

**RAINBOW WATER DISTRICT
BUDGET COMMITTEE CANDIDATES**

KY FIRESIDE

Rainbow Customer For: 6 years
Neighborhood: Hayden Bridge West-End
Current Occupation: Archaeologist

What experiences / training / qualifications do you have for Rainbow's Budget Committee?

I draw experience from several different areas of my background. I bring financial literacy and job history which includes finance and budgeting: managing sales, associates, and inventory, including one business which required managing livestock ordering.

I now work in environmental planning which requires balance of long-term and short-term goals for project budgets. There's also an element of environmental compliance with reports I deliver to clients and we are bound by a set of professional ethics set out by our professional societies.

What specific contributions do you hope to make to the Rainbow community?

I hope to help the Rainbow community create a budget that's as efficient as possible so that each dollar spent can do the most good. I know that there was a downward sales trend over the last ten years or so and I want to help ensure the essential services provided by Rainbow are protected and stable. I'd also like to bring perspectives from the community that may not currently be represented on the committee.

Briefly describe your involvement in relevant community groups and activities.

I combine my professional training and experience with community service work I have done like voter registration canvassing and food bank volunteering. I've also been working with a community group to find a way to keep the library fully financed without overburdening the city's budget.

What community topics concern you that relate to Rainbow's Budget Committee? Why do you want to become a member of this committee?

Maintaining infrastructure while balancing reduced revenue and considering cost increases. No one wants a fee increase to be the first reaction, but there's also a point at which critical infrastructure must be repaired or replaced. I just want to make sure all options are considered when these difficult decisions have to be made.

MANUEL BALESTERI

Rainbow Customer For: 35 years
Neighborhood: Mid-Hayden Bridge
Current Occupation: Investor / Retired

What experiences / training / qualifications do you have for Rainbow's Budget Committee?

I have over 30 years experience in procurement and contracts management. I've worked in startups (JCI) and Fortune 100 companies (Raytheon) and have managed small and large budgets.

What specific contributions do you hope to make to the Rainbow community?

I'm a big Rainbow water "fan" from both a customer perspective and observing your business practices.

Briefly describe your involvement in relevant community groups and activities.

Limited. Having raised 5 children in this community, I've been involved primarily in their care. I have coached all of them in sporting activities. I have been a member of Greenhill's budget advisory committee.

What community topics concern you that relate to Rainbow's Budget Committee? Why do you want to become a member of this committee?

I just like the way Rainbow does business and treats their customers. I want that to continue.

RON DAVIS

Rainbow Customer For: 30 years
Neighborhood: Mid-Hayden Bridge
Current Occupation: Construction Estimator

What experiences / training / qualifications do you have for Rainbow's Budget Committee?

I have 20+ years' experience in construction estimating and project management, as well as purchasing agent in the plumbing/piping industry. I began locally at Twin Rivers plumbing, and I currently work for Hydro-Temp Mechanical as their senior estimator.

What specific contributions do you hope to make to the Rainbow community?

I hope to instill integrity, transparency, and support the customers in the District. I care about people and desire everyone to have safe, clean, and reliable water. I would like to give the Rainbow customer a voice as well.

Briefly describe your involvement in relevant community groups and activities.

I am an active weekly volunteer at the Eugene Mission and have been for the last 18 years supporting the guests in their recovery. I am a past president of Cascade Family Fly Fishers and dealt with budgets, volunteers for outings and fundraisers. I recently completed a 6-year term as an Elder at Northwood Christian Church.

What community topics concern you that relate to Rainbow's Budget Committee? Why do you want to become a member of this committee?

My highest concern is affordable clean water and the native fish habitat including conserving the riparian zone. I want to be a voice for the community and be active in the solutions needed.

RANDY MARTIN

Rainbow Customer For: 56 years
Neighborhood: Hayden Bridge East-End
Current Occupation: Retired

What experiences / training / qualifications do you have for Rainbow's Budget Committee?

To start with, my wife Susan and I have been Rainbow Water customers since 1969. We have had excellent service the entire time. I started out working for Weyerhaeuser in 1969, held many positions from labor to employee training, and various supervisory positions. In 1990, I went to Emerald Hydraulics and Chrome World (Industrial Chrome) and was the supervisor for 11 years. In late 2001, I made a move to the powersports and marine industry until my retirement. There I did sales, marketing, financing and sport shows.

What specific contributions do you hope to make to the Rainbow community?

The contributions I hope to make involve learning, listening and making the right decisions, not only for the employees but for the customer base in the Rainbow Water District.

Briefly describe your involvement in relevant community groups and activities.

Although I am not part of any specific community groups other than my church, I have always had a deep interest in the workings of my community. I had the pleasure of being a personal friend of Vance Freeman and had many conversations with him when he was Lane County Commissioner and Mayor of Springfield regarding issues that affect Springfield. Also I had the pleasure of working with Bill Morissette who later became a State Representative.

What community topics concern you that relate to Rainbow's Budget Committee? Why do you want to become a member of this committee?

In the future, I believe water will become a commodity that has far more importance than it has in the past. I'd like to be involved in all aspects of that. I have been a part of the Springfield community my entire life and have a vested interest in all aspects of making it a better place to live for today and for future generations.