

OFFICIAL JOSEPHINE COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

SPECIAL ELECTION
MAY 21, 2013



Vote!



Art Harvey
Josephine County Clerk & Recorder

This voters' pamphlet is provided for assistance
in casting your vote by mail ballot.



Dear Josephine County Voter:

Enclosed you will find valuable information about candidates and issues that will appear on the upcoming **May 21st Special Election** ballot.

Per Oregon Revised Statutes, the election for School Board and Special District Directors is to be held on the third Tuesday in May of odd numbered years. Although many of the positions are unopposed, the candidates **must still be elected**.

This Voters' Pamphlet includes information on only those candidates who chose to pay the fee and submit a statement and photo.

Ballots are scheduled to be mailed to the registered voters of Josephine County on May 3rd. If you have not received your ballot by May 10th, please contact the election office at 541-474-5243 for assistance.

You may return your ballot either by mail or by dropping it in any one of the conveniently located **Official Drop Boxes** listed on page J38.

Please remember that your ballot must be in the **County Clerk's Office** or in one of our **Official Drop Boxes** no later than 8:00 P.M., May 21, 2013. **Postmarks do not count**.

Should you have any questions regarding this election, please call our office at 541-474-5243.

REMEMBER: EVERY VOTE COUNTS!

Sincerely,



ART HARVEY, C.C.C.
Josephine County Clerk & Recorder

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Voting Instructions

At the **MAY 21, 2013 Special Election** the voters of Josephine County should cast their votes as illustrated below.

TO VOTE YOU MUST COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL (●) TO THE LEFT OF YOUR RESPONSE.

TO WRITE-IN A NAME – FILL IN THE OVAL (●) TO THE LEFT OF THE LINE AND WRITE-IN THE NAME ON THE LINE.

TO VOTE ON A MEASURE OR CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT, SIMPLY FILL IN THE OVAL COMPLETELY NEXT TO THE YES OR NO OR CANDIDATE'S NAME.

USE A PENCIL OR PEN. (BLUE OR BLACK INK)

EXAMPLES:

PRESIDENT
VOTE FOR ONE

JOHN ALLEN
 THOMAS JEFFERSON
 J. Q. PUBLIC

Or Write In

PRESIDENT
VOTE FOR ONE

JOHN ALLEN
 THOMAS JEFFERSON
 J. Q. PUBLIC
 Billy Kidd

Measures

YES
 NO

YES
 NO

~~YES
 NO~~

IF YOU VOTE FOR MORE CANDIDATES THAN ALLOWED, OR IF YOU VOTE **BOTH YES AND NO** ON A MEASURE, IT IS CALLED AN OVERVOTE. YOUR VOTE **WILL NOT COUNT** FOR THAT CANDIDATE OR MEASURE.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO VOTE ON ALL CONTESTS. THOSE YOU DO VOTE ON WILL STILL BE COUNTED.

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR CHOICE, SPOIL YOUR BALLOT, OR LOSE IT, CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 541-474-5243.

–Returning Your Voted Ballot–

Vote your ballot.

Fold the ballot and insert it into the secrecy envelope.

Seal the secrecy envelope and insert into the colored return envelope.

Seal the colored return envelope and sign the statement on the back of the envelope.

Your ballot will not be counted if your envelope is not signed.

Place the appropriate first class postage on the return envelope and mail it so that it is received in the Josephine County Clerk's Office or at an Official Ballot Drop Site location* (no postage required) no later than 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, 2013.

IMPORTANT: YOUR BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED IF IT IS NOT RECEIVED BY 8:00 P.M. MAY 21, 2013.

*Official Ballot Drop Site Locations are listed on page J38

MEASURE 17.49

BALLOT TITLE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety Three Year Local Option Tax

QUESTION: Shall Josephine County impose \$1.48 per \$1,000 assessed value for criminal justice and public safety for three years beginning 2013?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: This measure would affect all parts of the criminal justice and public safety system and provide funding for services, which may include:

- Increase inmate capacity at adult jail
- Increase in number of criminal cases prosecuted by District Attorney
- Provide school security program and resources
- Provide support for Animal Control field services and animal shelter
- Provide Juvenile Justice services and detention
- Increase Sheriff deputies' response and patrol
- Provide support for Sheriff's Office civil services (investigations, evidence, records, and court security)

The revenue from this measure would be used for criminal justice and public safety services only.

At \$1.48 per \$1,000 for every \$100,000 of a property's assessed value, the tax would cost \$12.33 per month or \$148 per year. The approximate tax increase for a home with an assessed value of \$150,000 would be \$222.00 per year, or approximately \$18.50 per month. The proposed rate will raise approximately \$9,553,000 in 2013-2014; \$9,840,000 in 2014-2015; and \$10,135,000 in 2015-2016.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

Over 67 percent of the land in Josephine County is federally owned. Payments to counties for federal forest lands have declined each of the last five years and no more payments are expected. The decline and expiration of federal forest land payments to Oregon counties has affected Josephine County and caused reductions in county funding, primarily funding for criminal justice and public safety services. In the November 2012 general election over 74 percent of Josephine County voters said that the current level of service provided by the county criminal justice system did not meet the

needs of the community.

This measure would increase the levels of criminal justice and public safety services by providing funding to hold more inmates than are currently held in the adult jail, increase the number of criminal cases prosecuted by the District Attorney's Office, and provide funding for a school security program to ensure the safety of schools.

This measure would provide funding support for Animal Control field services and for the animal shelter, funding for Juvenile Justice services and detention, and increase Sheriff's deputies' response and patrols. In addition, the measure would provide funding for the civil services provided by the Sheriff's Office, including investigations, evidence, records, and court security. The Sheriff's Office civil division would be able to increase its hours of service to the public and the Sheriff's Office would be able to increase its major crimes investigation services.

This measure would not restore services to the level that existed prior to the budget reductions, but services would be increased from the current level. The measure would affect all parts of the criminal justice and public safety system.

At \$1.48 per \$1,000, for every \$100,000 of a property's assessed value, the tax would cost \$12.33 per month or \$148 per year. The approximate tax increase for a home with an assessed value of \$150,000 would be \$222.00 per year, or approximately \$18.50 per month.

The levy would be for three years beginning in 2013.

Provided by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners

MEASURE 17.49

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Since 2012, when the last Josephine County levy failed, our citizens have endured inadequate services from the local justice system and public safety agencies like the Sheriff's office. The situation threatens our safety, well-being and livelihoods.

We all know that Sheriff's patrols are nearly nonexistent. There's a severe shortage of prosecutors and jail space. And other services run at diminished capacities. These problems cause our mental health and drug abuse facilities to become ever more overburdened, which, in turn, only increases the need for public safety services. To put it simply, we're spiraling out of control.

Make no mistake: Everyone loves low taxes. But there truly is no free lunch. We either pay our fair share with hard-earned money, or we pay with lost property, a menacing atmosphere, and perhaps even our lives.

We would like to see Josephine County return to being the safe and secure community it once was – the kind of place where you could leave your doors unlocked or stroll at night without worry. We'd like to see this County thrive, and be able to once again attract retirees, families, students, and businesses.

What will it take? If Measure 17.49 passes, the average household will pay only an additional \$217 per year. That's less – far less – than the cost of a cup of coffee per day. So please join us in supporting Measure 17.49!

(This information furnished by Freddy Sennhauser/Mid-Rogue Independent Physician Association, Inc.)

(This space purchased for \$400 in accordance with ORS 251.285)

Measure arguments are printed as submitted. The printing of this argument does not constitute an endorsement by Josephine County, nor does the county warrant the accuracy or truth of any statements made in the argument.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Time To R.E.S.T.O.R.E.
(Replace Essential Services **T**oday Required by Everyone)

Doing the right thing is not often easy. Sometimes it is a choice between a rock and a hard place. Each choice leads us down some garden path in small steps.

Occasionally we have reason to wonder, “**How did we ever get in this mess**” and “**what do we do about it.**” Now is such a time. Over years, Josephine County was driven to the collapse of essential Justice Services by loss of federal timber revenue and the lowest tax rate in the State of Oregon.

Isn't it time to **RESTORE**;
Control to the community?
Services everyone needs?
Safety to our streets?
Accountability for criminal actions?

To accomplish these things requires commitment to a large, complex and coordinated task. Each piece of the system relies on other pieces to function effectively.

Isn't it time to **RESTORE**;
More robust Sheriff response?
The ability to investigate crimes?
The opportunity to convict criminals?
The capacity to incarcerate those convicted?
Protection for troubled and abused children?

If not **NOW, When?** These are the “right things” to do if we want safer streets, deterrence to crime, and a community where people want to visit, do business and raise families.

Passing Measure 17-49 will **RESTORE**;
Sheriff's response.
Major Crime Investigations.
Prosecution of crimes.
Protection for troubled and abused children.
Real deterrence to crime.
Balance to essential services community wide.
The quality of life in Josephine County.
Animal Control services.

Please **VOTE YES** on Measure 17-49.

For further educational information, see:
www.securinyoursafety.org

(This information furnished by Jeff Wolf/RESTORE)

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MEASURE 17.49

ARGUMENT AGAINST

“We’re for A Constitutional Government”

U R G E S

A “NO” Vote on Measure 17-49

Taxation is **not** the answer in an **economic crisis!** It makes **no** sense to **pay** more taxes on over-regulated property. Deregulation is what’s needed to **stimulate** our economy in order to bring prosperity.

So, where do **your** current Josephine County’s property taxes **GO?** According to the pie chart located in the 2012 Josephine County Statement of Taxes Assessment pamphlet, Education is 59.5%, Cities are 26.8%, County is 7.8%, Fire Districts are 2.8%, Special Assessments are 2.6%, and 4-H is 0.5%.

To figure out how much more you will be paying if this levy passes, multiply the **assessed** value of your property by .00148. Then **ADD** that to what you’re already paying. Did you know that the LAW already allows your **Assessed Property Values** to increase 3% per year?

Passage of Measure 17-49 will **ADD** \$1.48 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to your current tax rate. Depending on where you live this will calculate out to be a tax percentage increase of between **10.657%** and **24.811%**. These **Percent Increase Calculations** were based on information obtained from the Josephine County Statement of Taxes 2012 Assessment pamphlet.

VOTE “NO” on Measure 17-49

We simply can’t afford it.

I N S T E A D

Let’s take a closer look at the Josephine County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), to see which government-owned **assets** should be sold.

Could **100%** of all Josephine County property taxes be **replaced** with a single Josephine County sales tax? What a concept! Does that mean we could own our property outright?

WACG also recommends a “**NO**” vote on measure 17-52 School District #7’s five year renewal property bond levy starting at \$1.29 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

Vote “NO” on measures 17-49, 17-51 & 17-52

Go to our Political Action Committee website at: **www.w4acg.com** for information.

