

My name is Johnny Wilson, i have lived in Midway most of my life. I not ~~am~~ planning to run for the upcoming city council election. I'm a clean ~~state~~ slate and haven't any ~~any~~ business dealings with anybody in Midway.

I graduated from Woodford High school in 1967. I served in the U.S. Air Force 1968-72. I've worked in factories, horse farms + Kroger until i retired in 2011.

I will be married for 50 years in May, to Beverly. We four children and 7 grandchildren.

I love Midway and i know i'll never take Libby's place but to do a fairly good job for the citizens of Midway in the short term.

I'm 69

Phone (859) 202-9799 *Johnny Wilson*

I, Joe Fisher, would like to submit my name for consideration to fill the current Midway City Council vacancy. I believe that I possess many qualities which would make me a very capable candidate for this position. While all of the members already know me, I would like to briefly explain why I would be an excellent replacement for this vacancy. I have been a Midway resident, as well as the owner of Fisher Antiques on Main St. for nearly 4 years. Therefore, I am able to contribute valuable insight as a resident and small business owner. My educational history includes a Master of Business Administration from the University of Kentucky and a Bachelor of Science with emphasis on Finance from Georgetown College. This background has provided a foundation of knowledge in financial and economic issues which I could easily utilize in a position on the council. In addition to my educational qualifications, I also have employment history in the Public Works industry, specifically Water/Wastewater systems. From this experience, I have worked with city officials and engineers across the state in order to solve problematic city infrastructures.

While it may seem a trivial matter to some, the Fisher family has deep roots in Midway. My family has lived in Midway for at least 5 generations. With family members stretching from Northside to the Homeplace and several in-between, I possess not only a strong business interest in the community but a very personal one as well. As such, I have an exceptional desire to see Midway thrive and advance as a community.

Lastly, the current Council has indicated a desire to make positions attractive to "younger" persons. As was discussed when considering the pay raises for the council, part of the reason for the increase was to attract "younger people (who) would be willing to give their time up for, and we think that if we raise the money that maybe we'll get some fresh, new ideas." And while the rate increase does not go into effect until the following term, I would be able to bring a refreshing and supplemental perspective to the council as I have just recently turned 30.

In conclusion, I am inimitably suited to be of benefit to the community as a part of the city council. My educational and vocational background provides me with a broad, yet relevant knowledge base relating to community issues. I have made it a point throughout my time in Midway to stay acutely connected to the local news and civic matters. I am also uniquely connected to general community opinions as both a resident and business owner. I have a very sincere desire to ensure the well-being of the City of Midway, and greatly appreciate the council's consideration and best judgement in the matter of this vacancy.

Freeland Davis
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March 9, 2018

Dear Mayor Vandegrift & Council:

I respectfully submit myself for consideration as a candidate to fill the remaining unexpired term of the council seat left by the death of Libby Warfield. As you will see in the bio included with this letter, I may have some experience in housing and community development that could lend itself to the benefit of the City of Midway.

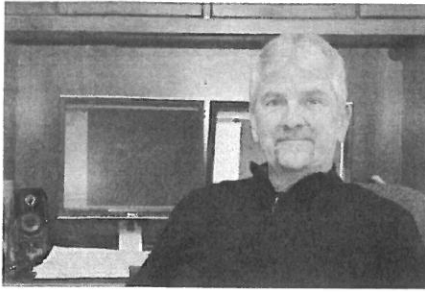
As a "Lexington transplant", I do not have the good fortune of being a native born Midwegian nor do I bring the benefit of first-hand knowledge of the rich heritage of our little town. However, I am a Midwegian by choice following a 2-3 year exhaustive effort to relocate here, which in many ways gives me an even greater appreciation for the peaceful solitude and rich sense of community offered by our town and its residents. Having finally escaped the madness of Lexington, I will be an avid proponent of preservation of our way of life without crippling us by failure to carefully and methodically embrace inevitable growth within limits.

It was only after reading in the Woodford Sun that the preferable candidate would not seek election to the permanent seat this fall that I allowed myself to consider contributing for these few remaining months. I have no interest in a permanent council seat, but would use this time to learn more about the intricacies of Midway government and in doing so find a niche to offer myself as a volunteer in the future. As you will also see in my bio, I only recently retired as Area Director of a large community homeless program in Lexington and would like to find a cause in my home community to which I can contribute.

