

Water District #1 of Jo Co Governing Board At-Large 2021

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1. Candidate Information

1. Candidate Name

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2. Candidate for Board Seat

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3. Address

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2. Candidate Background

7. Occupation/Work History (last 5 years - 25 words or less)

My recent work has included the design and administration of geospatial systems (ArcGIS) for use by utilities; security assessments and investigations; and retirement.

8. If you are or have been affiliated with a chamber of commerce or other business organization, please list which organization(s) and any leadership positions you have held.

Served as president on the boards of local security organizations including Information Systems Security Association (ISSA) and the High Technology Crime Investigation Association (HTCIA).

9. Other recent political/community experience (50 words or less)

Recognized by the city of Prairie Village with a lifetime achievement community spirit award in 2018 for service on the WaterOne Board.

3. Issues and Policy

10. As a candidate, what are your top three policy issues regarding the Water District? (100 words or less)

Electric Power Reliability – Continue to assess the level of electric power reliability and ability to supply uninterrupted service. Continue to consider power reliability in design of new facilities. Mitigate, where necessary, with redundancy of supply or backup generating capacity.

Source Water Protection – Continue partnerships to reduce harmful algal blooms in the Kansas River watershed. The Kansas Water Office is the lead partner in the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) for the Milford watershed.

Customer Service – Continue the emphasis on customer service. We have seen continuous improvement and higher ratings, as measured by quarterly surveys.

11. Why are you seeking to serve on the Water District Board? (100 words or less)

WaterOne is a unique public entity. It is a non-profit operated solely for the benefit of its customers. The district is run efficiently and is managed to its fiscal plans. This results in reasonable water rates, triple A bond-ratings, and a safe, reliable, high quality water supply. It is continuously renewing its infrastructure. For example, the treatment plant is now using ozone instead of chlorine for primary disinfection.

I am seeking another term on the Board to continue my service and be an on-going contributor to the leadership of WaterOne.

12. What do you believe makes you uniquely qualified to serve on the Board and most distinguishes you from your opponent(s) in this race? (100 words or less)

My education, training, and work experiences as an accountant, auditor, investigator, information security professional, and geospatial systems analyst and 28 years of service on the board make me uniquely qualified to serve on the WaterOne Board. My career includes working on protection of critical infrastructure – physical and cyber, and on industrial security.

My service on WaterOne's Board has been and will continue to be non-partisan.