(This information furnished by James Rafferty/We’re For A Constitutional Government)

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ARGUMENT AGAINST

**NO
MEANS
NO!**

This is the sixth time in ten years we’ve had to vote on this. We’ve voted “NO” every time in the past. And we’ll have to vote “NO” on this once again.

In my opinion, since the Commissioners have consistently mismanaged money already received, it’s pointless to give them more.

Vote “**NO**” because:

On February 28, 2013, our Chief Financial Officer stated, “With no levy, we’ll maintain about the same status as we have right now.” Without a levy, the next budget gives Law Enforcement “about 347 thousand additional monies than what they have this year.”

The ballot summary says funding for services **MAY** include the listed services, but it **MAY NOT**.

The Commissioners say they won’t promise to spend “a single penny” (their words) on any of the listed services. Instead they will divert the money to the General Fund to distribute it any way they want. In effect, they want us to write them a “blank check.”

\$600,000 that could have been spent to keep the county safer was recently diverted from the General Fund for a single piece of software for the Assessor. To keep it working will cost an additional \$60,000 per year. The old software was okay, “but not great,” says the CFO.

The Internal Services Fund siphons off 10% to benefit other departments. This fund pays the \$97,953 salary of the CFO and the \$75,391 salaries of the Commissioners. They also receive more than 30% in fringe benefits. Do you?

Total PERS obligation is \$12.9 Million; compensated absences payable is \$2.9 Million. Taxpayers without retirements shouldn’t have to pay for extravagant retirements and fancy benefits for those in government.

Rather than demanding that the Federal Government pay what’s due to the county, the Commissioners are blaming **US** for not paying enough taxes. They unjustly expect property owners to fund the Federal Government’s deficit.

Simply tell them “NO” again.

**VOTE
“NO”**

On Measure 17.49

(This information furnished by Dale Matthews)

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MEASURE 17.50

BALLOT TITLE: Proposed Amendments to the Grants Pass City Charter

QUESTION: Shall the City Charter be amended to change the specific Council appointment time lines and processes, and other changes?

SUMMARY: The City Council proposes changes be made to the City Charter. Proposed changes include: the term and time line of appointment of City Manager be changed along with changes to the appointment of Manager Pro Tem; changes to Chapter 5, Section 2.6 pertaining to Council "Interference in Administration and Elections"; the City Manager shall hire and/or terminate the City Attorney subject to the consent of the majority of the Council currently holding office; vacancies in elective office be filled by an appointment made by a majority of the Council currently in office and that an election be conducted at the next regular general biennial election to fill any remainder of the term of the vacating Councilor; the role and duties of the Finance Director would be replaced with the City Recorder; and other minor changes.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

The proposed measure makes amendments to the City Charter. The City Charter defines roles and authority for the governance of the City.

The proposed amendments to the Charter include:

- I. The City Manager shall be appointed for a definite or indefinite term and may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Councilors then holding office. The Council shall fill the vacancy as soon as practicable;
- II. The majority of Councilors then holding office shall appoint a Manager Pro Tem if the City Manager is temporarily disabled from acting as City Manager or if the office becomes vacant. The Manager Pro Tem shall have the same authority and duties as the City Manager, except that appointment and removal of department heads requires approval of a majority of Councilors then holding office;
- III. Duties assigned to the Finance Director to be the responsibility of the City Recorder;

IV. Revisions to Chapter V, Section 2.6 pertaining to Council interference in administration and elections;

V. The City Attorney shall be the Chief Legal Officer of the City and shall be hired and terminated by the City Manager with the consent of the majority of Councilors then holding office;

VI. Vacancies in elected office shall be filled by appointment of the majority of Councilors then holding office. The vacated office shall be open for election at the next regular general biennial election if the vacancy occurs 100 or more days from that election. Otherwise, the election for that position will occur at the next May special election. The newly elected Councilor shall serve the remainder of the vacating Councilor's term;

VII. Other minor revisions.

A "yes" vote would favor making the amendments.
A "no" vote would be against making amendments.

Provided by the City of Grants Pass

MEASURE 17.50 (continued)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GRANTS PASS CITY CHARTER

**** IMPORTANT ****

If this measure is approved by the voters, the text that appears underlined, **(City Recorder)**, will be added to the Charter.

The text that has been struck, **~~(Finance Director)~~**, will be removed from the Charter.

Proposed Charter City of Grants Pass, Oregon Council-Manager Form of Government

A CHARTER

To provide for the government of the City of Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon; and to repeal all Charter provisions of the City enacted prior to the time this Charter takes effect, with the exceptions set forth herein.

Be it enacted by the people of the City of Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon:

CHAPTER I

NAME AND BOUNDARIES

Section 1. TITLE OF ENACTMENT. This enactment may be referred to as the City Charter of ~~1976~~ 2013.

Section 2. NAME OF CITY. The municipality of Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon shall continue to be a municipal corporation with the name "City of Grants Pass." The City of Grants Pass shall have and use a seal.

Section 3. BOUNDARIES. The City of Grants Pass shall include all territory encompassed by its boundaries as they now exist or as modified as provided herein. Unless mandated by State law, all annexations, by whatever means to the City of Grants Pass must be approved by a majority vote of the electors of the City. The ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder shall keep on file at least one copy of this Charter in which shall be maintained an accurate, up-to-date description of the boundaries. The copy and description shall be available for public inspection at any time during regular office hours of the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder. (Amended by voters, November 7, 2000, Measure 17.77)

CHAPTER II

POWERS

Section 1. POWERS OF THE CITY. The City shall have all powers which the constitutions, statutes, and common law of the United States and of this State expressly or impliedly grant or allow municipalities, as fully as though this Charter specifically enumerated each of these powers.

Section 2. CONSTRUCTION OF CHARTER. In this Charter, no mention of a particular power shall be construed to be exclusive or to restrict the scope of the powers which the City would have if the particular power were not mentioned. The Charter shall be liberally construed to the end that the City shall have all powers necessary or convenient for the conduct of its municipal affairs, including all powers that cities may assume pursuant to State laws and to the municipal home rule provisions of the State constitution.

CHAPTER III

FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Section 1. WHERE POWERS VESTED. Except as this Charter provides otherwise, all powers of the City shall be vested in the Council.

Section 2. COUNCIL. The Council shall be composed of eight Council Members elected from the City at large on a nonpartisan ballot.

Section 3. WARDS ESTABLISHED. The City of Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon, is hereby divided into four wards, designated and bounded as follows:

Ward No. 1 shall consist of all that portion of the City north of the former Oregon and California Railroad and west of the center line of Sixth Street.

Ward No. 2 shall consist of all that portion of the City north of the former Oregon and California Railroad and east of the center line of Sixth Street.

Ward No. 3 shall consist of all that portion of the City south of the former Oregon and California Railroad and east of the center line of Sixth Street.

Ward No. 4 shall consist of all that portion of the City south of the former Oregon and California Railroad and west of the center line of Sixth Street.

The boundaries of the ward lines as herein prescribed may hereafter be changed by ordinance.

There shall be two Council Members from each ward herein established.

Section 4. COUNCIL MEMBERS. The members of the Council shall be elected for a term of four years and shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified. There shall be elected at large eight Council Members, one from each of the four wards at each biennial general election. The offices of Council Members shall always be filled so that one Council Member shall be elected from each ward for the full term of four years at each biennial general election. The term of office of Council Members incumbent at the time this Charter is adopted shall continue through their current terms of office.

Section 5. MAYOR. At the biennial general election held in 1980 and every fourth year thereafter, a Mayor shall be elected for a term of four years. The term of office of the Mayor incumbent at the time this Charter is adopted shall continue through the Mayor's current term of office.

Section 6. QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTED OFFICERS. No person shall be eligible for the office of Mayor unless, at the time of their election, that person is a qualified elector within the meaning of the State constitution and has resided in the City during the twelve months immediately preceding the election. No person shall be eligible for Council office unless, at the time of their election or appointment, that person is a qualified elector within the meaning of the State constitution and has resided in the ward for which that person is seeking office during the six months immediately preceding the election. The Council shall be the final judge of the qualifications and election of its own members and the office of Mayor.

Section 7. SALARIES. The Mayor and Council Members shall receive no pay for their services and the compensation of each other City officer and each employee shall be provided for by the Council.

Section 8. APPOINTIVE OFFICES. Appointive offices of the City shall be the City Manager, the Municipal Judge and Municipal Judges Pro Tem, which shall be filled by appointment of the Council. The Council may create and abolish boards and commissions as it deems necessary and may make such appointments to and removal from such boards and commissions as provided by State law, resolution, City Charter, ordinance or resolution.

CHAPTER IV

COUNCIL

Section 1. MEETINGS. The Council shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month in the City at a time and at a place which it designates. It shall adopt rules for the government of its members and proceedings, and shall provide for keeping a journal of its proceedings. This journal shall be a public record. All records of the proceedings shall be approved by the Council at a meeting of the Council. The Mayor may, or at the request of three Council Members shall, by giving notice thereof to all Council Members then in the City, call a special meeting of the Council to be held not earlier than twenty-four (24) hours after notice is given. In the event of an actual emergency, a meeting of the Council may be held upon such notice as is appropriate to the circumstances. No action by the Council shall have legal effect unless the motion for the action and vote by which it is disposed of takes place at proceedings open to the public.

Section 2. VOTING. Voting, except on procedural motions, shall be by roll call and the ayes and nays shall be recorded in the journal. Five Council Members shall constitute a quorum, but a small number may adjourn from time to time and may compel the attendance of absent members in the manner and subject to the penalties prescribed by the rules of the Council. No action of the Council, except as otherwise provided in this Charter, shall be valid unless adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum of the Council. No Council Member shall be liable or questioned in any other place for words uttered in debate therein.

Section 3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. Neither the Mayor nor any Council Member shall, during the period for which each person is elected or serving as such, be financially interested in any contract affecting the City.

Section 4. MAYOR'S FUNCTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS. The Mayor shall chair Council meetings and preside over its deliberations. The Mayor shall have a vote on all questions before the Council resulting in a tie vote. The Mayor shall have authority to preserve order, enforce the rules of the Council, and determine the order of business under the rules of the Council. The Mayor must sign all records of Council decisions. The Mayor serves as the political head of the City government.

Section 5. PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL. At first regular meeting of the common Council in January of each year, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Council shall choose by ballot one of its members to preside over the Council and perform the duties of Mayor in the absence of the Mayor from the City, or if the Mayor be, from any cause, unable to act as Mayor, the president of the Council shall preside over the Council meetings and shall have and exercise the power and perform all the duties of the Mayor.