Respectfully,

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Freeland Davis



Freeland Davis
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BACKGROUND:

Born in South Williamson, Kentucky the son of a coal miner, I came to the Central Kentucky region in 1985, living in Lexington until relocating to Midway in 2014. My varied career has afforded me extensive experience in contract administration; budgeting; compliance with local, state, and federal statutes/ordinances; and project development leveraging private, local, state, and federal funding sources.

EMPLOYMENT:

1974 – 1992 Contract Administration for ***Island Creek Corporation***, a wholly owned subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum with headquarters in Lexington. Responsible for administering lease compliance for control of coal reserves and surface use rights in 7 states. Occidental sold the coal division and closed the Lexington corporate office in 1991.

1992 – 1999 Loan Acquisition Specialist / Regional Manager for the ***A. Myers Davis Development Company***, a for-profit development company with focus on low-income housing tax credit program units throughout Central Kentucky. Duties included market analysis to determine feasibility of locating multi-family units in rural areas followed by acquisition of sites and subsequent zone changes/adjustments as needed. Responsible for acquisition of and leveraging funding for development using federal and state housing funds administered by USDA Farmers Home Administration; the Kentucky Housing Corporation; and local/city governments. Upon completion of construction, I assisted with syndication of low-income housing tax credits and also provided oversight of local site managers insuring compliance with low-income housing tax credit requirements. This company closed in 1999 following retirement of the owner and CEO.

1999 – 2002 VP for Housing Development at ***Community Ventures Corporation***, a 33-county non-profit economic development organization with a mission to rebuild low-income communities through education, lending, housing, employment, and business development. Responsible for CVC's housing development programs including budgeting, development, and funding for single family affordable housing units followed by extensive homebuyer education programs designed to help low-income families not only achieve home ownership, but to continue to sustain it. Arranged financing through partnerships of local community banks, Kentucky Housing Corporation's housing programs, and successfully achieved membership with Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation with focus on revitalization of blighted and deteriorating neighborhoods while preserving their architectural and cultural character. While at CVC, we provided financing, construction, and homebuyer education support for families in the Elkton Place neighborhood here in Midway as part of our neighborhood revitalization efforts. We also revitalized and replaced deteriorated housing units in the historic Pralltown Neighborhood in Lexington, reclaiming that neighborhood from an influx of substandard student housing for University of Kentucky students, reintroducing home ownership to families who had earlier lived in there. Worked closely with the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government using HUD funds as well as with the Board of Architectural Review and Bluegrass Historic Preservation groups.

2002 - Present Director of Property Administration for ***Alliance Coal, LLC*** at its corporate offices in Lexington. Resuming a previous career in contract administration and compliance with virtually the same duties while with Island Creek.

VOLUNTEER:

Co-Founder and Area Director of *Room In The Inn Ministry*, a non-profit program to provide food, clothing and shelter to homeless persons in the Lexington area. At a period when adequate shelter for homeless persons in Lexington was very limited, I and another associate researched an existing program from Nashville, TN and brought a chapter of this ministry to Lexington. Through *Room In The Inn*, we coordinated placement and shelter for homeless men at 26 area churches of all denominations in the Lexington area whereby they (the churches) would provide transportation to deliver small groups of men to their church facilities each evening where they were provided shelter, bedding, and food as well as shower and laundry facilities allowing them to maintain personal hygiene. We also coordinated contribution of limited medical, dental, and vision services at no cost to the participants. My duties were recruitment and training of area churches followed by scheduling and administration of all aspects of the ministry. I also interviewed, screened, and approved all homeless guests invited to participate. After moving to Midway in 2014, the logistics made it impossible for me to be as accessible and available as necessary to effectively administer this after-hours ministry, so I delegated to others and only this year fully retired from the ministry.

PERSONAL:

My wife Dana and I have been married for 42 years. We have no biological children; however, we did informally “adopt” as our own two beautiful children from an abusive home environment. We have loved and nurtured them as though they were our own (to us, they ARE!!) and been privileged to be an integral part of their lives since they were babies. They now live in Florida and are a high school junior and a junior in college – yet they still consider us home.

Only recently, we convinced my 86-year-old Mother to retire from her small W.Va. farm and move into the Midway School Apartments where she continues enjoying a vibrant and independent life enjoying daily interaction with her dear friends and neighbors at the apartment community. What a treasure for Midway to have this facility!!!

