

Melody Harrison

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I wish to be considered for the open town council seat. I have a intense affinity for New Castle and my friends and neighbors who live here, are trying to move here, or move back.

You all know, I was just recently appointed to P&Z. I have a very determined vision that New Castle provide attainable housing to all who wish to reside here. I have made it a point to search out information to accomplish this, and become more valuable to the P&Z commission.

With development resuming and the down valley push of attainable housing, with what I now believe is in the wind as far as development in New Castle, I want a louder voice, a bigger pencil so to speak. I believe there is room for the \$500K plus homes in New Castle, but not without attainable housing that is affordable to young families starting out. We are a family community and I want to contribute my energies to see New Castle developed and grow in that way.

Along with the attainable housing I feel we need to establish more concentrated commercial areas, focusing on downtown and the entrance of town (I-70 exit). I feel council and P&Z need to redo the comprehensive plan, and I brought that up at the last meeting of P&Z. I feel a strong working partnership, mutually beneficial to all, needs to be fostered with the developers and/or land owners.

Sincerely

Brad Gates