CHAPTER V

POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. MAYOR. No ordinance passed by the Council shall go into effect or be of any force until approved by the Mayor, except as provided in the following sections.

1. Upon the passage of any ordinance or resolution the enrolled copy thereof, attested by the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder, shall be submitted to the Mayor by the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder, and if the Mayor approves the same, the Mayor shall write thereon "approved" with the date of such approval, and sign the same officially and thereupon, unless otherwise provided therein, such ordinance shall become law and be of force and effect.
2. If the Mayor does not approve of an ordinance or resolution so submitted, the Mayor must, within three (3) days from the receipt thereof, return the same to the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder, with the Mayor's written reasons for not approving it; and if the Mayor does not return it within three (3) days, such ordinance or resolution shall become law as if the Mayor had approved it. Within three (3) days of return of a disapproved ordinance or resolution, the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder must notify the Council of such action.
3. At the first meeting of the Council after the return by the Mayor of any ordinance or resolution not approved, the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder shall present the same to the Council, with the written reasons of objections of the Mayor, all of which must be read to the Council, and such ordinance or resolution shall then be put upon its passage again, and if three-fourths of all members constituting the Council shall vote in favor of such ordinance or resolution, it shall thereupon become a law without the approval of the Mayor.

Section 2. CITY MANAGER

1. Qualifications. The City Manager shall be the administrative head of the government of the City. The City Manager shall be chosen by the Council without regard to political considerations and solely with reference to the candidate's executive and administrative qualifications. The City Manager need not be a resident of the City or of the State at the time of appointment, but promptly thereafter shall become and, during the incumbency, remain a resident of the City. Before taking office, the City Manager candidate

shall be bonded in such amounts and with such surety as may be approved by the Council. The premiums on such bonds shall be paid by the City.

~~2. Term. The Manager shall be appointed for an indefinite term and may be removed at the pleasure of the majority of the Council. Upon any vacancy occurring in the office of Manager after the first appointment pursuant to this Charter, the Council at its next meeting shall adopt a resolution of its intention to appoint another Manager. No such appointment shall be made until at least four weeks' elapse after the resolution is adopted. No later than four months after adopting the resolution, the Council shall appoint a Manager to fill the vacancy. The Manager shall be appointed for a definite or an indefinite term and may be removed at any time by a majority of the Council currently holding office. The Council must fill the office by appointment as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs.~~

3. Powers and Duties. The powers and duties of the Manager shall be as follows:

a. Devote all time to the discharge of official duties, attend all meetings of the Council unless excused therefrom by the Council or the Mayor, keep the Council advised at all times of the affairs and needs of the City and make reports as requested by the Council of all the affairs and Departments of the City.

b. See that all ordinances are enforced and that provisions of all franchises, leases, contracts, permits and privileges granted by the City are observed.

c. Designate a ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder and the Manager shall hire and may remove City employees except as the Charter otherwise provides and shall have general supervision and control over them and their work with power to transfer an employee from one department to another. The Manager shall supervise the departments to the end of obtaining the utmost efficiency in each of them. The Manager shall have no control, however, over the Council or over the judicial activities of the municipal judge. All personnel actions affecting the appointment, removal, transfer, demotion, layoff or disciplinary action of court employees shall have the consent of the municipal judge. In the event the Manager and judge shall disagree on any aforementioned proposed personnel action, the Council shall determine the appropriate action.

d. Act as purchasing agent for all departments of the City.

e. Be responsible for preparing and submitting to the Budget Committee the annual budget estimates and such reports as that body requests.

f. Supervise the operation of all public utilities owned and operated by the City and shall have general supervision over all City property.

g. Appoint, in his discretion, a Manager Pro Tem in the event of his absence from the City. ~~for a period of seven (7) days or less.~~

4. Seats at Council Meetings. The Manager, and such other officers as the Council designates, shall be entitled to sit with the Council but shall have no vote on questions before it. The Manager may take part in all Council discussions.

~~5. Manager Pro Tem. In case of the absence of the Manager from the City for more than seven (7) days, or temporary disability to act as Manager, or resignation as Manager, or discharge of the Manager by the Council, the Mayor with the consent of a majority of the Council shall appoint a Manager Pro Tem who shall possess the power and discharge the duties of the Manager during such absence or disability only; provided, however, that a Manager Pro Tem shall have no authority to appoint or remove any City employee except with the approval of the majority of the Council. No Manager Pro Tem shall hold his position for more than four months. No appointment of a Manager Pro Tem shall be renewed. If the Manager is temporarily disabled from acting as Manager or when the office of Manager becomes vacant, the majority of the Council currently holding office must appoint a Manager Pro Tem. The Manager Pro Tem has the authority and duties of Manager, except that a Pro Tem Manager may only appoint or remove department heads with the approval of the majority of Council currently holding office.~~

6. Interference in Administration and Elections. No member of the Council shall directly or indirectly, by suggestion or otherwise, attempt to influence or coerce the Manager in making of any appointment or removal of any employee or in the purchase of supplies; or attempt to exact any promise relative to any appointment from any candidate for Manager; or discuss directly or indirectly with the Manager the matter of specific appointments to any City employment. ~~A violation of the foregoing provisions of this section shall forfeit the office of the offending member of the Council. Violation of the foregoing shall constitute grounds for removal from office by a majority of the Council holding office following a public hearing.~~ Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the Council, during any regular or special meeting, from fully and freely discussing with or suggesting to the Manager anything pertaining to the foregoing matters or City affairs and for the best interests of the City. ~~Neither the Manager nor any person in the employ of the City shall take part in securing or contributing any money toward the nomination or election of any candidate for a municipal office.~~

7. Ineligible Persons. Neither the Manager's spouse nor any person related to the Manager or Manager's spouse by consanguinity or affinity within the third degree may hold any appointive office or employment with the City.

Section 3. MUNICIPAL JUDGE.

1. The Municipal Judge shall be the judicial officer of the City, shall be and remain a member of the Oregon State Bar and shall hold within the City a court known as the Municipal Court for the City of Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon. Except on non-judicial days, the court shall be open for the transaction of judicial business as prescribed by the laws of the State. The territorial jurisdiction of the court shall include the entire area within the boundaries of the City as now or hereafter established. The municipal court shall have original jurisdiction of all offences defined and made punishable by ordinances of the City and of all actions brought to recover or enforce forfeitures or penalties defined or authorized by ordinances of the City. The municipal court shall also have such jurisdiction and authority as may now exist, or hereafter be granted or created by the laws of the State of Oregon. The functions of the Municipal Judge and municipal court may be fulfilled by a State court when so appointed and designated by the Council.

2. The Municipal Judge shall have authority to issue process for the arrest of any person accused of any offense against the ordinances of the City, to commit any such person to jail or admit such person to bail pending trial, to issue subpoenas, to compel witnesses to appear and testify in court on the trial of any cause before the Municipal Judge to compel obedience to such subpoenas, to issue any process necessary to carry into effect the judgments of the court, and to punish witnesses and others for contempt of court. When not governed by ordinances or this Charter, all proceedings in the municipal court for the violation of the City ordinance shall be governed by the applicable general laws of the State governing justices of the peace and justice courts, or by the general laws of the State governing any State court designated or appointed by the Council.

3. The Municipal Judges Pro Tem shall have the same qualifications as the Municipal Judge and a Municipal Judge Pro Tem shall serve as Municipal Judge during the absence or disability of the Municipal Judge.

Section 4. CITY ATTORNEY.

1. The City Attorney shall be the Chief Legal Officer of the City. The City Manager shall hire and/or terminate the City Attorney subject to the consent of the majority of the Council currently holding office.

CHAPTER VI

ELECTIONS

Section 1. VOTER QUALIFICATIONS. Every legal voter of the State who has been a resident of the City for thirty (30) days immediately preceding the election shall be entitled to vote at a City election.

Section 2. REGULAR ELECTIONS. Regular City elections shall be held at the same times and places as the biennial general State election, in accordance with applicable State elections laws. The ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder shall, not later than the last day on which such certificate may be filed, prepare and furnish to the County Clerk of Josephine County a certified statement showing the City measures to be voted on at said election and the City offices to be filled in the City at the election, and the names and other information concerning all candidates for such offices to be voted on at the election. Notice of such election shall be that provided by law to be given by the County Clerk of the County.

Section 3. SPECIAL ELECTIONS. The Council shall provide the time, manner, and means for holding any special election. The ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder shall give at least ten days' notice of each special election in the manner provided by the action of the Council ordering the election.

Section 4. REGULATION OF ELECTIONS. Except as this Charter provides otherwise and as the Council provides otherwise by ordinances relating to elections, the general laws of the State shall apply to the conduct of all City elections, recounts of the returns therefrom, and contests thereof.

Section 5. TIE VOTES. In the event of a tie vote for candidates for an elective office, the successful candidate shall be determined by a public drawing of lots in a manner prescribed by the Council.

Section 6. CANVASS OF RETURNS. In all elections held in conjunction with State and County elections, the State laws governing the filing of returns by the County Clerk shall apply. In each special City election, the returns therefrom shall be filed with the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder on or before noon of the day following, and not later than ten days after the election, the Council shall meet and canvass the returns. The results of all special elections shall be entered in the record of the proceedings of the Council. The entry shall state the total number of votes cast at the election, the votes cast for each person and for and against each proposition, the name of each person elected to office, the office to which each person has been elected, and a reference to each measure enacted or approved. Immediately after the canvass is completed, the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder shall make and sign a certificate of election of each person elected and deliver the certificate to each person elected within one day after the canvass. A certificate so made and delivered shall be prima facie evidence of the truth of the statements contained in it.

Section 7. ELECTION CONTEST. The common Council is the judge of election and qualification of the Mayor and Council Members, and in case of a contest between two or more persons claiming to be elected thereto, must determine the same. An election contest for any office other than Mayor and Council Member must be determined according to the laws of the State regulating contest for County officers.

Section 8. COMMENCEMENT OF TERMS OF OFFICE. The term of office of a person elected in a regular City election shall commence the first Monday of the following year.

Section 9. OATH OF OFFICE. Before entering upon the duties of an office, each officer shall take an oath or shall affirm that they will support the constitutions and laws of the United States and of Oregon and that they will faithfully perform the duties of that office.

Section 10. NOMINATIONS.

1. Names for all candidates for City office shall be presented for nomination by individual nominating petitions or by declaration or candidacy and payment of the fee.

2. In any petition filed by or on behalf of, or declaration of candidacy made by, a candidate for election to a City elective office at the general election, no reference shall be made to any political party ballot or to the political party affiliation of a candidate. The petition nomination shall contain the signatures of not less than fifty registered electors of the City.

3. All such nominating petitions and declarations of the candidacy must be filed with the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder at least five (5) days prior to the date on which the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder is required to certify candidates and measures to the County Clerk for election.

