

COMMITTEE FOR COUNTY PROGRESS
QUESTION RESPONSES FOR JACKSON COUNTY SHERIFF

Candidate: Tom Krahenbuhl

Committee Name: Citizens for Tom Krahenbuhl

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Treasurer: Mary Ann Swisher

Education: High School-Van Horn, College-BS Business Administration-Trinity University

Current Employer: Jackson County, Missouri- Stormwater & Building Codes Administrator

Jackson County Sheriff's Department-Reserve Deputy Sheriff

Civic Activities:

- President Missouri Floodplain & Stormwater Manager Assoc.
- Co-Chair, Stormwater Committee, Nat'l Assoc Floodplain Managers
- Fox 4 - Love Fund Horse Show Committee Co-Chairman
- President, John Calvin Manor Retirement Center, Lee's Summit, Mo
- Committee member, Lee's Summit, R-7 District, Citizens Advisory Committee
- Former Board Member, Lee's Summit Parks & Recreation, Beautification Comm.
- Past Chairman, Lee's Summit R-7 Cost Containment, Administrative Committee
- 2007 President Blue Springs Shrine Club
- Missouri State Fair Society Horse Show Official, 9 years
- President, 4-terms, M.R.S. Building Club, Inc.
- 2 Terms, Vice-President, Saddle Inc.
- Two term as President of Lee's Summit Masonic Lodge #263
- Four Terms, President, Masonic Building Board
- Former Lancer Kansas City Royals Baseball Club

Previous elective office sought: Alderman, Lee's Summit, MO

School Board, Lee's Summit, MO

Anticipated Campaign Budget: \$50,000

1.

What policies would you set for your deputies to assist undocumented immigrant victims of domestic violence?

Answer:

Upon arrest they would be incarcerated in the county jail for domestic violence. INS would be contacted and advised of the issues at hand.

2.

DO the demographics of the Jackson County Sheriff's Department reflect those of the changing community of Jackson County?

Answer:

Yes, having worked in the development community at the county level for the past 9 years and as a reserve deputy, I am directly aware of how the county had developed and what the makeup of it consists of.

3.

What kind of cultural and/or sensitivity training would you provide your officers for dealing with non-English residents of Jackson County?

Answer:

I would provide additional training in foreign language that meets the needs of our community. I would further provide education that goes further and gets into the different cultural practices so that we can be more understanding as to why some cultures do what they do and thereby understanding how to more appropriately handle situations that are not part of our customs or traditions.

4.

So you support the right of public employees to collectively bargain?

Answer:

I do support the right of collective bargaining, as this can provide an open dialogue as to how we may improve the moral of our employees and in turn

provide a better professionalism in carrying out our duties. It is further highly likely that many of the items of agreement should be taken one step further and become part of the department's policy.

5.

Do you support a woman's lawful right to choose to terminate a pregnancy?

Answer:

If we in Law Enforcement are truly doing our job as Law Enforcement Officials we do not interject our personal beliefs. We are to uphold the law as written without predigests.

6.

What is the most challenging issue facing the Democrats today?

Answer:

The economy. People/families losing their homes, outrageous gas prices.

7.

What role, if any, does faith play for elected officials?

Answer:

As we have recently heard from the presidential elections it can play a very big role. But here again If we in Law Enforcement are truly doing our job as Law Enforcement Officials we do not interject our personal beliefs. We are to uphold the law as written without predigests.

8.

What can democrats do to stem the erosion of support from labor unions? From suburban and rural communities?

Answer:

Stop the constant internal bickering and start working together. People as a whole are tired of the constant negatives. They want to see our elected officials start taking care of business and getting this country back in the right direction.

9.

Do you or have you ever supported placing limits on a woman's right to choose?

Answer:

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10.

Have you ever endorsed a Republican for office? Yes or No.

Answer:

Yes, Robert Thane Johnson and Robert Spence.

11.

Do you or have you ever support right to work laws?

Answer:

Yes

12.

Do you or have you ever supported the right of public employees to collectively bargain?

Answer:

Yes, during the 16 years as in full time law enforcement.

Top Three Priorities when elected

1. Take what ever action needed to revamp the communications system.
2. Review the current policies and procedures and make deletions, additions and /or corrections as needed that will allow all personnel to do the job for which they were hired to do.

3. Re-evaluate the way the department is set up and realign where needed.

All of these and more will be done with the input from the membership of the department.