

Answers to the Beacon News Candidate Questionnaire (February 2008 Primary Election) :

- 1) I want to continue to help in whatever way I can.
- 2) Yes, I see the Parkway as an essential part of long range transportation planning for the county.
- 3) I don't think we should change our solid waste plan at this time.
- 4) I don't care one way or the other.
- 5) Whose going to be available?
- 6) If population increases and/or workload increases warrant it, yes - but the slowdown in growth might not make the positions necessary at this time.
- 7) We should definitely share planning goals, pathways and open space continuity, G.I.S. mapping, and transportation plans.
- 8) I chair the committee; I think things are progressing well.
- 9) Fran Klass, the County Engineer, has done a great job with our long range transportation plan.
It is reviewed and resubmitted to the state every year.
- 10) I think we've got a good handle on our infrastructure needs for the future. We'd all like to have more of an industry tax base, but most of that will come from within the municipalities. The pace of development has obviously slowed due to the downturn in the economy. However, the quality of the developments with their clustered housing and open space is something I, as a board member, am very proud of.
- 11) Funding for farmland protection is something we need to look at in the future as funding is available through federal programs. As far as forest preserve land, I am very proud of the voters that approved our referendum, and the Board for its long hours in selecting several beautiful sights throughout the county. there is still more work to be done!
- 12) The Board needs to pay close attention to the current economies of our country. To assist residents in whatever ways are available, and to show fiscal responsibility during these trying times.