Section 11. ELECTION PROCEDURE.

1. Except as herein expressly provided, the manner of election and preparing the general election ballot shall be the same as the State provisions now or hereafter in effect for the non-partisan election of district attorneys, subject to such change as the Council may hereafter make by ordinance.
2. When there are three (3) or more candidates for an office, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. A plurality of the votes cast shall be sufficient for election.

CHAPTER VII

VACANCIES IN OFFICE

Section 1. WHAT CREATES VACANCY. An elective office shall be vacant upon the death, removal from the City, or resignation of the incumbent, or upon such incumbent's ceasing to possess the qualifications of an elector. The office of the Mayor and Council Member shall be vacated whenever the incumbent thereof shall fail to attend any three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Council.

Section 2. FILLING OF VACANCIES. Vacant elective office in the City shall be filled by appointment ~~made by a majority of the~~ by Council currently in office. ~~A majority of the quorum of the Council shall be required to validate the appointment. The appointee's term of office shall begin immediately upon the appointee's appointment and shall continue throughout the unexpired term of the appointee's predecessor, unless sooner removed for cause by vote of the Council.~~ In the event of a Council vacancy, an election shall be conducted to fill the vacancy at the next regular general biennial election, unless the vacancy occurs less than 100 days from the next regular general biennial election. If the vacancy occurs less than 100 days from the next regular general biennial election, the City shall conduct an election to fill the vacancy at the next May special election. The term of the newly elected Councilor shall run concurrently with the term of the vacating Councilor.

CHAPTER VIII

ORDINANCES

Section 1. ENACTING CLAUSE. The enacting clause of all ordinances hereinafter enacted shall be: "The City of Grants Pass hereby ordains:"

Section 2. ENACTMENT PROCEDURE.

1. Except as the second and third paragraphs of this section provide to the contrary, every ordinance of the Council shall, before being put upon its final passage, be read fully and distinctly in open Council meetings on two (2) different days.
2. Except as the third paragraph of this section provides to the contrary, an ordinance may be enacted at a single meeting of the Council by unanimous vote of all Council Members present, upon being read first in full and then by title.
3. Any of the readings may be by title only if no Council Member present at the meetings requests to have the ordinance read in full, or if a copy of the ordinance is provided for each Council Member and three (3) copies are provided for public inspection in the office of the ~~Finance Director~~ City Recorder not later than one week before the first reading of the ordinance and if notice of their availability is given forthwith upon the filing, by written notice posted at the City Hall and two other public places in the City or by advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation in the City. An ordinance enacted after being read by title alone may have no legal effect if it differs substantially from its terms as it was thus filed prior to such reading, unless each section incorporating such a difference is read fully and distinctly in open Council meetings as finally amended prior to being approved by the Council.

Section 3. EXISTING ORDINANCES CONTINUED. All ordinances of the City in force and effect when this Charter takes effect shall remain in effect until amended or repealed.

CHAPTER IX

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Section 1. IMPROVEMENTS. The procedure for making, altering, vacating or abandoning a public improvement shall be governed by general ordinance, or to the extent not so governed, by the applicable general laws of the State.

Section 2. REMONSTRANCE. If a written remonstrance be filed with the ~~Finance Officer~~ City Recorder prior to the first public hearing on public improvements for improvement of a street, installing curb, gutter, sidewalk and other assessment projects, other than installation of water or sanitary sewer, and such written remonstrance shall be filed by the owners of two-thirds of the property abutting on said street or alley to be so improved or repaired, computed on a lineal foot basis, no improvement shall be made but such project may be considered again by the Council not less than six (6) months after the filing of a remonstrance. The Council shall have authority to install water or sanitary sewer improvements over 100% objections. In this section, "owner" shall mean the record holder of the legal title or, where land is being purchased under a land sale contract, recorded, the purchaser shall be deemed the "owner".

CHAPTER X

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. STREET VACATION. ~~Subsection 27 of Section 93 of the prior Charter~~ Prior Charter language, which provides ~~that the common~~ Council shall have the power and authority within the limits of Grants Pass to provide for the vacation of any street or alley upon the petition or with the consent of not less than 3/4 of all of the owners of the property adjoining or abutting upon such street or alley, or any part thereof so vacated, is specifically continued in full force and effect. The aforesaid fraction pertaining to property owners shall be computed on a lineal foot basis. The Council shall prescribe by general ordinance the procedure to be followed in such vacation.

Section 2. CHARTER. All Charter provisions of the City enacted prior to the time that this Charter takes effect are hereby repealed, save and except any portions necessary to sustain action previously taken under the prior Charter or action or procedure in the process of completion under the prior Charter, set forth hereinabove, is specifically continued in force and effect.

Section 3. This Charter shall take effect on the 1st day of June, 2013 ~~January, 1977~~.

MEASURE 17.51

BALLOT TITLE: Renewal of Four-Year Local Option Tax For General Operations

QUESTION: Shall district impose \$.59 per \$1,000 of assessed value for general operations, for four years beginning 2013-2014? This measure renews current local option taxes.

SUMMARY: This is not a new tax. This tax renews the current levy. The levy for the District ends June 30, 2013. Four years ago voters approved \$.69 per \$1,000 of assessed value. This renewal request is reduced to \$.59, meaning the Wolf Creek RFPD would receive fewer funds. This renewal is critical to your District and to its ability to maintain fire service standards and emergency medical response calls.

Intent of levy;

Matching grants,
Maintain part time administrative position,
Operating expenses,
Replace emergency communication system,
Replace aging apparatus.

The proposed property tax rate is \$.59 cents per \$1,000 assessed property value per year. It is estimated the requested rate will raise approximately \$17,894 in the fiscal year 2013/2014, \$18,430 2014/2015, \$18,983 2015/2016, \$19,552 for 2016/2017.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

Established in 1977, the Wolf Creek RFPD serves 32 square miles with approximately 800 residents. In addition, there are four major lifelines: Interstate 5, the railroad, a high-pressure gas line, as well as the major communication center for Southern Oregon. The enterprise community of Wolf Creek is located in a designated wildland-urban interface zone. The district includes residences, businesses, public buildings, historical landmarks, state and county properties.

Volunteers responded to 103 incidents in the fiscal year 2010/2011 and 107 in 2011/2012. Your District is responsible for Wildland-Urban interface fire response, structural fires, medical emergencies, vehicular accidents, hazardous materials response and mass casualty incidents.

Your district has an ISO rating of 7, reduced from an original 9. Insurance Services Organization (ISO) provides their response evaluation to insurance companies. Insurance companies use this information to determine the homeowner's fire insurance rate. The lower the rating number, the lower your insurance cost.

Your district is funded by property tax revenue. In the last 4 years a Local Option Tax of \$.69 per \$1,000 of assessed value has supplemented the District's permanent tax rate of approximately \$60,000 per year. Your District also receives funds by billing insurance companies for services provided to non-residents during vehicle accidents. Grant funding is actively sought when available. Your District recognizes the need for budget constraints while maintaining the current level of emergency services provided.

By renewing the 4-year Local Option Tax, your fire District will continue implementing its strategic plan to continue decreasing the cost of fire protection by improving the District.

Here is a partial list of short-term goals:

Increase emergency medical service (EMS) levels of training and response capability.
Training for all responders to be Firefighter 1, Wildland and First Responder certified.
Obtain personal wildland and structural protective equipment through successful grant applications.
Improve communication and safety equipment through successful grant applications.
Improve fire response capability by upgrading vehicles (Average age of vehicles is 24 years old).
Develop community wildfire protection plan.

Long-term goals for your District include obtaining funding primarily from grants to build a new fire station that meets current Oregon building codes. The property for this new station has already been acquired. This new station will improve your District's capability to meet emergency service needs of the District.

Provided by the Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District

MEASURE 17.51

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

THIS IS NOT A NEW TAX.

THIS RENEWAL REQUEST WILL RESULT IN A LOWER PROPERTY TAX.

Four years ago voters said yes to a \$.69 per \$1,000 option levy. This renewal request is reduced to \$.59 per \$1000 of assessed value. This means your property taxes will actually be lower than current levels. This reduced rate reflects the improved efficiency in obtaining support from other sources.

WHY SUPPORT YOUR FIRE DISTRICT? Because we live in a fire-prone urban-wildland interface community, danger from fire is very real. Only through our combined efforts are we able to keep our homes and families safe from fire. Your District is an important part of this effort. It is recognized that the majority of responses are medical. First Responders being readily available is a very valuable resource. The District is required to meet the same OSHA and DPSST standards as other fire services. The permanent property tax rate does not generate enough revenue to maintain the service our community deserves.

RENEWING THIS 4-YEAR LOCAL OPTION TAX WILL ALLOW YOUR FIRE DISTRICT TO:

Build on current levels of emergency response and professionalism.

Increase emergency medical services (EMS) levels of training and response capability.

Continue implementing strategic plan, resulting in lower homeowner insurance rates.

Continue training all responders to be certified in;

- Firefighter 1
- Wildland Firefighting
- First responder
- Hazmat Responders

Match grants for;

- Personal wildland and structural protective equipment
- Improve communication and safety equipment
- Newer trucks and vehicles (Average age of vehicle is 24 years old)
- Build a new fire station (Property has already been acquired for a new station)
- Keep our vital part-time Office Manager
- Adhere to required State and Federal regulations

VOTING YES means you want a community that is as safe as possible from the devastating effects of fire.

VOTING YES means that you want your Fire District to continue improving responses for medical calls.

VOTING YES means you support YOUR FIRE DISTRICT.

(This information furnished by Richard J. Hurley)

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MEASURE 17.52

BALLOT TITLE: Grants Pass School District No. 7 Capital Improvement Bond Authorization

QUESTION: Should the District issue five year general obligation bonds not exceeding \$17,500,000 to finance the cost of capital improvements?

If the Bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: A number of capital maintenance, infrastructure, facility expansion and building safety needs exist beyond the District's current resources. This measure would support a five year, \$17.5 million bond, to provide funding for these capital improvement needs.

If approved, bond proceeds would be used by the District to fund capital improvements including, but not limited to, improvements that will:

- Extend the life, improve the efficiency and expand the educational and community use of our existing facilities;
- Increase the safety of our schools by adding single-motion door locks for classrooms, modifying certain building entryways and providing for additional intruder safeguards;
- Provide the technology infrastructure to meet the internet access and other technology infrastructure needs of our students; and
- Add additional kindergarten classrooms for our existing elementary schools in anticipation of full day kindergarten beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Bond proceeds may also be used to pay bond issuance costs. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series and will mature within five years or less from their issuance date.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

Given the ongoing funding challenges facing Grants Pass School District No. 7 and the final repayment of the District's High School construction bond in June 2013, the District has an opportunity to address critical capital maintenance and infrastructure upgrade needs by issuing a new five year capital improvement bond.

