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Please share why you do / don't feel the leadership of Bourbon County is available to meet / speak with you if needed.

14 responses

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1	anonymous	Williams thinks his shot don't stink
2	anonymous	Tried to meet in the past and was denied
3	anonymous	Have met with them previously on issues and appreciative of them taking the time.
4	anonymous	No one ever answers or cares
5	anonymous	I have not tried to meet with them specifically in recent years, but I do reach out to our state leadership regularly and they are hit-or-miss with responses.
6	anonymous	Very accessible were very helpful when we relocate our horse operation to the County.
7	anonymous	Same as above. I yet to ask to meet with any of them, but I think they would be amenable to meeting.
8	anonymous	It is my experience, personally, that they do
9	anonymous	County judge executive is always willing to meet with people and to hear their concerns or suggestions. This judge is forward thinking, The wall of mediocrity stands in the way of so many ideas/projects.
10	anonymous	They are up on a pedestal, elections are coming shortly.
11	anonymous	I have no experience with which to form an opinion.

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12	anonymous	Calls not returned; concerns about county roads not clearly anyone's responsibility; lack of coordination
13	anonymous	They are available to talk to.
14	anonymous	But it may take some time. It's not McDonald's, it's not always instant.

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The results of this survey will be used, in part, to ask the 2026 slate of Paris – Bourbon County candidates questions in a podcast which will be publicly released. If given the opportunity, what questions would you ask the candidates?

25 responses

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1	anonymous	Do you feel there is a conflict of interest with spouses/family members running for offices that directly work together?
2	anonymous	What would be your plan to make Paris / Bourbon County more attractive for businesses?
3	anonymous	What is your vision for Bourbon County that doesn't fall into the typical playbook of trying to attract a new large employer or company here to "save the county"? How do you plan to capitalize on the people and places we have, and how can we get the long-time property owners in Paris to buy in to improving the beauty of their property and quality of life for all residents?
4	anonymous	My main question would be to the Judge executives that are running. Money that has been gained in the past from the new park. What would they have done with it? My first question would be to Candidate Drew, the money you made while doing the field and track out there where did that money go and how was it dispensed? I do believe that is documented as well by the county? Candidate Tony if you were over the field of track for making money through parking, etc., that was gained by candidate Drew, what would you have done with the money? If there was any other candidate, If any other Candidate I would ask the same question. At the end, I would ask, wasn't the money misappropriated because that is documented buy the county because the county receive no money. Would that be the truth Mr. Pruitt
5	anonymous	What do they feel that they can do to bring growth here. Republican or Democrat ill always vote for who has US in mind.

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6	anonymous	What policies do they support or want to implement? What policies will they implement to support local businesses? What plans do they have to improve emergency services?
7	anonymous	If the land debt and construction cost of the new recreational park was completely paid for “what is the expected annual maintenance and operational cost expected to be”? Not one commissioner, mayor, magistrate or judge can answer that question (I’ve asked), yet they all continue to fund a joint park board with no clue of what the future looks like!
8	anonymous	What are your priorities for spending and growth? I am looking for better animal welfare support as well as more progressive priorities that help everyone, not just the elite farm and business families.
9	anonymous	What is being done to better the schools and pay teachers more? Why are there no funds given to smaller sports teams in school budgets? What is being done to help businesses stay in Paris? Why do we never see chain coffee stores open? What is in place to help small farmers or businesses to stay afloat? Why did taxes take such a large increase? We are 1st time homebuyers of 2024 and 2026 had made our mortgage almost unaffordable.
10	anonymous	Do you support any expansion of BGS? Are you committed to avoiding becoming another Georgetown/ Scott County or Winchester/Clark County?.
11	anonymous	How would you increase business expansion and create much needed housing for young families? Would you consider making Paris Boco a metro type of govt
12	anonymous	What is your stance on the proposed airport at bluegrass station?
13	anonymous	Where do you see bourbon county in 2030 and how do propose to obtain your vision

