. The hospital chose to outsource dozens of jobs to India and Utah rather than keep those jobs here. And we are still in dire need of recruiting and retaining medical providers.

The District and Community Hospital need bold, creative leaders to meet these financial challenges head-on and lay out a vision for the future.

As a hospital commissioner, I will prioritize complete financial reviews and transparency. I will push for an honest conversation about why medical providers and other staff are leaving. And I will work to ensure all parts of the district have access to local health care services.

I am no stranger to complex and complicated issues. I have more than 15 years of public policy experience dealing with the Legislature, working with coalitions, and seeking common-sense solutions. I favor a collaborative approach to solving problems and finding a workable path forward.

We all have a vested interest in making the hospital district and its services strong, vibrant, and successful. Now is the time for tough questions, informative analysis, solid plans, and bold actions. We all need a healthy Community Hospital, and I'm excited to help preserve and improve our vital health care services in Grays Harbor.

For More Information:

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Melanie L. Sturgeon

Hello,

My name is Melanie Sturgeon and for the last 2 years, I have served our hospital and community in the capacity of your Grays Harbor Hospital 2, Position 2 Commissioner.

As one of three commissioners currently serving on the Hospital Board's Quality Committee, I have been granted the rare opportunity to hear of all the admirable works that our hospital and staff has been doing to make our patients' stay as safe and as comforting as possible.

During these financially challenging times, I have not only voted to uphold my fiduciary responsibilities, but I have also voted to help keep Grays Harbor Hospital viable and strong, so that it may continue to serve this community for years to come.

I believe in the strengths and the services that are hospital provides this community and I believe in the extraordinary staff at Grays Harbor Community Hospital. I want to continue to help support our Community Hospital so that it cannot only survive but thrive. It is for these reasons that I am asking for your vote.

Thank you, Melanie Sturgeon

City of Aberdeen

Mayor (4-year term, Nonpartisan)



Tawni Andrews

Other Professional Experience: Mayor Biography I have been married to my husband since 2008 and together we have a blended family with 5 children. Recently, I was able to pursue my dream of becoming a trained Chef and have continued to hone my skills on the line at the Ocean Crest Resort. I heard the calling to civic duty in 2014 and am currently serving my third year as City Council President. I had the opportunity to complete both Fire Ops 101 and the West County Citizens Academy which were crucial to understanding the commitment of our fire and police personnel.

Statement: Today's government needs to be proactive in taking care of issues as they arise. The 'let's wait and see what happens' and 'this is how we've always done it' approaches are ineffective and put us into a reactive state. We need to be in front of the issues and deal with them head on. If we see a problem arising, or a pattern forming, we need to come up with a plan or solution before it gets beyond our control.

Yes, the homeless and opioid crises are nationwide problems, and it would be unrealistic to think we could solve these problems. However, we can take steps to manage the problems that we have before us. Unfortunately, we are limited in some of our responses due to court restrictions. But if we can do the proper amount of research into what other communities are coming up with, we can learn from them and take appropriate steps.

I proposed both AMC 12.41.010 Sitting or lying on public sidewalks in downtown commercial zones and AMC 9.02.050 Restriction of solicitation as to place, and against coercive methods after researching what other cities had passed. I learned that you must be specific when passing legislation, vague legislation is no longer acceptable.

We have excellent city staff already in place, and we need to empower them on all levels to engage in the process of running our city.

City Government needs to engage with its citizens more, and we need to find new ways to engage with the community such as live streaming meetings and holding more town hall meetings. I also feel that the mayor should have some set hours for the community to engage her/him. Let's move Aberdeen forward together

For More Information:

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Pete Schave

Biography: I've lived in Grays Harbor all my life. I drove trucks for years in the wood products industry. I am married to my best friend, Bunny with 4 amazing adult children and 7 wonderful grandchildren.

Elected Experience: I've served on Aberdeen City Council for 18 years, elected Council President for two years.

Education: I am a proud graduate of Wishkah Valley High School, and Grays Harbor Community College.

Community Service: I have served on the Board of the Union Gospel Mission for nearly 30 years and am currently the President. I am the Vice Chair of the Coastal Community Action Program.

Statement: As an 18-year veteran of Aberdeen City Council, I have had the pleasure of participating in some of Aberdeen's amazing successes, such as sidewalks by MJH, the growth of a healthy financial surplus, and some great improvements to our streets.

Unfortunately, I've also witnessed a decline in staff morale, neglected projects, and unwise priorities. These observations led me to run for Mayor. Public Safety is my highest priority. If your family or home aren't safe, nothing else matters. Additionally, I support improving our community's infrastructure. All Aberdeen citizens and our guests deserve clean, abundant Water, strong Sewers, safe sidewalks, and quality roads. Finally, I support the City actively working to gain a good job for everyone who wants to work. I am asking for your vote.

For More Information:

Committee to Elect Pete Schave (360) 581-0041 pschave@msn.com



Erik Larson

Elected Experience: Mayor of Aberdeen

Other Professional Experience: Licensed Professional Engineer, Senior Engineer at Vaughan Company, Inc.