The District has a long history of being fiscally conservative which has afforded students and their families continued access to the programs and extracurricular opportunities which are the hallmark of a District 7 education. This fiscal conservatism

extends to the care and upkeep of the facilities entrusted to the District by our community. The condition of our District schools and facilities (a number of which were built over 50 years ago) reflect the District's ongoing commitment to be good stewards of the public's investment in our District.

Over the past seven years, the District has successfully pursued available funding to complete nearly \$900,000 in energy efficiency capital projects for our schools and other facilities at no net cost to the District. In addition, in partnership with the city of Grants Pass, PTA's and other community supporters, the District has been able to improve and expand its recreational and community park facilities.

There are a number of critical capital maintenance, infrastructure update and facility expansion needs, however, that remain beyond the District's current resources. The proposed capital improvement bond would provide a source of funding to the District for capital improvements that will:

- Extend the life, improve the efficiency and expand the educational and community use of our existing facilities by replacing or upgrading roofing, air quality systems, windows, flooring, water mains, parking lots, playgrounds and fields;
- Increase the safety of our schools by providing additional safeguards against intruders, replacing doors and locks to allow for single-motion lock down of classrooms and modifying certain school entries to limit unsecured access points;
- Provide the technology infrastructure to meet the internet access and other technology infrastructure needs of our students; and
- Add additional kindergarten classroom to our existing elementary schools in anticipation of full day kindergarten beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

The Bond will mature within five years or less from its date of issuance and is estimated to cost \$1.29 per \$1,000 of assessed value per year. The projected bond levy rate would represent a reduction of \$0.08 per \$1,000 of assessed value from the District's current bond levy rate of \$1.37 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The estimates of levy rates are based on current projections of interest rates, growth in assessed value and other factors. The actual rates may differ depending upon changes to these factors.

Provided by Grants Pass School District No. 7

MEASURE 17.52

ARGUMENT AGAINST

- 32% of the GPHS Class of 2012 dropped out of school
- Measure 17-52 does virtually nothing to improve student performance

Do What's Best for the Kids, Join Us & Vote NO

What are the "critical" needs Grants Pass School District No. 7 claims? (Source: GPSD No. 7, 3/20/2013)

- 1) \$3 million for additional kindergarten classroom space? Actually, several elementary schools have extra room in case they need to add a class; population forecasts indicate Grants Pass may grow slowly as people move away to find jobs.
- 2) Increase safety of schools? December 2012, Superintendent Higgins assured families that "our District has well-established safety protocols in place."
- 3) \$753,705 to improve parking lots? Other than North Middle School, the other nine schools have parking lots that appear new or in good condition.
- 4) \$587,500 for flooring in the nearly-new Grants Pass High School?
- 5) \$406,000 for three fields? Drive by the schools; every field is well-maintained with nice playgrounds.
- 6) \$4.6 million for Infrastructure, Roofing, Flooring? At the August 28, 2012, School Board meeting, Member Richard Ward said "it is very noticeable how good our District 7 schools are looking."

Visit www.NoOnSchoolBond.com for updates, pictures of schools, upcoming School Board meetings, and bond costs for requested \$17.5 million.

Reduce the dropout rate, invest in:

- Smaller class sizes
- Early childhood education
- More teachers and teacher's aides
- Drug prevention and addiction counseling

Vote NO on capital improvements; tell the School Board to focus on student achievement and reducing the dropout rate. Get involved, hold administrators accountable, and require schools to undergo a citizen-based performance audit every year. Measure 17-52 pours more money into a system that is failing our teachers and our kids. Set an example of fiscal responsibility for our kids!

Submitted by Bruce Smith-Grants Pass City Resident
My family has been in Josephine County for six generations.

(This information furnished by Bruce James Smith)

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Grants Pass School District No. 7 Board, Position 3



**GARY
RICHARDSON**

OCCUPATION:

Senior Embedded Software Engineer / Manager Grants Pass Operations, Enovation Controls, 2013-present.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Vice President of Engineering Ryeso, Inc., 2005-2007; Senior Engineer Murphy Switch, 1986-2005; Staff Engineering E&C Engineering, 1984-1986; Project Engineer Advanced Control Technology, 1983-1984; Airman United States Air Force, 1976-1979.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor of Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Oregon State University, Graduated with Honors, 1983; Associate of Science, Instrumentation Technology, Community College of the Air Force, 1979; Diploma, Grants Pass High School, 1975.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Grants Pass School District #7 School Board; Fort Vannoy Local School Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS BACKGROUND: Registered Professional Engineer, State of Oregon. Coach for youth sports, basketball and soccer. Club leader for various AWANA youth clubs. Former Director and past President, Grants Pass Area Habitat for Humanity. Former Director and Past Chairman, Applegate Community Church. Airman of the Month, 366 CRS, Tactical Air Command. NCO Professional Military Education, Preparation for Management Duties. Former President Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity, Oregon State University. Member Phi Kappa Phi, College Honorary. Member Tau Beta Pi, Engineering Honorary. Member Eta Kappa Nu, Electrical Engineering Honorary.

School Boards function best when there are many different viewpoints. My strong engineering and technology background bring valuable insights to the Board.

We must focus on what is most important when operating the District. First, we must maintain the classroom where the learning occurs. Second, we should strive to provide equality between the generations. We should not allow our students to pass through the public school system and feel like they were cheated when compared to their parents and grandparents. This can cause erosion of support for our schools in the future.

District 7 has wonderful schools and a great relationship with the community. Working through these difficult financial times I want to maintain that relationship with the community. I will work toward seeking the community's input to maintain the best possible program so that we can all be proud of our commitment to our youth.

(This information furnished by Gary Richardson)

Candidate statements are printed as submitted. The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Grants Pass School District No. 7 Board, Position 4



**DEBBIE
BROWNELL**

OCCUPATION: Brownell's
Electric: office manager.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Brownell's, gift shop manager;
Capital Financial Services,
assistant manager; mill worker;
store clerk; fire lookout.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Oregon State University,
senior, BS Business Administration, minor in science;
Portland State University, sophomore; Southern Oregon
College, freshman; Grants Pass High School, 12.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Grants Pass School
District #7 school board, elected for three terms,
previously appointed to complete a different term.
Appointed to District #7 Budget Committee; Appointed to
6th & 7th Street Advisory Group; Appointed to Bay City,
City Council; Appointed to Tillamook County Planning
Committee.

It is a joy and a privilege, serving on the board. I started
volunteering in school related activities, over 20 years ago,
and continue to support the goal of expanding the
opportunities for growth, that education delivers. The
mission statement for School District #7 is "We will
provide an education that encourages all students to reach
their potential and to become responsible, productive
citizens." Thank you for the opportunity to work, listen,
improve, and cheer.

The education of our children is important, not only for the
students, parents, and community at large, but impacts
our very nation and the world. The dedication and high
level of commitment and support our community gives
the school district is an inspiration and example I follow in
fulfilling my duties as board member. The economic
climate of our state is a challenge, but continuous
improvement and striving for excellence, is a constant,
regardless of funding. I have confidence in the current
board, administrative staff, employees, and volunteers in
this community. My knowledge and commitment is an
asset that will continue to be of use. I would like to remain
a part of this vital team, and ask for your vote.

(This information furnished by Debbie Brownell)

**Candidate statements are printed as submitted. The above
information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.**

Grants Pass School District No. 7 Board, Position 5



**BARBARA
SATTERTHWAITE**

OCCUPATION: Homemaker.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Mortgage broker, real estate broker, sports shop manager.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor of Arts, University of Portland.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Member of District 7 school board, site council, and budget committee; City of Grants Pass budget committee.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: District 7 school board director; PTA president, two District 7 schools; American Association of University Women president, Grants Pass chapter.

Having been born and raised in Grants Pass, I know that a quality education is very important to local families, as it is to myself and my family. To help support the education of local children, I volunteered my time to assist with various District 7 operations during the last twelve years. I have served as a director on the District 7 school board since 2010.

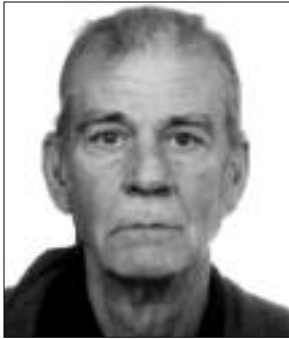
I am running for a school board position to aid ongoing school district efforts designed to provide quality educational opportunities. I believe that District 7 has great schools, offers a quality educational experience for local youth, and is fortunate to have many dedicated staff.

With the ongoing challenging budget issues, I believe that my professional experience as a business manager and my long-term involvement with School District 7 provides a solid knowledge base that can be relied upon to make sound decisions regarding local education issues.

(This information furnished by Barbara Satterthwaite)

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Three Rivers School District, Zone 1



GRAHAM L. BAKER

OCCUPATION: Retired.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Sales, Sales / Business Management, Primarily in the Automobile Industry.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Merrillville High School, Merrillville, IND, Graduated.

Various sales, sales management programs through General Motors.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Budget Committee – Three Rivers School District.

I have been steadily involved with our school district since 1995. I have served on site councils at the Elementary, Middle, & High School levels, Building Committees, and Bond Committees. I have been an Assistant Coach on the JV Baseball team and Freshman Basketball team, and I'm currently serving my second term on the Three Rivers School District's Budget Committee.

I am well aware of the challenges our district faces and important decisions that will have to be made to insure the quality of education and opportunities that our students deserve during these financially trying times. Having four children who have successfully gone through our schools, and the anticipation of future grandchildren doing the same, along with my own personal involvement, I feel that I am highly qualified for the position of Board Member.

(This information furnished by Graham L. Baker)

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KATE DWYER

OCCUPATION: Manager, Illinois Valley branch of Josephine Community Libraries; Owner, Kate Dwyer Catering; Board Director, Takilma Community Association.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Illinois Valley High School 21st Century After School

Class Program Coordinator 2010 and 2011. Illinois Valley High School Career Connections Class Coordinator 2010. Strengthening Families Program "Family Camp" parenting class presenter at Lorna Byrne Middle School 2009, 2010, 2011. Site Coordinator at Lorna Byrne Middle School for Guiding Lights Mentoring Program 2008.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor's Degree in English from State University of New York at Albany.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: none.

I have attended or read the minutes of every Three Rivers School District Board meeting since 2008. I have been an actively involved parent and volunteer in Illinois Valley schools since 2000. I have focused my efforts in leveraging volunteer support from the community for our schools, as well as developing and presenting various programs for kids and parents.

Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year 2011. Josephine County Asset Builders Award 2002 (for mentoring youth.)