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14	anonymous	<p>I would challenge you to talk about how the candidates who are running the first time plan to fulfill their roles. Let's use the sheriffs race as the first example. Brent Wilson is the currently chief deputy & that administration has been very successful. He has been apart of the positive change. You then have Mike Jones & Chris Arnett running. Mike was apart of the long running previous administration, as the chief deputy (2nd in command). That administration not only did not provide ample coverage but the community often made jokes about their lack of support or cares. The efforts were minimal & everyone I spoke with felt that they did a bare minimum job. Chris was a local officer but he had a terrible reputation for being a bully. Now I am not here to say people can't change but I do know it's unlikely that the zebra can change all of his stripes. Now let's look at the County Judge Executive. You have Tony Asbury (who is our current sheriff), Drew Perrier & Allison Cox. Tony has been a long time committed leader of this community for his entire adult career. He has served not just his town but his country. My personal thoughts of having that military structure makes your morals and ethics a bit more strict which is good in a higher public office. He has done a fantastic job with the sheriffs dept so why not see what he can do as the CJE? Drew does run a successful business in bourbon county & has other obligations in the community which are celebrated. Should he get this role I would like to know truthfully how much time he can commit to this role. Does it mean that someone else runs his business? Does it mean he won't have time to commit to working with the track team or similar things. I worry that he won't be able to give the necessary time & energy to leverage this role to its most successful position. We need someone who is completely committed. Allison Cox has most everyone scratching their heads. The number of people I have heard say who is this person is pretty eye opening. From the small amount of information I've been able to find about her she hasn't ever served in a political role or any kind. She has been a "professional actor" & the majority of her time has been spent perusing the arts. Let me be clear I think all of that is wonderful but why on Earth would we want to put someone who is not equipped with the knowledge of how the Judicial system operates? My fear is that she would come in & make decisions that she was not qualified to make because she has not been an active part our in county government.</p>

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		I do try to attend meetings when I have the availability & i for one can say I've never witnessed her at one. Which doesn't give me any confidence.
15	anonymous	What are your economic plans for the area that preserves the agricultural industry and the unique landscape that constitutes the inner blue grass region? What are your thoughts on technological advancements such as flock cameras and their potential for abuse and misuse by law enforcement? I see them around Bourbon County/Paris and I don't approve of them. They are ripe for abuse and lead to privacy issues by handing over data of individuals without their express consent.
16	anonymous	Why aren't all of these issues asked and why aren't candidates pressured on giving their own opinions on these topics. There's not one question in this poll I wouldn't ask each and every one of them
17	anonymous	N/a
18	anonymous	1. How do you plan on keeping/ showing transparency with all issues? 2. Are there any plans for Data Centers to be built in Bourbon County? 3. How do you plan making sure you keep your constituents involved in your decision making?
19	anonymous	What actions would you suggest to have a cohesive community and lesson the great divide between left and right. To bring back the good of humanity and love for each other.
20	anonymous	Are you going to be available for the every day person if elected.
21	anonymous	I want to know if they plan on continuing to raise property taxes, why the water went up so significantly, why we have no uber or taxis so we can go out without taking a vehicle if we want to have wine, who approved dumping all of these non-citizens here and are tax dollars being used to house and feed them...are they getting food stamps and other money that should be

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		going to poor local US citizens? What are they doing to keep drugs out of the community. Do they support generally the Trump policies.
22	anonymous	What experience does he/she have in serving in capacity of office he/she is running ?
23	anonymous	What specific actions will you take to improve communication between the City and County and the residents your serve
24	anonymous	Why are decisions made on things that should be on the ballot? Ie, alcohol sales on Sundays, adding parks outside of the city limits. Etc.
25	anonymous	I want to ask candidates “what have you done in the past 10 years, in Bourbon County/Paris, to be an effective elected official?”