Education: Associate of Science in Pre-Engineering, Grays Harbor College, 2010. Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Washington State University, 2012.

Community Service: Board Member, YMCA of Grays Harbor; Aberdeen Rotary Club Member

Statement: During the four years I've served as mayor, we have faced many challenges together, and have made great progress. We have also improved our relationships with our state and federal partners, securing significant additional state funding for a variety of projects here in Aberdeen. From additional funding to improve public safety, to miles of new roadway and sidewalks, we have made great progress in improving our community.

In addition to the state and federal government, it's been a priority of my first term to work with our neighboring cities and counties to protect our community from the devastating effects of flooding. With the North Shore Levee project, we are doing just that.

We have also seen strong growth in our local economy, and I will continue to support our local business community. With sustained growth each year, supported by job growth and new businesses, our community is moving forward. We have a lot to be proud of, but there is still a lot more work to be done.

The struggles of homelessness and drug addiction are not just an Aberdeen problem, but we cannot look the other way, nor should we act without compassion. We must continue to work with other cities, the county, and non-profit organizations to address these challenges. Solutions that victimize those in need, or worsen impacts on our neighborhoods, schools, and businesses are not solutions at all. Even when it has been difficult, I have taken bold actions to begin to address the public safety crisis that this issue presents us.

We must continue to move our city forward — even when it is difficult and involves change. I'm ready, and I ask for your vote to continue serving you in leading our city as we take on these challenges, together.

For More Information:

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> No Photo Submitted

Aberdeen Council Ward 4

Position 8 (4-year term, Nonpartisan)



Tara Mareth

Elected Experience: none

Other Professional Experience: Hewlett Packard Finance Department, Spring TX, administrative assistant. University of Texas McGovern Medical School, Houston TX, Microbiology Department administrative assistant and grant writer. Singers Company Director, Aberdeen WA. All Star Driving School, Aberdeen WA. Business Administrator, marketing and PR.

Education: Brigham Young University-Idaho Communications Major. Minor in Psychology.

Community Service: Member of 7th Street KIDS board since 2010. Adult and youth Sunday School teacher, childrens organization teacher, Womens organization (Relief Society) presidency. 12-18 yo. Young Women's president. Aberdeen Bloom Team volunteer. Comcast Cares volunteer. Clean up volunteer at the Grays Harbor Historical Seaport. As your city council candidate for Aberdeen's Ward 4, Position 8, I plan to represent the citizens in my Ward and throughout the City as a liaison and advocate to the City of Aberdeen and its council.

Statement:I look forward to working with the City Council and Administration in a synergistic and collaborative manner, while focusing on the following:

Establishing and abiding by a fiscally responsible budget that best utilizes our current available resources.

Supporting economic development & revitalization, by ensuring business friendly processes and policies that will enable growth and revitalization from the private sector and citizens.

Partnering with the County and State to reduce area homelessness and address local behavioral health and drug related concerns and implement lasting effective solutions of the same.

Work with seat mates to establish policy whereby our city parks and public spaces will be properly maintained and provide access to a clean, healthy and hospitable recreational environment for our community as a whole.

On a personal note, I love our harbor home and I am proud to reside in Aberdeen with my husband and six amazing children. I have served with the youth organizations of our church since 1997 and have been a volunteer and board member locally with the 7th Street KIDS organization since 2010. In my spare time I enjoy nature, reading, teaching music, attending and volunteering with local theater, and social activities.

Sincerely,

Tara Mareth taramareth@gmail.com 360.581.8745



Deborah Ross

Biography: My name is Deborah 'Debbi' Ross and I am running for Aberdeen City Council in Ward 4, Position 8. I moved to the Harbor in 1990 with my family and raised 3 daughters here with my husband, Randy. I grew up in a small community in northeastern Washington but have grown to love Aberdeen and all it has to offer.

Elected Experience: This is my first run for political office.

Other Professional Experience: My working background has centered on banking and bookkeeping over the past 40 years. I ran my own Home Day Care Business for 10 years while my daughters were young and was the Christian Education Director at our church for several years. I am currently employed as the Bookkeeper in a local law firm - a job I have enjoyed for over 20 years.

Education: After high school graduation I obtained a 2-year clerical degree. I did additional college course work at Grays Harbor College when I moved to Aberdeen.

Community Service: I have given a good portion of my life volunteering in the communities where I lived. Locally I have been a Relay for Life Team Captain as well as a volunteer, officer and board member for Habitat for Humanity of Grays Harbor. I most recently joined the Budget Advisory Committee for the Aberdeen School District.

Candidate Statement: I want to be your next city council representative for Ward 4, with a FOCUS on the FUTURE of Aberdeen.

As a council member I am here to represent my ward and the other citizens of Aberdeen; to find ways to deal with our challenges and support growing our business base, develop affordable housing opportunities and spur private investment in our community.

I am accustomed to working hard and staying busy. I know how to focus on goals and plan for the future while dealing with day to day challenges.

I see the city of Aberdeen for what it can be, not for what it has become. As your city council representative, I will bring working experience, realistic expectations and a commitment to making Aberdeen a better place to live.