Board Memberships: Takilma Community Association (current) Dome School (former) Siskiyou Community Health Center (former)

Volunteer service to our schools: State Education Budget Hearings, testified regarding primary literacy and classroom overcrowding. Evergreen Elementary, years of assisting in classrooms with a reading focus, multiple class projects in many grades. Lorna Byrne Middle School Music Department fundraising 2011-2012, "Seussical" Musical 2011. Presenter on the Catering Business for Career Day, 2007-2012. "Snak" program, introduction to fruits and vegetables, many years. Illinois Valley High School Music Department fund raising 2011-2012, ASPIRE (scholarship) mentor, Agriculture class presenter on local foods, school garden support, after school class teacher (paid as well as volunteer.) Evergreen Elementary Principal Hiring Committee; Three Rivers School District Board "Rightsizing Committee"

Our schools are faced with dire budget shortfalls. Working together creatively with positive attitudes is our best way forward.

(This information furnished by Kate Dwyer)

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Nonpartisan for

Three Rivers School District, Zone 1



**CARL
LAFLAMME**

OCCUPATION: Machinist.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Contractor; Developmental
Machinist; Realtor.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Rogue Valley Community
College; Los Angeles Trade
Technical College; William Howard Taft High School.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

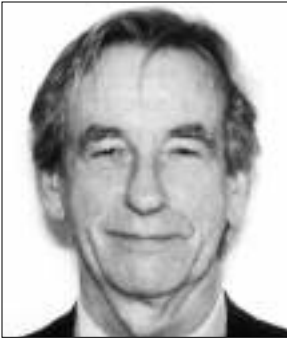
Being a responsible citizen means reaching out and doing what you can to help better the community. This has been my philosophy since coming to this area in 1998.

After our kids were born my wife and I decided to relocate the family to Josephine County Oregon. We wanted our kids to grow up in a rural environment to experience country living. My parents retired here and we wanted to be near them and we saw how much the area had to offer. Since arriving I have strived to help out where I can. In particular our kids, all kids, need positive role models. Not just family members but also adults in the community. I have coached kids at Boys and Girls Clubs, Little League and High School Baseball. I have helped Rotary Clubs and the Duck Derby fund raise to better our schools athletic facilities and academic programs. I have given both time and money so that our kids may have a better future. Working in the Aerospace Industry for twenty years I have learned how to achieve common goals through communication and dedication.

I believe I can help further by being a contributing member of the Three Rivers School Board.

(This information furnished by Carl LaFlamme)
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Three Rivers School District, Zone 2



KEVIN PATRICK MARR

OCCUPATION: Owner/Innkeeper Motel Del Rogue Grants Pass.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Teacher/Coach; Hotel General Manager; USMC Billeting Manager.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Ann Arbor High School -

diploma; Eastern Michigan University - B.S.; University of Michigan - 36 hours post-graduate.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: USMC Billeting Manager; SBDC Advisory Board; TRSD Budget Committee.

It is an honor for me to seek election to represent Zone 2 on the Three Rivers School District Board. In 2000, I left my job as Billeting Manager at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton in order to spend more time with my wife and infant daughter (now an eighth grader). We started looking for a small motel to buy, and found the perfect spot right here in Grants Pass. Public education has always been my passion. I have been an ambassador for TRSD through my business, by sitting on committees, attending board meetings and volunteering in classrooms. I have familiarized myself with the new Common Core State Standards and am intimately aware of the fiscal threats to our kids. I am an advocate for mental health and am in contact with our local, state and federal public officials.

I am uniquely qualified for this position because in addition to having been a teacher/coach, through my professional career I have managed million dollar budgets and large staffs of people. My dedication to children and learning has been demonstrated through my volunteer efforts in Rotary, Kairos and the TRSD Budget Committee.

I promise to take my role seriously. I already spend hours learning the details of running the TRSD. I know that I will have to spend even more time and learn more should you elect me. I will listen to my constituents, parents and students and the people in the county at large. I will have an open door and hope to put my education and experience to work to make TRSD the best that it can be for all of our children. I humbly ask for your vote.

(This information furnished by Kevin Patrick Marr)

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DANNY L. YORK

OCCUPATION: York Electric.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Electrician for the past 22 years, the last 13 years as an electrical contractor.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduated from Grants Pass High School; Graduated from

the National Journeyman Apprentice Training Center (Journeyman Electrician).

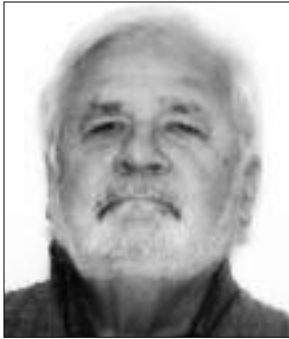
GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

I have lived in Josephine County my entire life and I love it. I have four children currently enrolled in the Three Rivers School District. I and my wife have been involved in the schools our children have attended, from coaching sports to PTA and site council. I believe that as a society we have an enormous responsibility in educating the next generation, and having coached some of the fine young men in our schools today, I believe they have great accomplishments in front of them. With your vote I will give my best to see that they and all the young men and women of our communities get the best we can offer as a school district.

(This information furnished by Danny L. York)

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Three Rivers School District, Zone 3



**CHARLES WILLIAM
"BILL" ERTEL**

OCCUPATION: Self Employed
Real Estate Broker.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Real Estate Broker –
Insurance Company Manager
and Director – Retired US
Army Officer.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Illinois State Univ, 18yrs, MBA, Business & Finance;
Indiana University, 16 yrs, BS, Business; US Army
Command & Staff, 4 yrs, Certificate, Tactics and
command; Property & Casualty INS, 3 yrs, Certificate,
Underwriting & claims.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Director and V.P. Williams
Rural Fire District; Williams Town Council (CAC); Josephine
County Land Use Advisory Committee; Josephine County
Economic Development Committee.

I have an interest and a passion for serving the Three
Rivers School District and the 4735 students on 15 school
sites over 1,200 square miles. I will use my experience
and leadership to make sure the \$40 – 41.8 million of
income resources and \$44 million expenditures (\$2.4–3.5
M short) are spent to further student education. Each
school level should be organized, staffed and equipped to
be a building block to provide the students with the skills
to succeed in their chosen careers upon graduation. The
current 30% rate of students who do not finish high
school is unacceptable must improve.

My management experience and skill sets make me ready
to take on the challenges and opportunities of the district.
I have been a teacher-instructor of business courses at a
junior college. I live and work in the rural community of
Josephine County. I have a local insight to the challenges
facing our young citizens and their parents as they prepare
for their future. My current status will allow me to serve
this position as a full time commitment.

(This information furnished by Charles William "Bill" Ertel)
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**KARA
OLMO**

OCCUPATION: Co-owner Wool-
dridge Creek Winery, 2004-
present.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Business owner, winemaker,
manager.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Post-baccalaureate studies,
California State University, Fresno; Bachelor of Science,
University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Technical Advisory
Committee, Southern Oregon Regional Pilot Program; Past
Chair and Board Member, Oregon Wine Board.

Community Service: Josephine County Education Fund;
Greater Applegate Community Development Department;
Three Rivers Schools Foundation.

Achievements–Three Rivers School District

Coordinated an effort which resulted in a grant for **\$826,000** to
retrofit Applegate School.

Managed a legislative project that increased the funding
amount to Three Rivers School District by over **\$300,000**
annually

Founded Friends of Applegate School - raises over **\$10,000**
annually for music, art and farm programs.

Kara is a proven success in advocating for our students, schools
and community. She spearheaded a grant that restored the
Applegate School building for classroom instruction and
community use. She continues to succeed in finding solutions to
the challenges facing our schools.

Judy Crowe, Retired Teacher, Three Rivers School District

Over the years I've found Kara to be a creative and hardworking
problem solver that is deeply passionate about the people of our
community. Where others have met dead ends attempting to
solve problems within our schools, community, and economy,
her community credibility and tenacity have led to advancements
both locally and statewide. I believe Kara is an ideal choice for
our school board.

Aaron Ausland, Ausland Group

Kara understands the district and the challenges we face. She
has proven her ability to access additional funding sources to
support our schools and knows how to create partnerships
between the classroom and the business community. Kara is the
clear choice for Zone 3.

Leslie Meier, Current Zone 3 School Board Member

**I believe that the strength of our public school system is
directly related to the health of our economy. I will work on
behalf of our community for our children and our future. Thank
you for your consideration and for voting.**

(This information furnished by Kara Olmo)
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Nonpartisan for

Three Rivers School District, Zone 3



**DAN
TRADER**

OCCUPATION: County Fire & Security Owner.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Audio Visual Security; Owner.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduate of Grants Pass High School.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Nothing Currently.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT:

My goal is to provide helpful insight in the direction of the School District. I would like to merge my business and educational experience in hope of improving the direction and the operating capital that our schools need to exceed in today's challenges.

(This information furnished by Dan Trader)

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Three Rivers School District, Zone 5

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IAN KASSAB

OCCUPATION: I have been a paramedic for the past 18 years. I served as a volunteer firefighter until being hired full-time as a firefighter here in Southern Oregon 13 years ago.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

I have worked for municipalities as well as special districts.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: I am currently attending Rogue Community College.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

We are privileged to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Ian Kassab for a position on the Three Rivers School Board. We first met Ian and his family in 2007 at North Valley High School and served together on the North Valley Booster Club. That next year Ian was elected as Booster Club President, a position he has continued to hold to this day. His willingness to help the school in all aspects did not go unnoticed by staff, administration, parents and students. He takes the time to meet with staff and administrators to come up with solutions that benefit North Valley to help provide a safe and respectful learning environment that the students can have pride in. Ian has been a key player raising money needed to fill in the gaps, from helping teams purchase uniforms, band equipment, classroom needs, campus upkeep and beautification. Ian is also a firm believer in bringing the Community and schools together, which is a benefit to all during these struggling economic times.

He is a dedicated husband and father as well as a true friend. Ian Kassab will be an ideal choice to represent our community in the position of Three Rivers School Board. Please join us in voting for Ian on the May 21st ballot.

Jerry and Jeaneen Beagley

(This information furnished by Ian Kassab)

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RONALD A. LENGWIN

OCCUPATION: Self-Employed.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Grants Pass Ice Company, 23 years; Ron's Imports & Sports, 19 years.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduated from North Valley High School, 1986.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Served on the Three Rivers School Board for 4 years, and served as Chairman for 2 years.

A friend asked why I'm running for another term. Why would I spend another four years working a non-paying high-stress job that consumes around 20 hours a week?

My answer was this: I'm devoted to the Three Rivers School District. I attended it, my kids attend it, and so do another 4700 rural kids. I want to help the district function at the highest level possible.

