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The question we get all the time.... How do we know who to vote for? Everyone appears to be chanting the same slogans. It is as if it is some sort of trigger that all running like to pull. Could this be why the same people keep getting elected? In our opinion. Questions need to be asked. Questions need to be answered by both new candidates and incumbents. Taxes, community safety and general quality of life. These three topic pretty much incorporate every aspect of the community.

Here is what to ask incumbents:

1. What have you managed to accomplish for your ward or municipality while in office. (if they are general or attempt to piggy back on regional items) First red flag. Ideally they should be able to give you a list of things that they have done. Things that impact your life directly. If they can't be careful of giving your vote.
2. What are your plans to keep taxes at zero increase. (if they give you the general... oh it is a budgetary thing... not within his/her control). Be careful of re-electing a council member that has no real knowledge of business in respect to profit/loss management. General answers are not answers but excuses for not knowing the answer.
3. What are your views on being available to the public? How do people get a hold of you? (If they start with the line... well you can leave me a message or send an email). Don't even consider voting them back in. The correct answer is. My phones are always on and you may call me any time. If I am busy I will get back to you right away. Many incumbents loose the sense of who they work for. So you are their mercy. These types you should not support.

Here is what to ask new candidates:

1. What are three most important issues? If they give you general answers. They themselves do not know the issue or how to solve them. Answers should be definitive, precise and to the point. Keep an eye for general words. For compositions of words that mean nothing. ie: I think the economy is important as is taxes. We need to look at the root of the problem before we can tackle it. Wrong answer. He/she is answering the question without understanding the question.
2. How will you deal with the two front attacks once elected? From one side municipality staff from the other fellow council members. This answer is crucial... as the response will give you a glimpse at the candidates character. If he/she is weak. They will answer with a mediating type of answer. If they stand true to their position. They will answer with "there will be no compromise on my integrity." This is the answer you are looking for.
3. Where do you stand on zero tax increases? How would you introduce it and how will you manage it? This is the deciding question. If they start the answer with "Oh, it depends on budgets". Do not vote for them. They will be no different than what you have now. The answer you are looking for is. 'I will have staff review all spenditures. All projects and developments and attempt to convince fellow council to cut back, reduce and operate more like a business.

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