Campaign Contact Information:

Deborah Ross for Aberdeen City Council Ward 4 514 Bel Aire Avenue Aberdeen, WA 98520 360-581-7242

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Facebook: Deborah Ross for Aberdeen City Council



Margo Shortt

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted

Education: No information submitted

Community Service: No information submitted

Statement: I, Margo Shortt, am seeking reelection to the Aberrdeen City Council representing Ward 4. I want to help move to completion a number of projects started since I was first elected to Council and to advocate for other opportunities to benefit our City and our Ward.

Aberdeen is a city slowly making progress, but not without problems. The situation with our homeless population is without easy solutions. As a city, we have need of immediate infrastructure improvements in the areas of police and fire structures and equipment. Elements of our public works facilities are constantly requiring repair or replacement because of their unending daily use and/or regulatory requirements. Personnel in all of our departments deserve up-to-date working conditions and appropriate pay.

All of this takes dollars and Aberdeen citizens have been supportive. My attitude continues to be one of prioritizing our needs to fit the financial situation. My background of 36 years as a teacher gave me much experience in dealing with a variety of folks and situations. I want to continue representing interests and needs the citizens of the 4th Ward on the Aberdeen City Council.

For More Information:

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City of Cosmopolis

Mayor (4-year term, Nonpartisan)

No Photo Submitted

Mark Collett

Elected Experience: I spent 8 years as a director on the Cosmopolis School Board.

Other Professional Experience: I have worked in Law Enforcement as a Corrections Officer for 26 years.

Education: 2 years of college

Community Service: No information submitted

Statement: I want to revitalize the waterfront, complete the Police station/ City Hall complex and repair

the sidewalks damaged in the 2001 earthquake so that people can walk safely.

For More Information:

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mkc11165@yahoo.com



Kyle Pauley

Elected Experience Other Professional Experience**

2015-Present - City of Cosmopolis - Appointed to City Council to fill Mayor Chestnut's vacant seat; elected by voters in 2015 General Election

2001-Present - Alpha Media Grays Harbor - Program Manager | Morning Show Host | News Director

Education:

Graduated 2000 - Wishkah Valley High School 2000-2002 - Grays Harbor College - Associate of Arts 2018-Current - Grays Harbor College - Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Management

Community Service:

2013-2019 - Coastal Harvest Board of Directors; Past Vice-President
2010-2019 - Hoquiam Business Association; Past President of the Board
2015-Present - Grays Harbor #52 Free & Accepted Masons - Senior Deacon | Master Mason
Dec 2001 - Present - Miss Grays Harbor Scholarship Organization - Board of Directors

Statement: As Mayor of Cosmopolis, I will do a number of things.

First and foremost will be to ensure the continued forward growth of the city, its procedures, and the policies that drive it. This will be done through ongoing optimization of the current processes and the implementation of best practices where appropriate. I will modernize the current Cosmopolis Municipal Code to ensure that the city is not being governed by outdated or inefficient rules that do not apply to the citizens or current times, as well as making our internal operations run smoother by implementing new applications for project tracking.

Utilizing state and other resources, I will look to increase accessibility to the Cosmopolis boat launch. This could include installing boat launching updates or access points that could be used by any resident or visitor.

I will work to bring the Cosmopolis Police Department out of a temporary facility and into a proper structure that better suits the needs to enforce laws within our city as well as work work with the Cosmopolis Fire Department to make sure the safety of both our citizens and our volunteers are properly sufficient and equipment is updated as frequently as possible.

I will promote our city and highlight its features through online and other advertising. There is no reason why our parks are not being fully utilized by a greater number of the thousands of regular cars that move through the 101 corridor. This would be done through proper signage and marketing and aggressive updates on the grounds.

I have the knowledge, I have the experience, I have the drive, and I have over a decade of experience researching local government and creating relationships within our community that will allow me to be a strong representative for Cosmopolis in any discussion.

Campaign Contact Info

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Steve Davis

Elected Experience: Formerly served as Councilmember Cosmopolis City Council. (1997-2001)

Other Professional Experience:

Construction Estimating & Building Management Nor-Cat Inc.

Former Small business owner

Former Professional NHRA & NASCAR crew member/crew chief

Education:

Cosmopolis Elementary Weatherwax High School (1979) Grays Harbor College Magna Cum Laude University of Hard Knocks (Still Enrolled)

Community Service:

Cosmopolis Lions Club
Cosmopolis Fire Department
Denny York Cosmopolis Fire Museum

Statement: I have a very long history of community service and involvement in Cosmopolis & Grays Harbor area.

I will continue to be a strong advocate for the citizens of Cosmopolis in the area of Health and Public Safety.

Our Police, Fire and Emergency Medical responders in Cosmopolis as well as the other neighboring communities and unincorporated Grays Harbor continue to be pushed to their limits. We as a community must work together through community education and proper fiscal policy. This will ensure our responders will have the proper training, equipment & resources necessary to provide services when called upon to respond.