Three Rivers faces greater challenges than most districts—our students are spread over sixteen schools in two counties; our buses travel more miles than almost any other district in Oregon. Our enrollment is declining and, therefore, our income, \$7,000,000 less than when I joined the board four years ago. Next year Three Rivers will have a new superintendent, and at least three new board members (out of five). The state says we may face another \$2.6 million cut. The district needs stability and experience.

My fellow board members have twice selected me to chair the board, I have served on numerous hiring committees, I have been through four budget cycles, each requiring significant cuts. I visit the schools to talk to the teachers, administrators, and students to see how the system is working. I look for common sense solutions.

In short, I am running again because the job is not done. Three Rivers has huge challenges. I think my experience and my dedication can help make our children's education the best it possibly can be. That is my goal.

(This information furnished by Ronald A. Lengwin)

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Illinois Valley Fire District, Position 1



**CAROL
DICKSON**

OCCUPATION: Semi-retired; owner of Intentional Imperfection Custom Quilting.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Legal secretary; sheriff's office dispatcher, certified police officer, corrections officer, detective, worker's compensation claims

investigator, worker's compensation fraud investigator, country store/deli manager.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduated Illinois Valley High School – National Honor Society; Graduated Rogue Community College – Associate Degree in Business Administration; Graduated Oregon Police Academy; on-the-job training in investigations and first responder medical aid.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Labor union representative; campaign committee for successful County Commissioner Candidate.

I have been a resident of Josephine County for 45 years. I grew up in the Illinois Valley and, upon retirement, moved back from Grants Pass. I am dedicated to the community within which I live. I do everything within my power to promote a positive public picture of the Illinois Valley.

I have served on the Board of Directors of the Illinois Valley Safe House Alliance, Zonta Club of Grants Pass, and am currently on the Board of IVHS Alumni and Friends. I am a founding member of the Valley Girls Quilt Show Committee. We have produced a successful quilt show in Cave Junction for the past five years. The show has raised thousands of dollars for youth focused non-profit organizations in the Illinois Valley, in addition to promoting local businesses. I also started and moderate the Illinois Valley virtual neighborhood watch site on Facebook – To Catch A Thief.

(This information furnished by Carol Dickson)

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**DONALD
FASCHING**

OCCUPATION: Retired.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Police officer; police sergeant; police officer association board of directors; association treasurer; chairperson of legal defense committee; police academy instructor;

employee labor representative; undersheriff; labor contract negotiations team member.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BA degree in Administration of Criminal Justice; AA degree in Criminal Justice.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Six (6) years as Director with the San Diego Police Officer's Association. Fourteen (14) years as an employee legal representative for 1,800 member association. Five and one half years (5 ½) as the undersheriff for Josephine County.

After serving in the United States Army, I began my career in law enforcement. During the following 25 years, I was promoted to police sergeant and given the opportunity to work in a number of field operations, administrative and training assignments. In 1988, I was elected to the Board of Directors of the San Diego Police Officer's Association. I was one of nine directors responsible for labor and safety issues involving 1,800 law enforcement professionals. In that capacity, I assisted with employee contract negotiations, employee labor rights and discipline issues.

In 2007, I was hired as the Undersheriff for the Josephine County Sheriff's Office. While in that assignment, I was responsible for the overall operations of the Office and the jail. I had the opportunity to work with other county administrators and participated in contract negotiations and establishing an operational budget.

I have been a resident of the Illinois Valley for the past nine years. My service with the Sheriff's Office has provided me with significant insight as to the problems and issues concerning public safety in Josephine County. I will do my best to ensure the citizens of the Illinois Valley have quality fire service. I believe I have the background and experience necessary to perform the duties required of a fire district board member. I would appreciate your vote.

(This information furnished by Donald Fasching)

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Illinois Valley Fire District, Position 2



**RICHARD R.
BOUCHARD**

OCCUPATION: Fields Home Center.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Farmers Building Supply; Illinois Building Supply.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Russell Elementary, 6; North Junior High, 9; Taconic High, 12.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

I have lived in the Valley since 1995. I have had knowledge of the Fire Department from my wife Dusty who has passed away. She served twice on the Fire Board. I have been attending the monthly meetings for the last two years. I am also serving a three year position on the Budget Committee. I will do everything I can to keep the volunteers and payed staff safe. I have resently remarried and she is in full support of my choice to run.

(This information furnished by Richard R. Bouchard)

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Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District, Position 1



JERRY SEIBERT

OCCUPATION: Partner/Owner of Pool Construction Company.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Served in the military, Pool and waterpark builder, Historical art consultant, Fish hatchery builder and consultant, Owner/partner pool,

pond and spa retail store, Owner/partner commercial and residential pool construction company Hawaii, Commercial consultant for resorts swimming pools and waterfeatures.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: High school diploma, US Army training, Excavator certification, Fork lift certification, Pool technician certification, Spa technician certification, Pool builder certification, Other Study, NSPI classes, OSHA safety classes, Pond and lake management, Bactria application, Aquatic weed management, Creek and stream health.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: I have worked with US Fisheries and Army Core of Engineers, County and State building and planning departments.

I have lived in Wolf Creek for almost 10 years and have been self-employed most of my life. I am approachable and have an outgoing friendly nature as a lot of Wolf Creek citizens know! As an active member of the community I have donated my time, expertise, building materials and support to various organizations including the Wolf Creek Fire District and will continue to do so.

Government transparency is vital for our community to maintain a healthy democracy. Wolf Creek Fire District is a community owned and operated business. Citizens who are seeking access to public information should not find themselves frustrated with the lack of cooperation, civility, transparency, honest and open communication. I feel strongly about government transparency and I will not hide behind Oregon Revised Statutes as my only answer. Citizens deserve better from their local district government. I will do my best to bring positive change to our district and encourage citizen involvement with their fire department once again. I believe with my business and management background I am the man who will get the job done right!

——— **Vote for Change, Vote for Jerry Seibert** ——

(This information furnished by Jerry Seibert)

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ROXANNE MCCOY

OCCUPATION: Three Rivers Medical Center - Registered Nurse.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Registered Nurse for 43 years; CNA for 4 years.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: San Francisco State University: B.S. Nursing; Peri-Anesthesia Certification; Trauma Emergency Assessment Management Certification; Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Certification; Pediatric Advanced Life Support Certification; Special District Board Training; FEMA, ICS 100/700 and NIMS Certification.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Elected and appointed to the Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District's Board of Directors since 2001.

I have been privileged to serve the Wolf Creek community and the Emergency Responders as a Board member for much of the last 12 years. I desire to continue being part of this dynamic team.

It is with pleasure that I have witnessed the growth of the District. I feel my experience is beneficial when assisting with the District's strategic plan, participating in the grant process and supporting the volunteers' efforts and safety.

Training levels have soared. I support the District's mission of being guardians of life, property and the environment for the citizens of Wolf Creek.

MY GOAL IS TO CONTINUE IMPLEMENTING COST EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES AND BASE OUR GROWTH ON CURRENT AND FUTURE NEEDS OF OUR CITIZENS AND EMERGENCY RESPONDERS.

As a Registered Nurse, I am able to provide assistance with policies and procedures, standards of practice, narrative and legal writings, personnel management and financial responsibility.

As a Board Member, I will continue to attend training sessions and meetings. I am acquainted with board duties, procedures, laws and the history of our department.

As a Community Member, I am able to bring to the Board the desires and concerns of our citizens and work in a forward direction.

Trust in me to assure your interests are represented in a legal and ethical manner assuring **YOUR** District has **YOUR** best interest as a core value. Thank you, Roxanne McCoy, BOD, Position 1.

X VOTE FOR ROXANNE X

(This information furnished by Roxanne McCoy)

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Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District, Position 2



ROBERT STUMBO

OCCUPATION: Owner of the local Mining Shop (Armadillo Mining Shop) Also a Logger and a Miner.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: I've grown up in the Logging industry. (Stumbo Logging.) I've worked in the woods Also in the mills and held all

positions. I'm also a Mill Wright and such have dealt with many problems and their situations. I'm now the Owner of Armadillo Mining Shop and Have learned these skills through my ownership of Stumbo Mining and Mineral Escavation. I'm also a small Farmer.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Sunny Valley Grade School and Wolf Creek Elementary School. I attended and gratitude from Grants Pass High School, Also Southern Oregon State Collage.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: I am on the Josephine County Mineral Advisory Board.

I have lived in Wolf Creek - Sunny Valley all my life. We have one of the Highest Tax Rates for Fire in the State. I want to see that these funds are not spent Frivolously. I will see to it that all peoples questions are answered and the Funds are accounted for.

(This information furnished by Robert Stumbo)

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MARK L. QUIST

OCCUPATION: Oregon Dept of Parks & Recreation - Historic Wolf Creek Inn - Innkeeper; Oregon Licensed General Contractor.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Warehouseman, Teamster Union - Production Worker, Glazier Union - United States

Marine Corps - Sales Rep and Sales Manager for Window Manufacturer - Small Business Owner - Licensed General Contractor in CA.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduate of Cordova High School - American River College - US Marine Corp Training, 6 years - Sales & Management Training Courses by: Dale Carnegie, Tom Hopkins, Zig Ziglar and Brian Tracy.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Current appointed member of the Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District.

I have been a member of the Wolf Creek Community for six years. I have been married to my wife Margaret Quist for 42 years. We have six grown children and 18 grandkids all living in the Wolf Creek area. My mother Dolores moved to Wolf Creek 3 years ago and volunteers preparing the Senior Meals. My wife and children are all active in the community serving on various non-profit boards and volunteer programs. We are a family that believes in being involved and serving the community we call home. I was a Boy Scout Leader for over 18 years in the Sacramento Area. My wife and I were foster Parents in Sacramento County for 20 years serving over 150 children. I am invested in this community and if elected I will continue to give my best to protect your families and your interests. I am anxious to be a part of future growth an development that is planned for the Wolf Creek Fire District.

(This information furnished by Mark L. Quist)

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Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District, Position 3



ROBYN GERELL

OCCUPATION: Contractor, owner operator in a partnership business.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Self Employed Contractor, Administrator and board assistant at the Wolf Creek fire department, Caregiver, Owner operator local espresso and

deli shop, Owner operator of retail, maintenance and construction company Hawaii, Sales consultant fine art Hawaii, Instructor natural horsemanship, Management fine art co-op, Artist, Photographer, Hair dresser, Nursing home aid and nurse assistant.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Diploma from Paradise High California, Oroville beauty school graduate with California State license, Hawaii beauty collage editional credit certificate and Hawaii state license, First Responder, AED and CPR course and certificate, Oregon State Contractor EDU and State license

Other Study, Continuing education construction law, Oregon state budgeting law classes, Oregon public meeting laws, Oregon public records law, Grant writing classes, O-OSHA safety law and practices for construction and fire departments, Equine studies, Art, Photography, Business management, Elder care classes.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Four years as board assistant and administrator for the Wolf Creek Fire District.