Dana and I enjoy our home and close relationships with our friends and neighbors on Mill Road. As with the rest of Midway, this has been a very welcoming and close-knit community and we feel privileged to have been adopted into it. Dana only recently retired and I look forward to doing the same in the not-too-distant future.



Timberfence Capital Partners, LLC

TO: Midway City Council Members

FROM: Michael S. Michalisin

DATE: 12 March 2018

SUBJECT: Candidacy for Vacant City Council Seat

Honorable Members of The City Council of Midway, KY:

I hereby declare my candidacy for the vacant seat on your Council.

As a four-year resident of, and business owner in, the City of Midway, I am very humbled by the opportunity to submit this letter. This city has welcomed me in ways I will forever be grateful for. Its people and its institutions have become integral parts of my life. This has become my home and I would view service on your Council as a temporary but meaningful way to give back to a city that has given me so much.

My clear intention would be to serve out the remaining months of Ms. Warfield's term, and not stand for re-election.

By way of background, I have spent most of my life in the northeastern US. I hold a bachelor's degree from Boston College, MBA from The University of Maryland, and a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation. I had a 20-year Wall Street career working most of that time for two major New York investment firms – Deutsche Bank and MacKay Shields. At Deutsche Bank I was a senior investment analyst and Vice President and at MacKay Shields I was a portfolio manager and Director. My job at MacKay Shields involved managing roughly \$5 billion in institutional client assets, including cities, states, endowments, unions, pensions, etc.

And like all good Kentuckians, I have a horse habit.

I have bred thoroughbred horses in Kentucky and New York that have had success at major racetracks across the country. I first got to know and admire Midway when visiting my new foals on the ground at December Farm in Georgetown in 2006. My love of the horse and my finance training is what prompted me to move to Midway and start an equine-focused investment company called Timberfence Capital Partners, LLC. That company's headquarters – and my residence – is at the Old City Hall building in downtown Midway. I own and run as its CEO a Lexington retail business – Bob Mickler's – which I have brought to Midway for pop-ups and events and my hope is to open a permanent location in our city in the near-term.

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Since moving to Midway, I have accepted various local volunteer positions. I serve as the Treasurer of the Makers Mark Secretariat Center, which is a horse aftercare charity based at the Kentucky Horse Park. I am also a member of the Midway University Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) and a member of the school's Ambassador Board. My retail company is also a sponsor and supporter of the Midway University equestrian teams. Additionally (and proudly), I have recently founded and launched the Boston College Alumni Chapter of Kentucky and will organize local events.

I have had the chance to see firsthand some of the challenges and opportunities facing our local businesses and believe I would be a resource to the Council on matters of this nature. As a business owner and leader of a team of employees, I understand the nuances of commercial activity. I would be hopeful that my finance, accounting, and investment experience would also benefit the Council on issues related to budgeting and resource allocation.

Looking out my window every day over our downtown, I feel quite lucky to be a small part of this city. I would welcome a chance to do what I can to help guide its continued success as a City Council Member.

Sincerely,

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Michael S. Michalisin
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Dear City Council Members,

I'm writing to express my interest in filling the vacant seat on the city council. I understand that this is a temporary position ending in December of 2018. If chosen for this roll, I would have no intention of running for the council this fall; however I would not rule it out in the future.

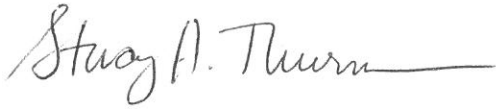
Since I moved to Midway in 2009, I have come to love this city and can't imagine living anywhere else. I am a community-minded person; something I believe was instilled in me during my undergraduate time at Berea College where social conscience is deeply ingrained in education. I was fortunate enough to land a job at the Midway Branch of the Woodford County Library quickly after moving to Midway. Working at the library has been a great way to not only get to know my community, but to be able to serve the people of Midway in a significant way. Since obtaining my Masters in Library Science from the University of Kentucky and becoming Branch Manager in 2015, I have made it a priority to build relationships with local civic groups, churches, schools, businesses and individuals. I believe the city benefits when we collaborate and find common goals.

