

Board Candidate Information

Candidate name Sheila Lieder

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Candidate Information: *will be supplied to the press and district voters*

Education, personal skills or experience you feel are applicable to your candidacy:

I believe the varied skills and knowledge I poses makes me an excellent candidate for this position. Starting with; Telecommunications Engineering Certificate- University of Phoenix, Method for more effective state government affairs- Lobbyist School (Engineering THE LAW, Inc), Leadership training, I, II (certificate)- University of Iowa, Campaign Finance Training- CO Secretary of State, As a 35+ year employee of the Telecom industry, holding several different positions which has granted me the ability to build my personal skill of working with a broad array of business and professions at all levels. Such as Extensive project management skills to coordinate with Business/Government services as required.

Assist engineers with equipment orders, cabling issues, material lists, assignments, and floor space planning. Coordinated with local, national and community organizations with policies and initiatives. Ensure customer relations were being met. I have also sat on a variety of Executive Boards and assisted with the development of budgets ranging from \$80,000 to Multi-Million-dollar budgets. In addition, I am active in the community ranging from the past of being a Merit Badge Coordinator, for the Boy Scout of America, as my son is an Eagle Scout. Volunteering with Colorado Alliance for Retirees 2008-PRESENT, I am a current member of the Tri-County Workforce Development Board (WIB) 2013-Present and I have been elected to my Homeowner's Association as President, 2012-present, Vice President 2006-2012. I bring this wide variety of Education, personal skills and experience of interacting with varied groups of individuals of all age ranges, economic stator as well as several types of Business. This Makes Sheila Lieder your true LEADER to be a LEADER of the Foothills Parks and Recreation Board of Directors. I would appreciate your vote.

How many years have you lived in the District? 13 years

Do you use District facilities? Yes **If yes, which ones?** Peak Community & Wellness Center, Lilly Gulch Recreation center, Foothills Golf Course, Robert F Clement Park, Clement Park Loop Trail, Alpers Farm Park.

Please describe what you consider to be the most important need that the District has, and what action you would take as a board member regarding that need:

I believe there are several important needs that this district and all Foothills District have. Unfortunately, there is still one need that affects District 3 as well as all Districts, although a Mill Levy was just passed, there still remains the need for more finances. The districts financing has been extremely low for a long time, that the Mill Levy will help, but it is not the sole answer and we need to be smart on how the money is spent, low bid is not always your best bid in the long term, look at their track record of completion on time, quality of work, repairs, add on etc. All options need to be looked at, but not all utilized. Look at

fundraising with a different perspective, see what has worked and what has not. There needs to be a balance in the way financing is sought, it cannot continue to be done by selling off our open space or from taxing the families who live in the districts. Look at the budget and find what areas have the most reoccurring costs and see if there is a way to correct it. Seek out innovative means for fundraising. The facilities that Foothills provides are extremely import, to our children as they need a place they can go and hang out that has some structure to it, after school activities, a well-rounded program for families, singles, seniors for all community groups. Golf Courses, Parks, Trails and Pools, they all need to be maintained. As well as the Recreation Centers

What would you like to accomplish as a member of the Board?

To see Foothills Parks and Recreation Centers thrive, so all the facilities, Golf Courses, Parks, Trails and Amenities can do the same. Keep our Open Space open, a significant number of people have moved here recently, because of the Colorado way of life and we need to maintain that balance. Yes, housing is an issue, but we cannot give up all of our land there must be a balance. Need to have innovative ways to engage the community. I know everyone will not be satisfied with the course of action that the Board of Directors take every time, but we can always increase those odds. In addition, let the community know they are being heard, there may be a solution in what they are saying. If people feel they are a part of something they will flourish.

What is your primary motivation for running for the Board of Directors at this time?

I believe there needs to be a balance of open Space land and selling it. The Foothills Parks and recreation Districts needs to maintain what services they provide now and keep them for the future. I would like to see them grow to support the additional people who have moved into the districts and the area.

What personal attributes do you have that you think would make you a good board member?

I bring a wide variety of Education, personal skills and experience of interacting with varied groups of individuals of all age ranges, economic stator. As a 35+ year employee in the Telecom industry, holding several different positions, has granted me the ability to build my personal skill of working with a broad array of business and professions at all levels. Such as Extensive project management skills to coordinate with Business/Government services as required. The ability to listen and relate to all types of individuals is key in problem solving. I have an old saying; "You are either part of the problem or you are part of the solution.

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