CITIZENS FOR A FAIR FERNDALE CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE CITY COUNCIL 2015

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How long have you lived in Ferndale? 27 years

Describe your community involvement. I am a member of the Ferndale elks, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 130 - Endorsement of the executive board. Through my membership in local organizations we help the person in need, handicap, veterans, youth, and anyone who needs our help.

How the demographics of Ferndale changed in the last 20 years have and what implications does this have for the City Council in the next 5 years? Ferndale has become a very diverse city and the council will need to keep up with all factors, such as; age, race, sex, economic status, level of education, income level, and employment.

What role do Boards and Commissions play in Ferndale's Government? How should members be recruited/screened? I think the www.OnBoardMI.org is very good for people to get involved in the city programs. The boards and commissions help the council to better know more things that are happing in the city and are well needed.

Why did you decide to run for City Council? What has prepared you to hold a City Council seat? I've decided to run for city council because I am retired and I have time to invest to the city of Ferndale. I have owned a business for over 30 years and lived in Ferndale for 27 years.

What is the most productive relationship between Council and the City Manager? To see that we are both working for the best things for the residents.

When there is disagreement on any issue among members of the City Council what is the responsibility of each individual Council member? To look at what is the best for the resident's interest.

Explain the type of development that you see as most beneficial to the Downtown area. Restaurants, you can come to Ferndale and get almost any cuisine.

What specific ideas do you have for reducing expenditures while maintaining city services? The Police, Fire and DPW are very important to me and the city. I fell there should not be any reductions in services they should be in other areas first.

Please give your opinion of the MiLife Health & Wellness Center. Great Idea!!!