I am currently a member of the Leadership Woodford County class of 2018. I was selected for this nine month program that provides a forum for community stakeholders to study our county and learn the skills we will need to help promote change, improve our quality of life, and lead. This experience has helped me become more knowledgeable about many aspects of our county and has stimulated my interest in local government. I believe that a great deal is accomplished at a local level that can then ripple out and motivate widespread change.

I feel that I would be a good candidate to fill this vacancy. Council members should represent the demographic of the community they serve. I am a representative of the many young families that are raising their children in Midway. I live in Northridge Estates, have a child at Northside

Elementary and my family and I are members of Midway Christian Church. Furthermore, if chosen to serve on the City Council I would bring a genuine desire to serve the Midway Community. I would like to be a part of maintaining the qualities that make this a wonderful place to live and a proponent of positive and impactful change. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Stacy Thurman

March 13, 2018

To: Mayor Grayson Vandergrift and Midway City Council

From: Leslie Penn

I wish to offer my services as a city council member to replace Libby Warfield until the end of her term. I do not want to run for the office after the term ends. I think I could offer another informed viewpoint on the difficult issues that our council is constantly struggling with as a strong yet growing small town. I also have some selfish reasons in trying to learn more how Midway operates. I am open-minded and I am patient in listening to different opinions.

As for a biography, I graduated from Northwestern University with a major in teaching and minor in music. I taught in New York City for three years but returned to the University of Illinois for a second degree in accounting. I married a native Kentuckian who insisted on moving back here. Bill and I have had a retail store in Midway for twenty-one years. I have participated as an officer in the Midway Fall Festival, Midway Merchants Association, Midway Renaissance, Inc. and Francisco Farm Art Festival, Midway Museum, Inc., and as an elder at Midway Presbyterian Church.

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Midway Council Members,

My name is Miller Benson and I am writing this letter to express my interest in filling the recent vacancy on the Midway city council.

A little bit about me...I am 29 years old and have spent 25 of those years in Midway. I'm the grandson of a former city councilman in Versailles and the son of a former city councilman here in Midway. I have seen firsthand, for most of my upbringing, the impact of civil servants on their communities and would love the opportunity to serve my own - albeit in a shortened capacity.

I grew up in this town and plan to raise a family here. It is deeply important to me to ensure my children benefit from the same (and better) opportunities that our small town has to offer. Midway is a unique place with special challenges and those are not lost on me. I am keenly sympathetic to both the residential and commercial interests of this town as someone who worked in a family owned restaurant in Midway (and later Versailles) for the better part of a decade - I am sensitive to what that struggle looks like. I also know with growth comes questions about how we keep Midway... well, Midway. As a council member I would like to offer a thoughtful voice on the best ways we can foster that balance.

Lastly, I know it's of the interest of the council to find someone to fill this vacancy who does not intend to seek incumbency in the next election. For the sake of transparency, while I am uncomfortable with a declaration that I will not run - I can at least assure I have no intentions to in this next election cycle. If you would like to discuss this further or have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly and thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Miller Benson". The signature is fluid and written in dark ink.

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3-12-18

from: CURT Savage
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To: Midway Mayor

I would like to fill the
vacancy on City Council.
I feel well qualified &
know I can be of service
& will be able to get along
with you & all the other
members.

My back ground includes
going through the chairs
w/ Freestone Tires & Rubber Co
as commercial salesman,
store manager, store supervisor,
District Mgr, Sales Manager "Private
Brands" division.

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As Store Manager, Stores supervisor
& District Mgr. I prepared
and accomplished Quota's,
& stayed within a budget &
made profits. I was very
Successful.

My time as sales manager
in the Private brands division
was spent acquiring large
customers in Manufacturing Plants
ie: Atlas, Farm Bureau, Federated
Dept. stores, Pure Oil Co., and others.
In 1972 I became President
of Commonwealth T & C &
made the Private label brand
"Multi Mile" a well known
commodity in Kentucky.

I have never retired although
I have slowed down since 2010.

Sincerely, Curtis E. Surge

Cynthia Sharon Karrick



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March 12, 2018

Dear Midway City Council Members,

This letter is in response to the call for candidates to complete Libby Warfield's term as a council member.

As my oldest sister Libby realized her cancer was terminal, she asked that I try to complete the remainder of her term. My desire is to honor her wishes. Further, I have no aspiration or intention of running for the next term. My personal schedule will not allow the time I feel would be necessary to be an effective council member for a longer term.