We are fortunate to have a solid, long term staff working for the city of Cosmopolis. The citizens have made a major investment in the knowledge and abilities of our capable employees. Keeping our current staff will be a major priority as Mayor. I will continue to work with new business ventures in our city while supporting and working alongside the existing business in our community.

I sincerely appreciate all of your support. I am asking your vote for Mayor of Cosmopolis.

Steve Davis

No Photo Submitted

City of Elma Resolution NO. 562

RESOLUTION NO. 562

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF ELMA OF A PROPOSITION TO BE VOTED ON THE 6^{TH} DAY OF AUGUST, 2019, TO AUTHORIZE FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MORE ADEQUATELY FUNDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

RECITALS:

- 1. The City of Elma maintains a police department for the protection of its citizens, visitors and businesses.
- 2. For the prior three years, the Citizens of the City approved a one year levy. The funds received from the passage of those levies has allowed the City to maintain the current, but understaffed, operational levels of the Police Department. In each of those years the commitment to utilize all moneys collected as the result of the authorization of that levy for the funding of the Police Department has been honored by the City.
- 3. During the course of the preparation of the 2019 budget and thereafter, there has been a continuing review of the fiscal needs associated with maintaining a high level of customer service while enhancing the Police Department's staffing levels.

The result of that review confirms that, absent the additional funding provided by a similar levy, the current level of funding capabilities continue to make it impossible that the City would be able to enhance the existing level of staffing and operation of the Police Department.

- 4. The Council, Mayor, and City staff have reviewed possible alternatives to provide funding so as to enhance the Department's level of operations and personnel. As was true in those prior years, that review has included the impact of the City's inclusion in the Timberland Library District upon the level of property tax which would otherwise be available and possible voter authorized funding sources, including a levy lift under RCW 84.55, pursuant to RCW 84.55.050, and a levy authorized under RCW 84.52.052.
- 5. The Council and Mayor have determined that the most effective alternative continues to be to submit a proposition to the voters requesting the authorization of a special levy, under RCW 84.52.052 as laid out in the following recitals, with the sole purpose of generating an increase in revenue for the year 2020 in the approximate amount of \$250,000.00. All funds received from such increase are to be used to aid in the financing of the operational level and expansion of personnel of the City's Police Department for the year 2020.
- 6. The City has been provided information by the Office of the Grays Harbor County Assessor as to the current levels of assessment and the levels which would be required to achieve that goal. Thus, to achieve the goal the Mayor and Council wish to submit to the voters a proposition authorizing the following:

A special levy, as authorized by applicable law, including RCW 84.52.052 and RCW 84.55.050, so as to generate \$250,000.00, such increase estimated to be \$0.98 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, such actual rate necessary to collect that rate to be established by the Office of the County Assessor, for collection in 2020 only.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELMA, THE MAYOR SIGNING IN AUTHENTICATION THEREOF:

SECTION I: There shall be submitted to the voters of the City of Elma at that certain election to be held on the 6th day of August, 2019, the following proposition:

A special levy, as authorized by applicable law, including RCW 84.52.052 and RCW 84.55.050, so as to generate \$250,000.00, such levy estimated to be \$0.98 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, the actual rate to be established by the Office of the County Assessor, for collection in 2020 only.

SECTION II: In furtherance of the actions authorized by Section I, the Council does hereby approve and adopt the following ballot title:

Levy to Partially Fund Police Services for 2020

If approved, this proposition shall aid in maintaining adequate funding for the operations of the Police Department. Shall the City of Elma be authorized to collect in 2020 only a total of \$250,000.00 in excess property taxes at \$0.98 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation or such rate as may be established by the County Assessor as necessary to generate this amount for the sole purpose of more adequately funding the operations and expansion of personnel of the Elma Police Department?

Yes: No:	
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SECTION III: The Mayor and Clerk-treasurer shall be authorized, to the extent allowed by law, to make such changes in the title and contents of the proposition, including the per one thousand dollar rate, necessary to provide for the collection of \$250,000.00 as to the Proposition, as may be necessary to meet the requirements of State Law, Office of the County Auditor, or the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney. This authority shall include to certify a copy of this resolution to the Auditor and to perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to the end that these propositions described herein should appear on the ballot at the primary election specified in Section I.

<u>SECTION IV</u>: For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot propositions required by RCW 29.36.080, the Council designates Diana Easton, Clerk-treasurer, as the individual to whom such notice should be provided.

PASSED THIS 15th DAY OF APRIL, 2019, by the City Council of the City of Elma, and signed in authentication thereof this 15th day of April, 2019.

City of Hoquiam

Mayor (4-year term, Nonpartisan)

No Photo Submitted

Greg Grun



Ben Winkelman

Elected Experience: 2008 - Current - Elected to Hoguiam City Council

Other Professional Experience: Excellence for the Future Award in Family Law from CALI; Family Law Section of the Washington State Bar Association Executive Committee (2007-2013, Section Chair 2011-2012); "Best Attorney" in 2012 Best of Twin Harbors;

Education: Montesano High School 1993; Grays Harbor College - AAS; Washington State University - Bachelor of Science; Gonzaga University School of Law - Juris Doctorate 2003

Community Service: Hoquiam Development Association Board Member (2002-2005, President 2005); Hoquiam Business Association Board Member 2005 - 2016, President 2013; Newrizons Federal Credit Union Board Member 2010-Current, President 2011- 2017, VP 2018, Youth Soccer Coach

Statement: We expect the Mayor to be an experienced and respectful leader who builds successful partnerships, is focused on addressing our most pressing needs, and a person that brings out the best in citizens and city employees.

