

Candidate Statement

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Work History or related experience:

Municipal Administration from 1996–present. I’ve worked as a Town Administrator in Colrain, Southampton, Orange, Deerfield, and Hopedale, MA and served as Finance Director for City of Greenfield, where I managed a \$61 million budget and over 1000 donation, grant + trust funds and \$90 million in debt service. In July, I returned to Colrain where I started.

Describe what you know about the role of a board member:

Review actuaries; vote on retirements, periodically review COLA base and investments. Review and vote annual budget for system operations and staff. Review audits and financial management strategies for better revenue generation and cost savings. Work with others to ensure a healthy retirement system for the long-term.

Explain your interest in serving as a board member:

I have a strong background in financial management and experience effectively managing resources and generating revenue. I've worked with numerous Boards/Committees over my career. I've worked with several members of the current Board and look forward to being able to contribute to the success of the system, while bringing fresh perspective and skills to assist.