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Muskegon County Conservative Women's Caucus
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Dear Candidate :

I serve on the Muskegon County Conservative Women's Caucus and we are asking that you complete the questions below and return at your earliest convenience. We will be placing the questions and your answers on our website: www.muskegonconservativewomen.org for the public to review before the November 2, 2021 Election.

We would appreciate your cooperation in completing these questions by either sending them to the PO BOX listed above or email to karolynr@muskegonconservativewomen.org.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Karolyn Rillema, Vice President
Elections Committee - MCCWC

1. What makes you stand out from the other candidate (s)?

I believe I am uniquely positioned to help my community, as I have a long history with NM and I care about our city greatly. Both my father (Dick Wilson) and grandfather (Larry Wilson) served the North Muskegon community for many years. I was raised to give back to the community. Everyone takes from society and volunteering shows our sense of appreciation. I also love North Muskegon. I have lived here almost my entire life. I have always believed this is the ideal place to live and raise a family. I have been serving on the City Council since 2014 and that experience has made me a more efficient and informed council member. I firmly believe the NM City leadership has been very successful improving our city while preserving a balanced budget and serving our great citizens. I want to continue being a part of our positive movement forward.

2. What's the one issue you plan to address?

Continue to move our parks projects forward. I have helped spearhead this project from a Council perspective from the beginning and I plan to continue to help overcome the many hurdles in our way and help push it to completion

3. What do you hope to accomplish as a Mayor or City Council Member?

As per the previous question – I plan to continue to move our parks projects forward. I have helped spearhead this project from a Council perspective from the beginning and I plan to continue to help overcome the many hurdles in our way and help push it to completion

Continue to be accessible and responsive to all resident's' concerns and ideas

Continue the tradition and commitment to a balanced budget and make fiscally responsible and informed decisions

4. How have you already been volunteering or serving in the city?

I am currently on the North Muskegon City Council and have held the position since 2014. I have also been coaching youth soccer for 15 years and recently helped to bring home the State Championship for Girls Soccer at NMHS. I was on the NM Booster Club for 15 years and I am the Interlaken Association President here in North Muskegon

5. If you are not elected, what would you do to try to help work on ideas or issues that are important to you? And if you are elected, how will you solicit input from community members?

If I were to lose the election, I would like to continue to assist the city with the parks project if they would have me. I will continue to coach, and plan to remain as president of the Interlaken Association.

I seek others' opinions often. As I mention below I know a great number of my fellow NM citizens and am always interested in what they like about the city or how we might improve it. We have also sent questionnaires to solicit opinion on issues that impact our community which have different levels of effectiveness.

6. When you hear about something that concerns you in the city, what steps would you take to see that this concern is resolved?

As stated above, I've been a councilperson since 2014 so I have had an opportunity to voice concerns of my own as well as those of neighbors and other citizens many times. Typically, questions, concerns, issues, etc. are brought up and discussed during our city council meetings. You may know that we currently have a very good council and we can be very effective, creative, and understanding. However, those discussions may not always suffice. It all depends on how complicated the issue is. If the concern is complicated or contentious I often seek the opinions of others in the community. I have lived in NM essentially my whole life so I can leverage many relationships I have in the community to better understand how our citizens feel about and issue.