

Cox for Council

In First Ward - (Petition signing now for General Election)

It's Time To Change for Better Government

- *Our City is \$3,000,000.00 in debt.*
- *We just had a staggering 19.3% increase in taxes, 40% increase in water rates, and a host of new and higher fees.*
- *It gets Worse! City manager Molino just said a 20% - 25% tax increase is likely for 2008. No one can afford this, yet certain council members keep spending our money, again and again. Our Seniors are being forced to sell.*
- *Its time to end bad governing and elect responsible people for city council who will get the job done! The big tax spenders votes are on record. Vote them out!*

My Platform:

Good Government/Better Government:

- ✓ **No New Debt** unless it is required by law or it is a “right now” emergency.
- ✓ Reduce existing debt by collecting unpaid taxes and unpaid fees. **Sounds simple but they don't do it! The city is expert at spending, but poor at collecting!**
- ✓ Full disclosure of all existing and potential debt obligations. **No more surprises!**
- ✓ Live within our budget. Focus on how to reduce operating expenses, not services.
- ✓ Make Council Members and City Manager accountable for their actions. Have a “no confidence” recall procedure put in the City Charter for elected officials.
- ✓ Attract more companies to the city to create jobs, and spread the tax burden.
- ✓ Eliminate bad decision making and party politics that hurt our citizens and city.

Safe Neighborhoods, our Youth & Youth Bureau, and our Senior Citizens:

- ✓ Make our neighborhoods crime resistant and drug free. Enforce the law and ticket stop sign violators, speeders, and excessively loud car radios.
- ✓ Help our youth find part-time and summer jobs so they can learn what will be expected of them later, help teach them discipline, and build their self esteem.
- ✓ Make sure our Senior Citizens, who have worked hard all their life, can afford to live here when they retire, and not have to move away due to high taxes and fees. **The amount of houses for sale in the city is staggering.**

Elect Progressive City Council members who stand for positive change and fiscal responsibility.

- ✓ Re-elect the good council members – examine their council voting records for and against higher debt (not what they say they stand for) and other spending decisions they voted for. Watch their votes for more debt right now!
- ✓ Replace the “Pro-Debt / Big- Spender” council members with candidates who will get the job done. They had four (4) years to get the job done. **Not only did they fail, they put us \$3,000,000 in debt!**

Experience and Performance Counts:

- ✓ 25 Years as Founder/CEO Marktec Products, Inc. a \$1,000,000 + Distributor of industrial equipment. Chief Sales and Marketing Executive.
- ✓ Served on National Advisory Boards for Suppliers.
- ✓ Previous Regional Sales Manager for Northern New Jersey and Metropolitan NYC for national company.
- ✓ Made thousands of business decisions. Know how to listen to people, ask the right questions, analyze problems, determine available options, and focus on best overall solutions that are cost effective and affordable.
- ✓ I can work with people on both sides of an issue to accomplish an objective.

Community Service and Working Knowledge of Batavia and Genesee County:

- ✓ I regularly speak out at Public Hearings and write letters to the Daily News to express my opinion and to share details with citizens which they may not know.
- ✓ Member, City of Batavia Planning & Development Committee for six years, 5 years as chairperson.
- ✓ Member, Work Force Investment Board (WIB) for 4-County GLOW Region.
- ✓ Member, Best Center Advisory Board at GCC, current chairperson.
- ✓ Serving Elder Presbyterian Church – E. Main St, Batavia, N.Y.
- ✓ Leadership Genesee Graduate, Class of 2002.

Personal:

- ✓ Western New Yorker - Grew up in West Seneca, N.Y.
- ✓ Married to wife Diane, reside at 109 Elm Street.
- ✓ Age 65. Two grown children.
- ✓ Graduated from Canisius College, Buffalo, NY – B.S. Degree in Business Administration with Marketing Major.
- ✓ Republican for 47 years – Financially Conservative. Fed Up with taxes. We need to get rid of the council members who keep voting for unnecessary debt.
- ✓ I will continue to live in Batavia when I retire.

You Have the Power to Make Change Happen:

- ***It is my privilege to have been endorsed by the Democratic Party. I will be coming house to house soon with a Democratic Committee person. Remember you can only sign for one candidate or else your signature will be voided later. Make your signature count for Better Government and lower taxes in the city.***
- Give me your ideas on how we can improve things.
- Get involved in City Government on a committee to make it better.
- Help my campaign with your signature, as a volunteer, and a donation.
- Call me at 344-3914 and visit my website www.CBGBNY.org which stands for Citizens for Better Government Batavia N.Y. E-mail your suggestions and comments on any subject, right on the web site. ***Together we can succeed.***
- ***I ask for your petition support now and vote later. We need to make a change for Better Government now. Thank you. Bill Cox***

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