

**BETHLEHEM  
CITY COUNCIL  
AT LARGE**

Term: 4 years

Vote for not more than three

Democratic

**PAIGE VAN WIRT**

<http://www.drpaigeforcouncil.com>

**D.O.B.** 1967

**EDUCATION:** Savannah Country Day School, 1985; Cornell University, B.A., Government, 1989;

NYU Wagner School of Public Service, Master of Urban Planning, 1997; Georgetown U. School of Medicine, Medical Doctor, 2001

**OCCUPATION:** physician, founding partner, Rosenfeld Van Wirt PC Medical practice, caring for patients in nursing homes.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Small business owner, previous city planner, previous municipal bond analyst. Ran write in campaign for city council in 2017, earning over 1700 write-in votes.

**RESPONSE:** Accountability. A healthy city council is a diverse city council, one that understands the primary role of council is to represent the citizens, and when voting, ensures that the power of the Mayor is balanced by the power of city council. The citizens deserve an experienced, independent, free-thinking voice on council, with allegiance only to the citizens of Bethlehem. I will be that voice. Semper Pro Populus: Always for the People.

**CAROL RITTER**

**D.O.B.** 1951

**EDUCATION:** - Graduate Liberty High School, nonprofit courses, Moravian College

**OCCUPATION:** Co-Founder of CarolTalks.com - Small Business Consultant, Fundraising Specialist, Motivational Speaker, Social Media Expert

**QUALIFICATIONS:** President Pennsylvania PTA; 2 years, Board Chairman St. Luke's Hospital VNA & Hospice; 2 years, President National Speakers Association Philadelphia, one year; Alternate Bethlehem Zoning Board; School Director, 4 years.

**RESPONSE:** The major issue in this campaign is advancing Quality of Life in Bethlehem. I will pay attention to public safety, safe neighborhoods and a clean environment. Part of increasing the Quality of Life is to support common sense development, an essential element to the success of our city. The strength of our downtowns are in its small businesses. I will work toward supporting our small businesses and creating the right environment for them to thrive.

**DAVID SALTZER**

<http://www.facebook.com/davidslatzerforcob.com>

**D.O.B.** 1975

**EDUCATION:** Saucon Valley High School; Allentown Fire Academy

**OCCUPATION:** 911 Dispatcher/Acting Supervisor Lehigh County

**QUALIFICATIONS:** My experience as a city firefighter, 911 dispatcher and union president allows me to use my years of experience interacting with all aspect of city government, negotiating contracts, language, speaking on issues and sitting on committees.

**RESPONSE:** My first and foremost goal as a council member will be to make Bethlehem a safer city for our residents, visitors, and employees. As a retired Bethlehem Firefighter I feel that we need to do everything in our power to make sure everyone is safe and goes home at the end of the day. I'd like to explore an apprenticeship program and bring a joint training facility to the city for all employees.

### **J. WILLIAMS REYNOLDS**

[http:// www.jwilliamsreynolds.org](http://www.jwilliamsreynolds.org)

**D.O.B.** 1981

**EDUCATION:** Liberty High School, 1999; Moravian College, 2003

**OCCUPATION:** Teacher, Allentown School District; Bethlehem city Councilman (President 2014-2017)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Moravian college Alumni Association President (2018-present); Bethlehem

Area Public Library (2008-2014) Board of Directors; five Star Heart Project Board of directors; Governor Wolf Transition Team; Chairman City Council Environmental Community.

**RESPONSE:** Bethlehem must maintain our high quality of life as well as become a more progressive city. My work on City Council has focused on our Climate Action Plan, neighborhood investment (NorthSide 2027), job creation, basic city services, and fiscal responsibility. If re-elected, I will continue to support the priorities of our citizens as well as find local solutions to problems that our federal and state governments are unable or unwilling to solve.

### **MICHAEL G. COLON**

**D.O.B.** 1986

**EDUCATION:** Graduate of Liberty High School '04; Penn State University, B.A. Political Science '08

**OCCUPATION:** Admissions Coordinator at Gracedale Nursing Home, City Councilman

**QUALIFICATIONS:** City Councilman since 2016; Graduate of Bethlehem Citizens' Academy

**RESPONSE:** A major issue facing not only Bethlehem but also our region and country is the rising rate of opioid overdoses and deaths. This problem impacts the safety, health, and quality of life of our community. Bethlehem has already implemented programs including BPAIR (Bethlehem Police Assisting in Recovery), community drop boxes to safely dispose of unused prescriptions from homes, and the use of Naloxone by first responders. I will continue to support programs and community efforts to quell the spread of this problem.

### **Republican**

No candidates

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**GRACE CRAMPSIE SMITH**

No reply

**WILL CARPENTER**

**D.O.B:** 1968

**EDUCATION:** B.S. Cornell, 1990, Applied Economics and Business Management.

**OCUPATION:** Software Sales, SRC Solutions, Inc.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Twenty years experience working with municipalities and developers. For both large and small scale projects, I have experienced how strong cities operate to get the most for citizens. Solid business experience with budgets, project management and operational oversight. I believe in sustainable practices and have never worked for a developer.

**RESPONSE:** Protect and value our history as we thoughtfully prepare for our future. Bethlehem is in a great place. People want to live here, businesses want to operate here. Responsible growth will position us for the changing economy and good jobs. Our first responsibility is to our current residents. Use this opportunity to improve public works, public safety, affordable housing and the many challenges of homelessness.

Keep Bethlehem a great place to live, learn and work.

**ASHLEY DAUBERT**

No reply

**CITY OF EASTON**

**MAYOR**

**Democratic**

**SAL PANTO**

**D.O.B.** 1951

**EDUCATION:** Notre Dame High School, 1969; Kutztown State University, B.S. Education, 1973; Lehigh University, M.Ed. Administration, 1980; Honorary Doctorate from Lafayette College, 2010.

**OCCUPATION:** Mayor City of Easton

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Mayor 1984-1992; current Mayor 2008-present; Fire Civil Service Board, City of Easton, 1980-1984.

**REPONSE:** No one can doubt the renaissance taking place in Easton. But there is more to do. I want Easton to continue being an inclusive and diverse city and increase our higher quality of life. JFK said it best “a rising tide lifts all boats.” That means we need to use our economic recovery to benefit all people. We will work with our Redevelopment Authority and Housing Authority to make affordable housing programs a priority.

**TAIBA SULTANA**

No reply

**Republican**

No candidates

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**KENNETH BROWN**

**DAVID O'CONNELL**

**PETER MELON**

**Republican**

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