Since 2008, I represented Ward 4, serving on the Public Safety and Law, Regulatory, Public Utilities, and Watershed Committees. For 12 years, I focused on fixing our aging roads, water, and sewer systems. I worked to maintain our parks and support new beautification projects around the city. I increased support for our small and large businesses.

As your next Mayor, I will stay focused on a keeping Hoquiam a great place to live, work and play. I will bring proven leadership to build better partnerships with our neighbors, to continue consolidation efforts that make sense and improve our community and region. I will apply my experience as a youth coach, business owner, and lawyer to improve the safety and desirability of Hoquiam.

My family is deeply rooted in Hoquiam. My wife was born and raised in Hoquiam. I grew up in Camp Grisdale, one of the last live-in logging camps in the lower 48 states. I graduated from Montesano High School and returned to live in Hoquiam after graduating from Gonzaga Universioty School of Law. My wife and I are proud to raise our three children in our hometown. Our community's rich history should be celebrated, and the healthy roots of our friendly city need to be nurtured for future generations.

Thank you for your support. I look forward to serving you as our next Mayor. – Ben

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Jasmine Dickhoff

City of Ocean Shores

Mayor (4-year term, Nonpartisan)



Dan Marlowe

Elected Experience: N/A

Other Professional Experience: Dan started business ownership more than 40 years ago. He now owns and operates the Sunny Beach Café in Ocean Shores. Dan is also a home builder and is actively engaged in contributing to increased housing availability.

Education: Hawaii Pacific University

Community Service: Veteran of the United States Air Force. Dan is a supporter of organizations such as Northwest Harvest; focused on providing food for families in need. He has also supported the Millionaire's Club and Union Gospel Mission with job opportunities and employment for homeless, under-employed veterans and others re-entering the workforce.

Statement: The city government and people of Ocean Shores can do better in meeting our community's needs. Fiscal responsibility must be identified and adhered to; without political motivation or agenda. Homelessness, addiction and mental illness are on the rise, housing costs are consistently increasing, and infrastructure is a major concern. Elect me, and I'll provide strong leadership for creative solutions to these problems. We must balance the budget and protect emergency reserves. We must find regional strategies to address housing costs and availability. We must find better ways to provide emergency and safety-net services to our community. And we must strike the right balance between property rights and conservation efforts as the city grows.

I have been a business owner for more than 40 years and have established and subsequently sold four successful operations. I am a passionate advocate of sound financial management, collaborative problem solving, and careful stewardship of our natural resources. When there are opportunities for efficiency, thoughtful planning and sound budgetary management; I find those opportunities and help provide solutions that make sense – now and in the future.

A vote for me is a vote for the future of Ocean Shores.

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Carlos Roldan

Statement: Ocean Shores First Mexican American Navy Veteran Mayor Candidate. Committed to Knocking on Our Politicans Front Doors, City Projects Our Taxpayers can Live With, Summer Community Night's bring Residents Together, and Open Door Policy. Time has Come for New EYES in Our City Leadership from City Operations to Tourist Event's That bring in DOLLARS to Our Local Businesses. Visit my Website for Meet & Greet Dates. To All Registered Voters, Time for New EYES, New MAYOR. Mark Your Ballot - Carlos Roldan

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Crystal Dingler



Susan Conniry

Elected Experience: Council Member, City of Ocean Shores. 2018-present. Director, Governing Board, Lakeside Fire Protection District. 2010-2014.

Other Professional Experience: Planning Commission Member, City of Ocean Shores. 2014-2017. Member, Grays Harbor County Board of Equalization. 2016-2017. Member, Heartland Communications Facility Authority. 2010-2014. CEO Backyard Tourist, Non Profit Educational Organization. 2000-2016. Disaster Response Trainer. 1997-2006

Education: San Diego State University. Graduated manga cum laude, 1979. Applied Bachelors - Telecommunications and Film. Grossmont College. AA, 1977.

Community Service: Volunteer, Fourth of July Clean Up. Volunteer, Green Lantern Lunch Program. Volunteer, Convention Center festivals. Volunteer, North Beach Senior Center.

Statement: You and I have something in common, we live in a unique location, and have unique issues and goals. Working together, we will determine an exciting and innovative vision for our future. A vision that will strengthen and energize our community and guide us through the ups and downs of economic, social and political change. A vision based on equity and inclusion.

You deserve a pro active Mayor, one who cares enough to listen and learn from everyone. There is a wealth of knowledge, experience and skill in our city. Everyone values the opportunity to be heard and I will encourage you to speak about things you like and things you don't. To share with me how decisions will affect you and your families. My job is to make your life better!

