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Born and raised in Clermont New York, I grew up on a small family farm on Lasher Road. I am running for town board because I believe there is a growing realization that government is not the answer for the problems facing our country. I wish to do what I can on a local level to propagate ideas of freedom and minimize government interference.

Education and work

I was home-schooled through 10th grade. I then entered Dutchess Community College and pursued a 2 year degree in computer science graduating in 2001. I continued that course of study at SUNY New Paltz and graduated with my BA in computer science in 2004. Since then I have been working at IBM in Poughkeepsie as a software engineer.

Over the past two years I have become interested in economics, free-market theory, and limited government. I have been educating myself in these areas taking classes through community college and online. I believe a well-grounded understanding of economic thinking is necessary in local government. Without such understanding, members of government will be dangerously unaware of the costs of their decisions.

Interests and hobbies

Computers and technology, economics, science fiction, hunting, basic carpentry

Volunteer experience

When I was 16 I volunteered for a month in a Guatemalan orphanage, helping paint new dormitories. In 2003 I took off one semester from college to help a missionary on the Texas/Mexico border.