As many of you know, I am a generational citizen of Midway. My husband and I returned after he retired as a Scott County Sheriff Deputy and I retired as a Scott County Teacher several years ago. He stayed retired. I presently work for the Kentucky Department of Revenue. I have stayed aware of the challenges, successes, and issues of concern involving my small hometown through close proximity, family, and friends.

I am convinced that Midway is a small piece of heaven on earth! Council members have an obligation to those who have a stake in the community's long-term future to address the unique challenge of maintaining the small town comfort while balancing what is the most growth our little town has seen.

Much care, thought, study, and compromise is necessary in making decisions that can affect the lives of citizens and the atmosphere of our community. Great demands on a very limited revenue dictate that rules, decisions, and expenditures must be prioritized, constant, and fair. Recent observations provide evidence that this is a main goal of the current Mayor and council members.



I believe no issue is ever black or white. There are always pros and cons to both sides involving decision making especially when done for others.

During my tenure as a teacher; first in Elementary School then as the "coordinator" of the Gifted and Talented Middle School Program in Scott County, I gained useful experience in diplomacy, tact, problem solving, deescalating, being authoritative and motivating others.

Teaching provided a means to gain useful skills. A few include the training of student mentors who were used to mediate arguments, fights, or other problems that often arose. I was chosen to visit Washington and train in how to motivate others. Further, as schools became more aware of need to make students and parents feel comfortable, I became a trainer in Invitational Education a systematic approach to making all aspects of an environment inviting to others. Finally, I became a trainer in QUEST which is a specific method designed and used by Toyota to engage employees in decision and policy making while using effective time management.

I appreciate your time in creating this avenue for interested citizens. Be assured that I would be a knowledgeable, listening, thoughtful, and practical short-term member of the Midway City Council.

Warm regards,



Cynthia Sharon Karrick



Dear Mayor Grayson and City Council Members: Bruce Southworth, John McDaniel, Sara Hicks, Kaye Nita Gallagher, and Steve Simoff

This letter of intent reaches you due to unfortunate circumstances with the passing of Counsel Member Libby Warfield. This letter of intent is to convey my interest and desire to serve the citizens of Midway as an interim council member. I possess many attributes that qualify me for this position. First and foremost as a father of two young children I feel it is my responsibility to try to better our community for the following generation. As a Midwegian who attended Midway Elementary, I appreciate the vision in which John Francisco enabled the foot print for the city of Midway. As an owner of a Lehman home on the National Historical Register and a student of architecture, I have an appreciation for the historical perseverance of our great community. As a former thoroughbred farm manager and farrier for many years, I have a unique passion and connection to the agriculture in this area. I recognize and appreciate the sheer value and importance which such signature businesses can bring to our community. The horse industry and my personal equine experience has presented me with many opportunities to work and communicate with all walks of life, from owners of prestigious race horses to the owners of priceless 4-H ponies. As a graduate of Bluegrass Community and Technical College, I obtained an applied science degree in Architecture with a graduating GPA of 3.5. My educational and office skills are in areas such as: revit, autocad, spec writing, estimating, plan review, and building codes. Along with these skills I have field experiences that are of inestimable worth when communicating to the general public and real world due to my work history. My construction background comes from my grandfather, a former builder / developer and my own freelance projects which were a lead to my professional career. Having the opportunity to serve the public at the Department of Housing Buildings and Construction and currently with Georgetown / Scott County Building Inspection, I have been able to excel working in complex territories such as Fayette, Woodford, Scott, and Bourbon Counties, with many steep projects including some of Kentucky's largest manufacturing facilities and structures in excess of 11 stories. My career has led me to the center point of many decisions with design professionals and contractors. I have been able to donate some of my skills and time to organizations involved in my community such as The Kentucky Equine Humane Center and Habitat for Humanity. I have worked diligently on many projects for personal clients ranging from the simplest run-in shed for horses to the most complex structures in excess of a million square feet, all while never losing focus on family and personal goals. I have excellent core values, an impeccable work ethic with a professional disposition instilled in me by the mentors in my environment. These are assets that are proven to be valuable in providing a clear voice for the citizens of Midway. Please consider this letter of intent as sincere proposal to fill council member Libby Warfield's position. Please feel free to contact me to discuss any concerns or questions which may be presented.

With Gratitude and Respect,

Mark Pitzer