I will continue weekly forums and have town halls. We will hold regular conversations with our regional, state and federal partners. There will be numerous opportunities for you to join citizen advisory committees and task force groups.

The people of Ocean Shores deserve a leader who listens. Together we will invest in ourselves and our city. There are a lot of changes coming and working as a team to protect our health, safety and our environment, we will manage growth, support our schools and businesses, encourage economic development, maintain what we already have, keep a keen eye on our seniors struggling on social security and our young people striving for a better life, and simply make sure that every singe person wakes each day, grateful they are here, at the beach!

As a public servant, I will work to uphold my oath of office. I am passionate about our community, committed to you, the citizens I serve and excited about the future.

Your Vote is Your Voice!

City of Ocean Shores.

Mayor
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Frank Elduen

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: I have 43 years experience in the electrical construction industry. My work as an electrician, foreman, superintendent, and union organizer required a wide range of skills. I have a proven record of leadership skills, self motivation, and resourcefulness. I have worked well with different groups to reach goals and complete projects and public works on time and under budget.

Education: No information submitted

Community Service: It is important to be involved in the community. I'm a volunteer coach for North Beach HS track; VP of North Beach Booster Club; North Beach long-term facilities committee member; KOSW Radio Board secretary; KOSW volunteer disc jockey.

Statement: I believe our local government should be transparent, responsive, and accountable. The citizens should have a right to be involved with any decisions that may impact their health, daily living, or pocketbook. Elected officials should engage with the community and listen to their concerns and issues. Town hall meetings would be a good start, and these meetings should be held monthly, not just during election season.

I believe our children are the future and supporting our students and schools uplifts communities. This is why I volunteer for North Beach schools. I have also been involved in many dog activities and AKC events over the years and I believe that there should be an official dog park in town.

I am committed to this community and I share in the issues and concerns of my neighbors. I feel I can contribute positively to help Ocean Shores work on issues such as financial stability, a healthy environment, and managed growth.

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Richard Wills

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Twenty-four years active army, retired as Army Air Defense First Sergeant. Self-employed computer consultant. EMT. Fitness instructor / aerobics business owner employing 12 to 16 instructors. Assistant gym manager for 11 years in Friday Harbor, Wa. Handyman. Massage Therapist specializing in chronic pain management.

Education: Associate Degree in general business from El Paso Community College. Bachelor of Science in computer information systems from Park Extension College.

Community Service: Planning Commission, Ocean Shores, Wa. Freshwater ways corporation trustee, Ocean Shores, Wa.

Statement: I strongly believe in America's Constitution and Bill of Rights as they are written. I value equal opportunity and fairness for everyone, honesty, integrity, and hard work. I rely on research, facts and data to form and update my opinions. I express my views and conclusions on several subjects in blogs you can read at: www.rwills4shores.website.

Until Ocean Shores, moving every few years has been a constant in my life. Ocean Shores is the first community where, with my wife Alex and new standard poodle puppy, I have been putting down permanent roots. I have contributed hundreds of extra volunteer hours in my roles of Commissioner and Fresh Waterways trustee developing a user friendly spreadsheet for public works, teaching myself, then implementing complex MS Word formatting for the draft Comprehensive Plan and removing dangerous trees and branches from our waterways. As you see from my bio, I have been dedicated to service my entire adult life.

I did not run for office in the last election cycle because *I felt I could not do a better job* than the incumbents. This cycle, I hope to add my voice to help continue the growth momentum created by city government since the 2008 market debacle. I selected position three because the incumbent chooses not to run.

If elected, I will do my best to consider and support ideas that benefit *everybody*: residents, retirees, part timers and tourists, then make decisions in the best interests of registered voters and Ocean Shores. In addition to regular council business, my primary visions include helping to: improve communication, create a unifying pedestrian friendly downtown corridor, and follow Planning Commission lead in developing a compassionate homeless plan while protecting the rights and property of everyone and increasing city tourism revenue.

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John Schroeder

No Photo Submitted

Dennis Schulte

Council Position 4..... (4-year term, Nonpartisan)



Eva C Russell

My name is Eva Russell, I'm a transplant from the Seattle area and have been living in Ocean Shores for the last 2 years full time after I left my daily grind at Microsoft. I knew this was the community I wanted to settle down after visiting here for the last 13 years. I am a creative spirit that believes in grass roots growth is the way to strengthen a city. I'm the mother of 3 beautiful children and I've always taught them to know their worth, find their voice, and to be true to themselves. After getting involved volunteering at the Senior Center, Elks and their various committees, it was clear to me there is a need for unity in our beautiful city. I think it's time for a fresh prospective to come to the council which is why I think I would be an excellent change for position #4.

I will be working as 1 of 7 for unity amongst our city. With a listening ear I want to hear all of your voices.

I want to see more partnership and less competition, lets work together to show our guests Ocean Shores is the number ONE community to visit.

In a World of social media, selfies and constant scrutiny, I want to empower the residents to be yourself, find your voice, and come as you are!!

