

## Questions For Marshall District

### Supervisor Candidates

### Fauquier Taxpayers Association

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Fauquier Taxpayers Association ([www.fauquiertaxpayers.com](http://www.fauquiertaxpayers.com)) is considering endorsing one of the two candidates for Marshall District Supervisor. Please answer the following questions and submit them to Dr. Thomas Valk, Chair by return email. Once answers from both candidates are received, the Board of Fauquier Taxpayers Association will consider an endorsement. In your answers, please be as specific as possible.

#### Questions:

1. What is your position/opinion of the Alwington Farm Developers LLC request to drop the 55 and older age restriction on the Arrington Subdivision? Please cite your reasons for your position/opinion.

Response: As a sitting supervisor, it is not appropriate for me to take a position at this time. The applicant has requested a 90 day postponement and may be requesting changes to the application. However, the previous Board spend considerable time crafting the original agreement, and we would need to evaluate if anything has occurred that necessitates such a change, what the impact would be on schools and taxpayers, and insure that constituent concerns are addressed.

2. What is your position/opinion of the Barrel Oak Vineyards, LLC request for a special exception that would allow the building of a 32,000 square foot, 42-room lodge with private restaurant on 50 acres of land zoned RA, located in Delaplane? Please cite your reasons for your position/opinion.

Response: Again, as a supervisor, it is not appropriate to take a position at this time. However, I have received overwhelming opposition from constituents. The application raises serious concerns about water, sewer, traffic and public safety. Approval of this application would set a precedent that could lead to the rapid commercialization of our rural areas. In addition, it would violate the commitment in our comprehensive plan to keep development in the service districts.

3. If you are elected or reelected to the Marshall Supervisor position, what are the two most important goals for the four year term, why are they on the top of your list, and how would you achieve these goals?

Response:

First -addressing the lack of broadband coverage in the rural areas-we need to continue to work on innovative solutions, explore available options, and work with our state representatives to get the State government involved in a meaningful way.

Second-the County budget-need to continue to apply a laser focus to fund schools, address public safety, and make necessary investments in our future, while maintaining an affordable tax rate.

I want to add a third goal, and that is protection of our rural and agricultural lands-this is what makes Fauquier such a unique place. Development pressures are significant, and it requires constant vigilance to protect what is so important to our heritage.

Thank you for your consideration of these questions. We look forward to hearing from you. Please submit your answers by October 23, 2019 or earlier if possible.