I have many years of diverse business experience and working with people from all walks of life. I am outgoing, approachable, friendly, honest and forthright. I have lived in this community for over 9 years. I support Wolf Creek and its citizens. I have worked, participated, volunteered and donated to this unique community. With over 4 years of management experience at the Wolf Creek Fire Department, I have intimate knowledge of all aspects of the operations.

I stand for a united common interest, a realistic future goal, transparency, responsible fiscal spending, open honest communication and change. With my strong business background and knowledge of the district's budgeting, financial and spending practices, I will be much more fiscally conservative with your tax dollars. Vote for honesty, transparency, no personal agendas and board members who will listen to the people!

***** VOTE FOR ROBYN GERELL *****

(This information furnished by Robyn Gerell)

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DANNY SCHILBERG

OCCUPATION: Manufacturer, Sportswear.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Electronics, Materials Management.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Sonoma State University;

Santa Rosa Junior College; Course study primarily business development and management.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Treasurer, Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District, 15 years (Incumbent); Josephine County Task Force on Long Term Funding for Public Safety (ad-hoc) 2008; Sheriff's Office Citizen's Advisory Council, 2002-2004; Josephine County Criminal Justice Task Force (ad-hoc) 2002-2003; Chair, Board of Directors, Sunny Wolf Community Response Team, 2000-2004; Chair, Board of Directors, Small Business Loan Board, SWCRT, 1997-2000. Member, Wolf Creek Park Advisory Board, 1999-present.

We live in beautiful country. Along with that beauty comes a very real danger of fire. Three decades ago our community recognized the threat from fire and formed a district for fire protection and suppression. Today our fire district responds to emergency calls relating to fires and medical needs, including vehicle accidents. Our community supports the fire district through property taxes along with residents volunteering their time and energy.

Community-wide fire safety is a shared responsibility. Residents and visitors must stay vigilant against fires starting and getting out of control. We must also be prepared to defend ourselves from a wildfire coming here from outside the community.

As a volunteer elected by the voters, I have helped our district be responsible in the use of their funds by serving as the Treasurer of the Board. While this position doesn't pay anything, and while it is sometimes a lot of work, I feel that our safety is important enough to invest time and energy for this purpose. All expenses are publicly reported.

The district is frugal and efficient with their small operating budget.

We have a very competent Board of Directors and a fine staff of volunteers. I encourage you to support your fire district and those who contribute their time for our community's safety and security.

(This information furnished by Danny Schilberg)

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Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District, Position 4



ROBYN L. FUGETT

OCCUPATION: Medical Billing Specialist, Emergency Medical Technician – Basic (EMT-B), NFPA Fire Instructor One.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Director of the Board for 2 different volunteer Fire Departments; Volunteer EMT-B for ambulance and

emergency services; Office management of Rural Health Clinic; Office management Internal Medical practice; CPR and First Responder Instructor.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Pinole Valley High School Graduate; Certified EMT-B and CPR Instructor through Umpqua College; multiple Fire, Medical and Administrative courses through Department of Public Safety and Standards Training.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Board Director, Oregon House Fire District, Dobbins, California for 4 years; Board Director, Azalea Rural Fire District, Azalea, Oregon for 4 years.

I have been involved with the Wolf Creek Fire Department for several years, starting as a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician and now being a concerned resident of Wolf Creek. I feel that it is very important for the people who live in Wolf Creek to know what is being done with their tax dollars, as well as having a way to voice an opinion and be heard by those that actually spend those tax dollars. In these economic times, it's important that the business end of our Fire Department be tightly controlled. Spending needs to be watched carefully and it is the job of the Board of Directors to manage that spending. During my two terms on volunteer Fire Department Boards, I have taken many classes on Fire Operations, Board Member roles and responsibilities, and the inner workings of today's rural Fire Departments. That training, combined with my life long work in the administrative end of medical field, gives me the knowledge needed to help take this community in the direction that it wants to go. I think that it has been a long time since the people of Wolf Creek thought they had a say in what happens in their Fire Department, and I would like to bring them back into the fold with open, transparent communication the way it should be.

(This information furnished by Robyn L. Fugett)

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PETER W. KLEINE

OCCUPATION: Ranch Owner - Farmer.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Department Of Navy - Mechanical Engineer; Intergraph Corporation - Senior Engineer; Systems Consulting - CEO, Red Gate Ranch - CEO;

Sunny Wolf Community Response Team - Director & Office Manager; Wolf Creek Civic Association - Board Of Directors Vice-President.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Arrow Head High School, 12th Grade, Diploma; University Of Wisconsin - AA Degree; University Of Arizona - BS Degree - Mechanical Engineering.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Department Of Navy - Engineer; Sunny Wolf Community Response Team - Director & Office Manager; Wolf Creek Civic Association - Board Of Directors Vice-President.

Victoria and I have been residents of Wolf Creek since the summer of 2005. We own and operate the Red Gate Ranch, an organic farming operation. We care about the environment and the community we live in. A wild land fire would devastate our land and community, it imperative that the Wolf Creek Fire Protection District be trained and equipped to successfully fight any fire that comes our way.

I believe in doing my part to help the community I live in. To do that, I have become involved with several local organizations. These organizations include the Sunny Wolf Community Response Team (SWCRT) where I served on the board of directors; Charter member of the London Peak Lions Club; Wolf Creek Civic Association where I'm currently Vice President of the board of directors.

I ask for your vote so that I may continue supporting my community with the Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District (WCRFPD). I believe my skills are a good match with the current WCRFPD board and the positive directions our district is headed.

(This information furnished by Peter W. Kleine)

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Registering to Vote

To vote in Oregon you need to be registered in the county where you reside.

You can register if you can answer yes to these three questions:

- Are you a resident of Oregon?
- Are you a US citizen?
- Are you at least 17 years of age?

If you are 17 years of age, you will not receive a ballot until an election occurs on or after your 18th birthday.

How to register

You can register to vote online at www.oregonvotes.gov or you can get a voter registration card at any of the following places:

- in this Voters' Pamphlet
- any county elections office
- the Secretary of State's Office
- some state agencies such as the Division of Motor Vehicles
- a voter registration drive

You can fill the card out in person or send it in by US mail.

You can also print out a registration card online at www.oregonvotes.gov.

To vote in the May 21, 2013, Special Election your completed voter registration card must be either:

- postmarked by Tuesday, April 30, 2013
- delivered to a county elections office by Tuesday, April 30, 2013 or
- delivered to any voter registration agency (e.g., DMV) by Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

If you register to vote online, your registration must be submitted by 11:59pm on Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

What information is required to register?

To complete your registration you will provide your:

- Full legal name
- Home address
- Date of birth
- Signature
- Valid identification

What are the identification requirements?

1. If you have a current, valid Driver's License, Permit or ID number issued by the State of Oregon Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV), you must provide it in the boxes on the card.

A suspended Driver's License is still valid; a revoked Driver's License is NOT valid.
2. If you do not have a current, valid Driver's License, Permit or ID number issued by the State of Oregon Division of Motor Vehicles, you must affirm this on the card by marking the appropriate circle and you must then provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number.
3. If you do not have a Social Security number, you must affirm this on the card by marking the circle indicating you do not have a valid Driver's License or Social Security number.
4. If you do not have a Driver's License, Permit, ID number, or a Social Security number, and you are registering by mail, you must provide a copy of one of the following which shows the voter's name and current address:
 - valid photo identification
 - a paycheck stub
 - a utility bill
 - a bank statement
 - a government document
 - proof of eligibility under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) or the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act (VAEH)

If you do not provide valid identification, you will not be eligible to vote for Federal races. You will, however, still be eligible to vote for state and local contests.

Updating your voter registration

Once you have registered, you are responsible for keeping your information up to date. You can do this online at www.oregonvotes.gov or by completing and returning a voter registration card with the new information. You should update your registration if you do any of the following:

- change your home address
- change your mailing address
- change your name
- change your signature
- want to change or select a political party
- will be away from home on election day

If you notify your county elections office of your change of residence address after May 16, 2013, you must request that a ballot be mailed to you or go to your county elections office to get your ballot.

MAILING ADDRESS:

**Art Harvey
Josephine County
Clerk & Recorder
P.O. Box 69
Grants Pass, OR 97528**

541-474-5243

Voter Registration Information



Use online voter resources to register or update your registration status.
oregonvotes.gov

qualifications

Are you a citizen of the United States of America? yes no

Are you at least 17 years of age? yes no

If you mark no in response to either of these questions, do not complete this form.

personal information *required information

last name* first* middle

Oregon residence address (include apt. or space number)* city* zip code*

date of birth (month/day/year)* county of residence

phone email

mailing address (required if different than residence) city/state zip code

Oregon Driver's License/ID number

Provide a valid **Oregon Driver's License, Permit or ID:**

I do not have a valid **Oregon Driver's License/Permit/ID**
 The last 4 digits of my Social Security Number (SSN) are:

x x x - x x -

I do not have a valid Oregon Driver's License/Permit/ID or a SSN. I have attached a copy of **acceptable identification**.

political party

- Not a member of a party
- Americans Elect
- Constitution
- Democratic
- Independent
- Libertarian
- Pacific Green
- Progressive
- Republican
- Working Families
- Other _____

signature I swear or affirm that I am qualified to be an elector and I have told the truth on this registration.

sign here _____ date today _____

! *If you sign this card and know it to be false, you can be fined up to \$125,000 and/or jailed for up to 5 years.*

registration updates Complete this section if you are updating your information.

previous registration name previous county and state

home address on previous registration date of birth (month/day/year)

BALLOTS
MUST BE RETURNED
BY
8:00 PM
ON
ELECTION DAY
MAY 21, 2013

Josephine County Official Ballot Drop Site Locations

Open from May 4th until 8 p.m., May 21, 2013

Josephine County Courthouse:

The County Clerk's Office (7:50 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday) *Open 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. on election day*

Justice Building side, ground floor next to the elevator (24 hours / 7 days)

Next to the "C" Street Entrance (Tax Office Entrance) (24 hours / 7 days)

South Grants Pass:

South Valley Bank, 290 Union Avenue, front parking lot (24 hours / 7 days)

Library - Grants Pass Branch Drive-up:

Parking lot behind library. Enter from "C" Street (24 hours / 7 days)

Merlin:

Umpqua Bank, Merlin Rd. & Monument Dr., parking lot (24 hours / 7 days)

Murphy:

Ray's Sentry Market, in front, on the left side of the building (24 hours / 7 days)

Cave Junction:

Cave Junction City Hall, near front entrance (24 hours / 7 days)

**PLEASE
BE SURE TO
SIGN
YOUR
BALLOT RETURN
ENVELOPE**

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