Jon Martin



Lorraine Hardin

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: 18-year career as a Veterinary Technician and Hospital Manager, 6 years as Service Clerk for heavy equipment dealerships, 3 years as Medical Transcriptionist

Education: High School Graduate, Certifications for Veterinary Medicine and Hospital Management, Medical Transcription

Community Service: Volunteer work with Community Theaters (Tacoma and Ocean Shores), Elected Board President, Tacoma Musical Playhouse; 2 terms. Stewarded company from \$900K/yr to \$1.8M/yr. Co-Founder: Learning Series of Ocean Shores, Volunteer work with Partners in Education (Ocean Shores), Volunteer work with Ocean Shores Police Department Animal Shelter

Statement: I believe and live by the ideal that if you feel strongly enough to complain, you can find a possible solution to offer instead. I hear from people what needs are currently unmet and I want to be part of finding solutions for all of us.

This is an exciting time to be involved, with so many new people moving here with diverse experience and knowledge. Young families are looking for affordable services and more of their interests to be addressed.

I believe our local government can be more responsive to our citizens and become a more truly representative democracy. My duty to you is to be your voice and your representative on City Council. I would value the trust you offer me with your vote.

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Brian Ferguson

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted

Education: No information submitted

Community Service: No information submitted

Statement: No information submitted

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Eric Noble

Elected Experience: Served on the Silver Lake Wisconsin School Board from 2004 to 2006. Appointed to Ocean Shores City Council position 7 2019. Currently serve on 3 HOA boards for Wyndham Destinations. Current treasurer for the Leavenworth HOA.

Other Professional Experience: General Manager of the WorldMark Mariner Village resort in Ocean Shores. Have been in the management field for the last 25 years.

Education: Bachelor's degree from the University of Northwest in Education.

Community Service: Served on the Ocean Shores Planning Commission and as Board member and Treasurer of the North Beach Chamber Of Commerce.

Statement: Ocean Shores is a unique beach Town. It's a vibrant retirement community and a popular resort destination. It has an abundance of wild life and Natural costal beauty, while also having the freshwater canals and bayside. There is a delicate balance needed to keep all of what Ocean Shores is and can be. We have to be environmentally conscious as well as fiscally prudent. There are many challenges we are facing as a city, keeping the environment clean and the wildlife healthy. Having enough emergency responders and enforcing our codes. I would like to be part of the solution.

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David Linn

Elected Experience: Treasurer of Residential Condominium Association

Other Professional Experience: I held positions as a manufacturing engineer for an automotive parts supplier, a college instructor in real estate finance and a commercial real estate investment manager. I provided investment consulting services for public pension plans, endowments and Taft-Hartley multiemployer plans.

Education: I earned a Batchelor of Science degree in Mathematics from Case Institute of Technology, a Master of Business Administration from the University of Dayton and a Master of Arts degree In Finance from The Ohio State University.

Community Service: Volunteer with a small organic farm to distribute their produce in Ocean Shores.

Statement: I am running for a city council position because I believe that it is the most effective way for me to have a positive impact on this lovely small town. I chose to retire here because I found Ocean Shores to be quiet and friendly with a feeling of closeness to nature. I have given my comments at city council meetings on various topics of importance to me, but a three-minute presentation does not allow for much detailed input into those topics. So, being a member of the council will afford me the opportunity to delve into various matters in a more fulsome manner and to be a part of the decisionmaking process. I am thoughtful and articulate, and I can offer my life experience in dealing with issues on the city council. I think we need to get away from the notion of "It's always been done that way" and I can bring fresh ideas different ways of solving problems. Being a member of the city council will let me become more actively involved in the community and utilize my skills and experience to help move Ocean Shores toward a better and brighter future. Since retirement my energy has been focused on wildlife and environmental advocacy. I have been active in state-level issues concerning our wildlife and have testified at numerous legislative committee hearings and Fish and Wildlife Commissioners' meetings. I have coordinated local efforts to raise awareness on national issues such as national monument preservation and endangered species protections. I have developed a small (one acre) wildlife habitat on my property to provide a safe space for our wildlife and I have planted dozens of trees to replace those cut down in years past.

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South Beach Regional Fire Authority

RESOLUTION: 2019-05

(MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS LEVY RCW 84.52.052)

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF SOUTH BEACH REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE RFA AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON AUGUST 6, 2019, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE, A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF A GENERAL TAX ON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE RFA IN EXCESS OF CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY LIMITATIONS IN THE SUM OF \$591,000 WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$.82 Per \$1,000.00 of TRUE AND assessed valuation (BASED ON CURRENT ASSESSED VALUES), TO BE COLLECTED IN EACH SUCCEEDING YEAR TO PROVIDE FUNDS REQUIRED BY THE RFA to maintain the existing level of service in the RFA.

Background: WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Governing Board of the RFA that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the RFA that the fire and emergency medical services enumerated in this resolution be provided by the RFA. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance and operations in excess of those that can be provided by the RFA's regular tax levy. The excess levy shall be in the amount of \$591,000.00 to be levied in 2019 for collection in 2020.

Resolution: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of South Beach Regional Fire Authority, Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties, Washington as follows:

Section 1. The cost of operating a fire department that provides fire prevention, fire protection and emergency medical services has increased because of the specialized equipment, personnel training and supplies now required by state and federal regulations. Due to the accumulated effects of declining property values and the statutory one percent limitation on annual tax increases, the RFA cannot continue to maintain current service levels within the limitations of the RFA's regular tax levy without additional revenue.

Section 2. In order to provide revenue adequate to pay the costs of salaries, equipment and facilities necessary to maintain the RFA's level of service as described in Section 1 of this resolution and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the RFA shall levy in 2019 a general tax on taxable property within the RFA, in excess of the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, in the amount of \$591,000.00 which is approximately \$.82 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation (based on current estimated assessed values).

Section 3. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the RFA for their approval or rejection, at a special election to be held in conjunction with the primary election on August 6, 2019, the question of whether or not such a levy for maintenance and operations, in excess of the constitutional and statutory limits, shall be made. The Governing Board hereby requests the Auditors of Grays Harbor County and Pacific County, as exofficio Supervisors of Elections, call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

Name of Jurisdiction: South Beach Regional Fire Authority

Proposition #: Proposition No. 1

Short Title: Excess Levy for Maintenance and Operations

	Governing Board of South Beach Regional Fire Authority adopted Resolution 2019-concerning a proposition to adequately finance maintenance and operation costs.
serv exce appr be b	proposition provides for the support of fire protection and emergency medical rices, facilities, maintenance, staffing and operations by authorizing the RFA to levy less taxes in the amount of \$591,000.00 in 2019 to be collected in 2020 at an arroximate levy rate of \$.82 per thousand of assessed valuation (the actual rate will leased on assessed values). Solution be: Approved Rejected

Section 4. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington State Constitution, the ballot measure shall require approval of 60% percent of the voters if total number of voters voting exceeds 40% of the voters voting at the preceding general election. If the total number of voters voting do not exceed 40% of the total number of voters voting at the preceding general election, then the number of voters voting "yes" on the proposition must also constitute 60% of a number equal to 40% of the total number of voters voting in the RFA at the last preceding general election.

Section 5. The Board hereby assigns to the Fire Chief or designee the task of appointing members to a committee to advocate voters' approval of the proposition and to a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the proposition.

Section 6. For purposes of receiving notice of any matters related to the ballot title, as provided in RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates the Fire Chief or designee as the individual to whom the County Auditors shall provide such notice.

Section 7. The Chief is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this resolution, including modifying the text of the ballot title and any other text, language and/or descriptions relative thereto necessary to conform such ballot title, text, language and/or descriptions to the intent of the parties, consistent with the objectives of this resolution

Section 8. The Chief, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed, no later than May 10, 2019, to provide to the County Auditors a certified copy of this resolution and the proper RFA officials are authorized to perform such other duties or take such other actions as are necessary or required by law to the end that the proposition described in this resolution appear on the ballot before the voters at the August 6, 2019 election.

Section 9. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

Section 10. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 11. This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

Adoption: ADOPTED by the Governing Board of South Beach Regional Fire Authority, Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties, Washington, at a regular open public meeting of such Board on the __11th __ day of _____April__, 2019, the following commissioners being present and voting:

Fire District 5

Fire 5 Position 3......(6-year short and full term, Nonpartisan)



Kevin A Koski

Hi,

I am Kevin Koski. I have grown up in Grays Harbor my entire life, and for the last 25 years I have been a resident of Elma. I have grown up in a close knit and community-oriented family. I was a volunteer firefighter for Grays Harbor Fire District 5 from 2008-2018. During that time, I have obtained credentials as a Paramedic in the state of Washington. Service to my community has always been my top priority. In my spare time, I like to take advantage of the natural resources the harbor has to offer. From fishing, hunting, crabbing, and family camping outings.

As a committed community member, I have a vested interest in the success of our first responders and the tax payers they serve. Given my experience in fire and EMS, this qualifies me to fulfill the duties that are required of a fire commissioner. I will come with a fresh eyes approach, focusing on accountability, consistency, checks and balances, and budgetary issues. The position of Grays Harbor Fire District 5 commissioner needs an impartial view with regard to funding, operations, direct supervision of the district fire chief, and active involvement in setting of standard operating procedures. The responsibility of the fire commissioner that is owed to the voters of District 5 is of great measure.

The work at hand is no easy feat. The time and dedication it will take to run a successful, viable fire district, is a task I am ready to take on. In closing I would like to thank for your time and consideration for voting for me, Kevin Koski, for Grays Harbor Fire District 5 Commissioner.

Dave Hauge



Monica Thomas

Greetings, my name is Monica Thomas and I'm running for GHFD #5 commissioner position 3. I have been with District 5 as a volunteer for 10 years now and desire to remain for many more years.

I would like to have adequate funding to make critical investments in our District, so we can provide efficient emergency medical, fire suppression, and fire prevention services to our area. With District 5 moving into the Elma station it is crucial that we help and continue to support efforts to be a unified front for all of our citizens. I would be progressive to help District 5 into the future with this.

Thank you for your time and your consideration for the commissioner position.

